

DALLAS COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH HOUSING WORK GROUP
Dallas County Administration – 500 Elm Street, Ceremonial Conference Room, 6th Floor, Dallas Texas
June 26, 2024, 10:00-11:30am

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1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Reports

a. Governance – Commissioner Theresa Daniel

- Approval of May 22, 2024, minutes
- Dallas Area Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness
- Dallas County Citizen Committee
- Federal & State legislative environment

b. Resources – services, programs, people, funds

- Shelter Discussions
- NTBHA
- Housing Navigator / Homeless Jail Dashboard/St Jude Center
- Housing Authority Report- DHA/DCHA
- ARPA Update

c. Projects and Industry Updates

- Housing Forward updates
- Pretrial Diversion and MH screening
- Dallas Connector
- Homeward Bound, Crisis Residential & Respite Services, Deflection Center
- Youth Housing
- Family Housing
- Mattingly Report

3. Next Meeting July 24, 2024

Dallas County Administration, 500 Elm Street, 7th Floor, Dallas Texas 75202

May 22, 2024 Minutes

Mission Statement: The Dallas County Behavioral Health Housing Work Group (DCBHWG), with diverse representation, will formulate recommendations on the creation of housing and housing related support services designed to safely divert members of special populations in crisis away from frequent utilization of expensive and sometimes unnecessary inpatient stays, emergency department visits and incarceration.

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ATTENDEES: Dr. Theresa Daniel, Dallas County Commissioner; Erin Moore, Dallas County; Laura Edmons, DCCJ; Latoya Jenkins, Dallas County; Quincy McKinnon, Metrocare; Tzeggabhran Kidane, Dallas County; Tom Ervin, Dallas County; Janie Metzinger, NTBHA; Eric McCarty, NTBHA; Kimberly Onofre, Mesquite Sharing Life; Lisa Marshall, Fighting Homelessness; Jim Mattingly, LumaCorp; David Gruber, Housing Forward; Larry Gordon, Downtown Dallas Inc.; Trey Wisely, DC IT;

Dr. Daniel opened the meeting and attendees introduced themselves.

CALL TO ORDER: The minutes were approved with no changes.

GOVERNANCE

Dallas Area Partnership to End and Prevent Homelessness: Commissioner Theresa Daniel, Dallas County
Commissioner Daniel reported that over the last few years major strides have been made in the housing/homeless arena and now more than ever, organizations are now talking to one another about the services provided. Jim Mattingly pointed out that with the injection of funding into the organizations as a result of Covid, we are seeing a downward trend of homelessness within Dallas and Collin counties. In other parts of the country, housing and homelessness issues are trending upward. David Gruber described the Covid funding as a “once in a generation” type of funding and he reported that if organizations did not factor in sustainability, homeless numbers would begin to increase again.

Dallas County Homeless Advisory Committee: Erin Moore, Dallas County

Erin Moore reported that the committee has continued to meet and review eviction prevention data. They are also continuing to monitor the issues of RSV, Covid-19, and influenza in the shelters. The analysis of the individual cost of homelessness in Dallas County is also ongoing and they are gathering data to provide a holistic view of the cost of an individual being homeless versus those who are housed. Commissioner Daniel reported that there are a few different organizations trying to calculate the cost from their vantage point. There was also discussion of how the criminal justice department calculates homelessness and the impact it has on the jail population.

Federal and State Legislative Update: Janie Metzinger, NTBHA

Janie Metzinger stated that interim charges have finally been set. The senate started their hearings two weeks ago. One of the senate hearings is focusing on veteran services and having a more centralized database that will allow veterans easier access to connect to services including housing. Another topic of note is the House Youth and Safety area. They are exploring youth behavioral health services and are looking at children that are at an increased risk of becoming involved in the foster care or juvenile justice system. Janie stated that she will be attending the hearings to determine if any substantial information regarding housing will be mentioned.

Commissioner Daniel stated that information has been released that veteran services throughout Dallas County and HUD have reported that they are able to house all veterans within Dallas County. This has also sparked conversation about affordable housing in the area. There was conversation about the incoming state mental health hospitals and the renovations and construction of the programming surrounding them.

RESOURCES

Shelter Discussions: Daniel Roby, Austin Street Shelter

Daniel Roby was unavailable for the meeting and will provide a report for the next meeting. Lisa Marshall reported that

most of the shelters are full and are not accepting referrals.

NTBHA: Eric McCarty, NTBHA

Eric McCarty reported that not a lot has changed with their housing programs, the TBRA (Tenant Based Rental Assistant) program and their Covid-19 supplemental grant. The TBRA program may have some funding come mid-June that will be able to assist those who have disabilities and are within Dallas County. They have been exploring the thought of opening their waitlist, but it would only assist those in the outlying counties. There is \$8.3 million available in that program, but individuals would only be assisted if they live in Addison, Richardson, DeSoto, and Rowlett within Dallas County. These cities don't necessarily require the disabled condition, but an individual must be able to meet the income requirements to receive the funding. It was reported that these cities are able to receive these placements because they do not have their own housing authority. NTBHA has deemed not to open their waitlist since doing so would not be able to assist the specific population that they serve.

Housing Navigator: Laura Edmonds, Dallas County

Laura Edmonds stated that the report is in the packet. She also reported the FUSE partners are working to adjust the program with regard to how reporting will be done going forward and they are wanting the report to be reformatted. There was a question of who the FUSE partners are, and Laura reported they are Austin Street, The Bridge, Salvation Army, Homeward Bound, Parkland and NTBHA. Kimberly Rawls is also working to fill one vacancy with St. Jude, and she is also continuously working on the grant programs.

Homeless Jail Dashboard: Laura Edmonds, Dallas County

Jim Mattingly asked about the 10 percent increase in the suspected mental health jail book-ins over the last three months and what is attributed to the increase. Laura reported that the general jail book-ins have been steadily increasing and that is a contributor to the increase mental health book-ins. She also clarified that when a person is booked into the jail, the "suspected mental health" flag is a broad net and depending on the type of offense that is committed, the flag can be indicated. Laura stated that she would do some more research about some of the contributing factors to the increase of the book-ins and bring the findings to the next meeting.

Housing Authority Report: Thomas Lewis, Dallas County HHS

Thomas Lewis was unavailable for the meeting but provided a report that is located in the meeting packet. There was some discussion regarding the housing choice vouchers that the Dallas County Housing department are allocating. Eric McCarthy mentioned that the requirements and criteria to meet the guidelines to obtain the vouchers can be very specific to meet and complete. Lisa Marshall commented that there are 27 permanent supportive housing vouchers available for children who are aging out of foster care in addition to the 100 vouchers that are allocated for adults.

ARPA Update: Commissioner Daniel, Dallas County

Commissioner Daniel reported that all of the ARPA funding has been allocated and now evaluation is being done to determine what has not been spent and if and how it can be re-allocated.

PROJECTS AND INDUSTRY UPDATES

Housing Forward updates: David Gruber, Housing Forward

David Gruber reported that Housing Forward had their State of Homelessness Address in which they reported they have had a 19 percent reduction in overall homelessness and a 24 percent reduction in unsheltered homelessness since their system transformation in 2021. They have had their lowest Point-In-Time (PIT) count in the last 10 years and double digit decrease in sub populations. The belief is that the strategies and methods are working to house those homeless neighbors and they are lowering the number of homeless in the area. They are in the process of doubling down their methods with specific focus on unsheltered homelessness. They are perfecting their street-to-home approach (encampment decommissioning). This 6-8 week process involves selecting the encampment and bringing the necessary resources for those to be housed to the encampment and by the end of the process, 95 percent of the neighbors are in housing. Not they have set their goal to decrease homelessness by 50 percent for the 2026 PIT count. . In order to continue the work at the current pace, this will require a \$30 million investment. They have a \$10 million federal investment, they will probably need a \$10 million local government investment, and they will have to raise a \$10 million in private funds.

There was a question about the cause of the racial disparity for the number of African Americans who experience homelessness that was highlighted in the Housing Forward summary. David answered that there are many factors that contribute to the high number of African Americans experiencing homelessness including but not limited to decades of oppression. He also expressed that race is a major factor that they are constantly addressing. There were also talks about the Latino population here in Dallas County and a mention was made of the "Hispanic Paradox"(higher poverty rate and

lower homelessness). David stated more information would be given to the group at the next meeting.

Pretrial Diversion and Mental Health Screening: Laura Edmonds, Dallas County

Laura Edmonds provided a report that is available in the meeting packet for review.

Dallas Connector: Dustin Perkins, Austin Street

Dustin Perkins was unavailable for the meeting and will provide an update at the next meeting.

Homeward Bound: Doug Denton, Homeward Bound

Doug Denton was unavailable for the meeting and a report was provided in the packet for review.

Youth Housing: Leah Williams, Housing Forward

Leah Williams was unavailable for the meeting and a report was provided in the packet.

Family Housing: Ellen Magnis, Family Gateway

Ellen Magnis was unavailable for the meeting and a report will be provided at the next meeting.

Mattingly Report: Jim Mattingly, Lumacorp

Jim Mattingly provided a report and stated that rental prices have slightly decreased, 1.7 percent over 12 months, due to the large amount of apartments being delivered in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area. He also stated that occupancies are down 1.2 percent and the number of apartments being leased are well below the number of units that are coming online. 10,000 new apartments are becoming available each quarter with only 10 percent being leased. Many apartments are still under construction, so this will be the trend over the next 7-8 months. Population growth in the area is the primary cause and this will be the trend for the next 6-8 quarters. Renters won't be facing the same amount of increases they have in the past and the rental prices will actually be in their favor for the next couple of years. There will be a significant decrease in the number of units becoming available in the next 2.5 years. Jim also reported that of the 13 newly constructed apartments, 2, 510 units are available with only 32.3 percent occupied. The average effective rent is \$1,249.00 which is \$300.00 per unit less than the average market rent. Lisa Marshall stated that some of the vouchers won't cover the cost of the rent, and this led to the conclusion that the vouchers aren't being adjusted to the price of market rent. There was a question asked about how the market has been inflated to its current level to where older complexes, who were once affordable, are now increasing their rental amounts to match the market. Jim answered that two factors need to be considered when studying this inflation; 1. Occupancy was very tight when the increases started, and, 2. A lot of money was available. This was due to a few things including people not moving during the pandemic, delays in evictions, and renters having access to additional funding to pay the rent. These factors drove up the rental price. Currently we are moving from a supply imbalance to an over-supply of units.

The meeting was adjourned with words of motivation by staying engaged and informed by Dr. Daniel.

Next Meeting: June 26, 2024



DCHHS EVICTION DIVERSION PROGRAM (EDP)

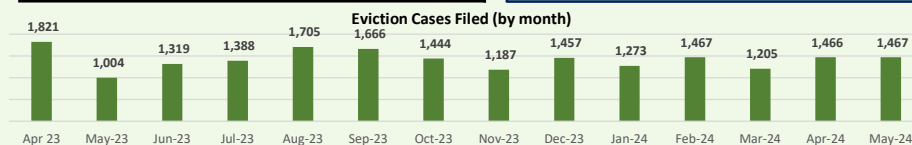
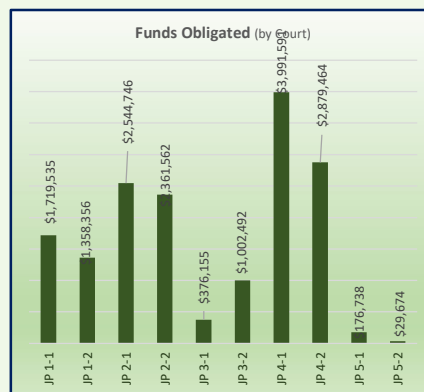
DATA ANALYSIS REPORT

(As of 06/14/2024)

	Cumulative Assistance
Pre-Eviction Diversion Interventions	806
Pre-Eviction Diversions Eligible/Approved	281
Funds Obligated (Pre-EDP)	\$1,743,999
Total Eviction Cases Filed	45,088
Interventions Provided by Navigators	12,620
Eviction Diversions Completed/In Process	2,543
Eviction Appeal Cash Bond Assistance	11
Funds Obligated (EDP)	\$16,454,609

Eviction Diversion Details					
JP Courts	Eviction Cases	Evictions Ordered	Persons Assisted by Navigators and Percent	Approved Cases	Eviction Diversions Pending/ Process
JP 1-1	5,507	data not available	1,516 (27.5%)	268	1
JP 1-2	3,373		1,228 (36.4%)	221	
JP 2-1	6,888		1,260 (18.3%)	417	1
JP 2-2	8,128		2,056 (25.3%)	410	
JP 3-1	1,616		414 (25.6%)	53	
JP 3-2	1,630		756 (46.4%)	143	
JP 4-1	9,875		3,110 (31.5%)	536	2
JP 4-2	6,169		1,841 (29.8%)	453	
JP 5-1	1,852		414 (22.4%)	32	
JP 5-2	50		25	6	
TOTAL	45,088		12,620 (28.0%)	2,539	4

Funds Obligated and Clients Assisted Data			
JP Courts	Funds	Clients	Average
JP 1-1	\$ 1,719,535	268	\$ 6,416
JP 1-2	\$ 1,358,356	221	\$ 6,146
JP 2-1	\$ 2,544,746	417	\$ 6,103
JP 2-2	\$ 2,361,562	410	\$ 5,760
JP 3-1	\$ 376,155	53	\$ 7,097
JP 3-2	\$ 1,002,492	143	\$ 7,010
JP 4-1	\$ 3,991,591	536	\$ 7,447
JP 4-2	\$ 2,879,464	453	\$ 6,356
JP 5-1	\$ 176,738	32	\$ 5,523
JP 5-2	\$ 29,674	6	\$ 4,946
TOTAL	\$ 16,440,312	2539	\$ 6,475



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88TH Texas Legislature—Interim Hearings
Texas Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs
Interim Hearing on Veterans' Mental Health
June 21, 2024

Link to Hearing: https://tlcsenate.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=54&clip_id=18503

Interim Charge 1: Veteran Mental Health

- Review current programs that provide direct and indirect mental health services to veterans in Texas.
- Identify barriers to accessing mental health resources for rural veterans.
- Make recommendations to improve access to mental health support for all veterans.

Invited Testimony

Blake Harris, Ph.D., Director, Veterans Mental Health Department, Texas Veterans Commission

- Current Services:
 - Connection with community resources, training, certification, technical assistance.
 - Suicide prevention, safety planning, crisis intervention, and postvention.
 - Services for PTSD, moral injury, military sexual trauma, homelessness.
 - Focus on women veterans, rural veterans, justice-involved veterans, and gatekeepers.
 - TVC uses a broad definition of veteran (“Did you serve in the military?”).
 - Outreach efforts: Texans Ask campaign, Buddy Check Day, Veteran Caregiver Guide.
- Barriers—Shortages of personnel and services
 - Suicide rates are increasing. Need more suicide prevention, crisis intervention, postvention.
 - Mental Health First Aid for Veterans, especially in criminal justice and homeless services.
 - Community-based support services, military/veteran cultural competence.
 - Peer-based services.
 - Many rural areas still have dial-up internet, which can be a barrier for telehealth.
 - Mental health professional workforce shortages.

Melissa Harcrow-Women Veterans Coordinator-West Texas, Texas Veterans Commission

- Biennial Women Veterans Report due November 1, 2024.
- One in three women enrolled in VA have experienced military Sexual Trauma (MST)
- MST contributes to PTSD, suicidality.
- Women veteran suicide rate is 2.5 times the rate of civilian female counterparts.
- Women veterans are twice as likely to attempt suicide as male veterans.
- In El Paso County,
 - VA has behavioral health clinic and women veterans support groups,
 - TVC has PTSD services, navigation services, peer services, and support groups for MST.
 - Need for a stand-alone, women-only MST services center, inpatient, outpatient and community support services, wraparound services, child care.
 - Only dedicated women veteran’s program in the US.
- Texas has the largest number of veterans and the largest number of women veterans.
- Private providers often do not have military/veteran cultural competence, or trauma competence.

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Tim Keesling-Director, Office of Veterans Affairs- Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Office of Veteran Service Coordination

<https://www.hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files/documents/presentation-senate-committee-veterans-affairs.pdf>

- Internal Coordination—within HHSC
 - Focus on veterans and members of the armed services across HHSC.
 - Align policy and practice.
 - Increase awareness and access to services.
- External Coordination-with non-HHSC partners
 - State agencies.
 - U.S. Departments of Veterans Affairs (VA), Defense (DoD), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and Administration for Community Living.
- Increase in reporting of mental health concerns indicates increase awareness, willingness to seek help.
- TVC is working with CCBHCs to develop continuity of care agreements between VA facilities and CCBHCs.

George McEntyre-Director, Office of Mental Health Coordination-HHSC
Veterans Mental Health Services Department

- Texas Veterans + Family Alliance Grant Program
 - Authorized by in 84th Texas Legislature SB 55 (Nelson) Texas Government Code 531.0992.
 - Matching grant program
 - For mental health services and services coordination for veterans and their families.
 - Services include: Evidence-based therapies and treatment, peer support services, counselling, SUD services, suicide prevention, case management, system navigation, referrals.
 - Program has awarded over \$86 million in state funding to 75 projects serving over 70,000 Texas veterans and their families.
- Mental Health Program for Veterans
 - Authorized by 84th Texas Legislature in HB 19 (S. King and Burkett).
 - Jointly administered by Texas Veterans Commission and HHSC, offers:
 - Peer-to-Peer counseling and access to licensed mental health professionals,
 - Suicide prevention training for peers, providers, community and faith-based groups.
 - Jail diversion services.
 - Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for Veterans.
 - Two Primary Components
 - Peer Service Coordinators have annually served approximately:
40,000 members of the US armed services and
8,000 veteran family members
 - Rural Veterans Counselors-Licensed Mental Health Professionals in rural areas have annually served approximately 354 members of the US armed services, veterans and family members with 866 clinical services.
- TVC has reached out to Brooks Army Medical Center Mental Health Department to begin a program for TVC to develop a continuum of care program for discharging members of the Army, to address the high-risk window of time one-to two-years after discharge.

Interim Charge 2: Support Service Database for Texas Veterans

- Review and report on the progress toward the creation of a single database to facilitate the seamless provision of veteran benefits by state agencies.
- Make recommendations to improve coordination among state, federal, and local agencies and others that provide services to veterans.

Invited Testimony

Thomas Palladino, Executive Director, Texas Veterans Commission

- Texas has the largest veterans population in the United States at 1.5 million veterans, including the largest number of women veterans at over 200,000.
- Texas currently has Texas Veterans Network, a statewide veterans referral system to provide veterans with information regarding local services.
- US Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs recently began sharing additional information regarding transitioning veterans to the states.

Recommendations

- Texas needs a data management system to access this data to provide information to transitioning veterans and their families.
- Recommended use of US Department of Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) to provide information to transitioning members of the armed forces and their families.
- Recommended use of Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, Texas Workforce Commission, and county data to identify veterans that might be in need of specific services.
- Cost estimates for an interactive system are in the range of \$500,000 to \$800,000.

Charge 3: Strengthen Support for Veteran Housing

- Study the accessibility and affordability of veteran housing.
- Identify factors that contribute to veteran homelessness.
- Determine whether the Veterans Land Board has the tools necessary to maximize their assistance to eligible borrowers in home lending.
- Make recommendations to update the state standards related to veteran home loans and housing.

Invited Testimony

Blake Harris Ph.D., Licensed Clinical Forensic Psychologist Director, Veterans Mental Health Dept., Texas Veterans Commission

TVC works closely with US Department of Veterans Affairs, Texas Workforce Commission, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Texas Veterans Land Board, Texas Homeless Network, Health and Human Services Coordinating Council, Texas Veterans Peer Network, Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless and other stakeholders.

Recommendations:

- Amend Texas Government Code 434 authorizing Texas Veterans Commission Mental Health Department, to add Homeless Veteran Program, currently funded by COVID-19 funds, which expire in August 2024.
- Senator Tan Parker mentioned that he recently visited a development of tiny homes for veterans in Kansas City. Dr. Harris emphasized the need for support services including behavioral health.
- Expand data sharing statewide.

Tony Dale, Executive Secretary, Texas Veterans Land Board

- TVLB is a self-sustaining state agency.
- Texas is well-known nationwide as a veteran-friendly state.
- TVLB works with private sector real estate loan originators to provide long-term low interest land loans to Texas veterans.
- TVLB issues bonds to purchase bonds from originators.
- A 2009 Constitutional amendment capped TVLB bond capacity at \$4 billion.
- The inflation rate since 2009 has been a cumulative 45 percent, decreasing the number of veterans that the TVLB can help.
- The bond rate has been increased thirteen times since its inception in 1946, but has not increased in the last 23 years.
- In 2009, the median home price was \$132,000. Now it is \$314,000.
- Today TVLB would need bond capacity of \$5.8 billion to stay level with 2009.
- TVLB operates nine (building a tenth) Texas Veterans Homes, skilled nursing homes. However, validation of qualification for admission could be daunting for a homeless, disabled, or elderly veteran. More coordination with VA, federal government needed to streamline the process.

Jean Latsha-Texas Affiliation of Affordable Housing Providers

- Texas Affiliation of Affordable Housing Providers does not yet have policy recommendations.
- Remove barriers for affordable housing developers trying to implement affordable housing programs.





FUSE Data

- Please refer to the attached FUSE data.

St. Jude Project

2920 Forest Ln, Dallas, TX 75234	104 Units	Dallas County has 13 allocated beds	Housing is for Seniors +55 years old
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- We are working to fill one vacancy.

Housing Services for Homeless Criminal Justice-Involved Clients (HSH-CJC) Grant

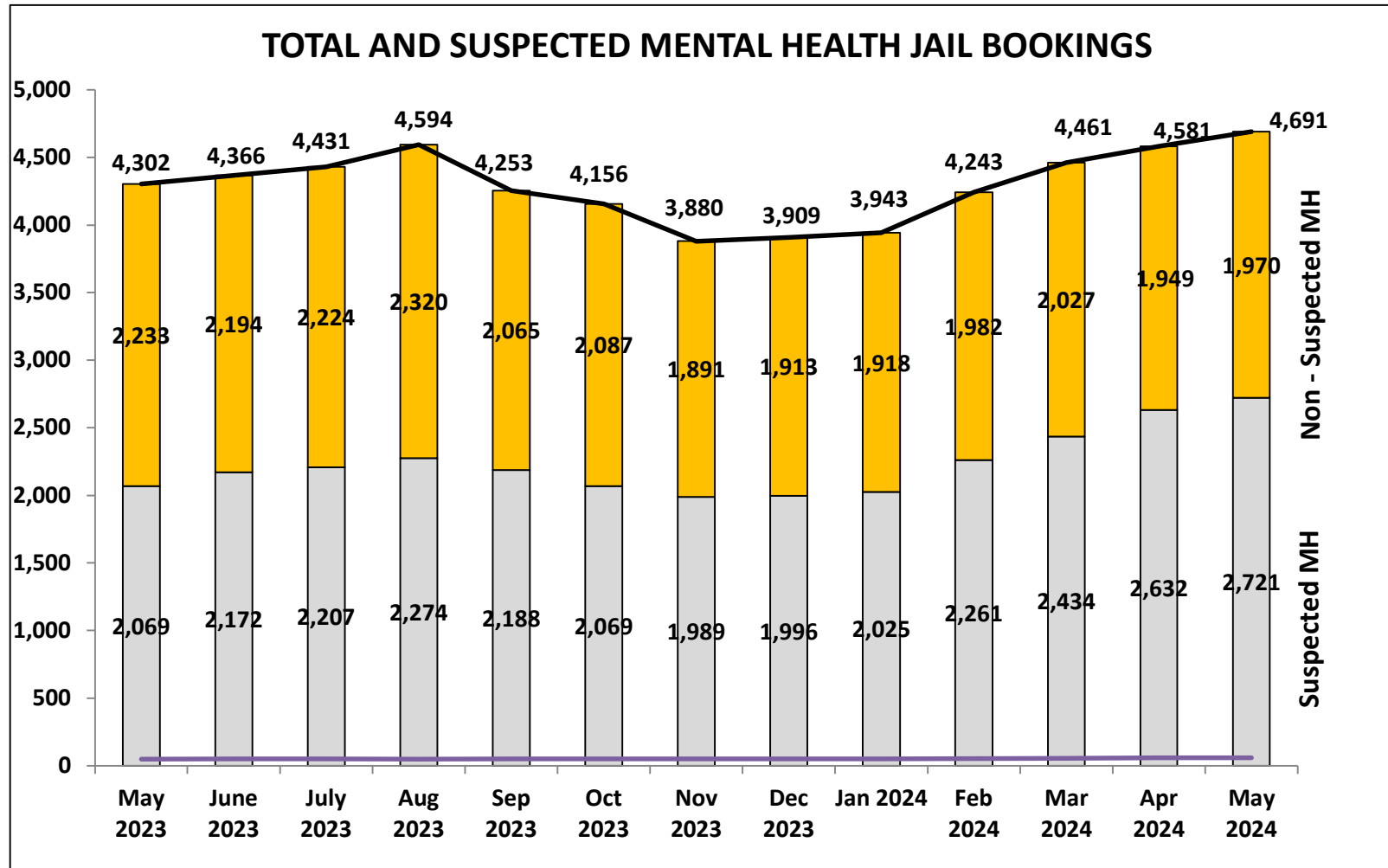
- I met with the CSG Tech team last Thursday, June 20, 2024. I have completed all the corrections and will adjust some of the vendor payouts for them to review. Once approved, the CSG Tech team will review and send them to the BJA for final approval.
- They informed me that the deliverable approval process is long, and we are on track to completing the deliverables to send to the BJA.
- After the final draft has been approved by the BJA, the Criminal Justice Department (CJD) can finalize the procurement bidding process with the Dallas County Procurement department.

Dallas Connector Project (DCP) Dallas County Client Utilization (Transport to the NTBHA LR from the Jail and or the LR to the FUSE Shelters)

The NTBHA Livingroom (LR) Staff conducted jail releases for individuals going to the Livingroom and Austin Street's report would contain the May 2024 jail data.

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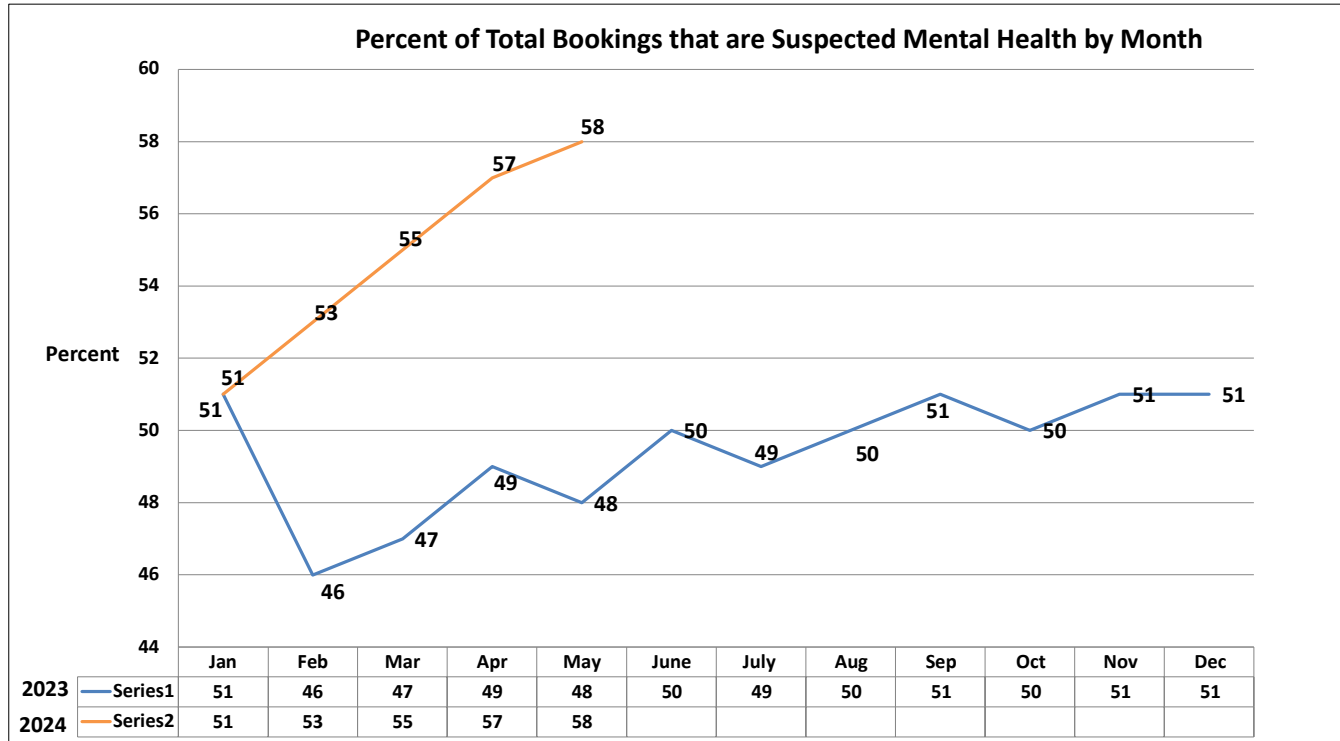
May 2024 Homeless Report Snapshot



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Month-to-Month Category Total Differences

Months	Total Monthly Bookins	Total Suspected MH Bookins
Apr 2024 to May 2024	4581 to 4691 - Increase 110	2632 to 2721 - Increase 89



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Homeless Breakdown and Avg LOS - Apr 2024 to May 2024

Month/Yr	Category	Total Bookings	Percent	Percent Note
Apr 2024	Suspected MH	2,632	59%	% of total bookings [4581]
	Homeless	614	14%	% of total bookings [4581]
	Homeless w/Suspected MH flag	455	74%	% of total homeless [614]

Month/Yr	Category	Total Bookings	Percent	Percent Note
May 2024	Suspected MH	2,721	58%	% of total bookings [4691]
	Homeless	673	14%	% of total bookings [4691]
	Homeless w/Suspected MH flag	511	76%	% of total homeless [673]

Month/Yr	Avg LOS Total Bookings [days]	Avg LOS Homeless Bookings [days]
Apr 2024	7	10
May 2024	7	10

Monthly Homeless Expense

- Count of May 2024 Unsheltered Bookins = **673** (673 of 4691 = 14% of total May Bookins)
- ALOS for all May unsheltered **673** bookins as of 6/10/24 = **15** (15*\$85.13(Daily Jail Bed rate) = \$1276.95 per Individual)
- As of 6/10/24, Total number of Unsheltered Releases = **345**
- Average Length of Stay (ALOS) for the **345** releases = **6** (6*\$85.13(Daily Jail Bed rate) = \$510.78 per Individual)
- Below are the top 6 offense categories for the **673** May Unsheltered.

Offenses	Count of BookInNo
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	106
POSS CS PG 1/1-B <1G	89
Holds	50
FAIL TO IDENTIFY FUGITIVE INTENT GIVE FALSE INFO	22
AGG ASSAULT W/DEADLY WEAPON	20
POSS CS PG 1/1-B >=1G<4G	16

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Homeless Primary Offense Categories - Apr 2024 to May 2024

Offense Categories	Apr 2024 total	Apr 2024 %	May 2024 total	Apr 2024 %	MTD
Arson	2	0.3%	3	0.4%	
Assaultive	47	7.7%	57	8.5%	10 Increased
Burglary	30	4.9%	23	3.4%	
Criminal Mischief	15	2.4%	13	1.9%	
Criminal Trespass	93	15.1%	118	17.5%	25 Increased
Drug/Alcohol	163	26.5%	181	26.9%	18 Increased
Evading	20	3.3%	18	2.7%	
False Info/Fail to Identify	28	4.6%	40	5.9%	12 Increased
Fraud	13	2.1%	8	1.2%	
HOLDS	53	8.6%	60	8.9%	
Murder	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	
Other	45	7.3%	61	9.1%	16 Increased
Prostitution	1	0.2%	2	0.3%	
Resist	15	2.4%	7	1.0%	
Robbery	15	2.4%	15	2.2%	
Sexual Offense	9	1.5%	13	1.9%	
Theft	49	8.0%	45	6.7%	
UUMV	15	2.4%	9	1.3%	
TOTAL	614	100.0%	673	100.0%	

HOLDS: Citation/Tickets, Insufficient Bonds/Insufficient Bond Warrants, External Holds (Transfer to another county), and Parole Violations

Other: Offense categories with one or two charge occurrences of monthly bookin totals (i.e. Terrorist Threats, Child Endangerment, Stalking, etc.)

UUMV: Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle (i.e. Joyriding)

Month-to-Month Category Total Differences

= MTD by +/- 10 bookins

FUSE DATA FY 2023-2024

12 MONTH

Category Item	May												
Total Clients Screened for FUSE	120												
Referral Source													
Jail FUSE Navigator Screening	0												
Pretrial Referral	15												
Defense Attorney Referral	11												
Shelter/Parkland Hospital Street FUSE Navigator Referral	7												
NTBHA Living Room Referral	4												
Dallas Deflection Center	40												
Probation/CSCD	3												
Other Referral Source (Adapt, Community Partners, etc.)	40												
Interview Outcomes													
Client Refused to be interviewed or Participate	5												
Client reported not being Unsheltered	3												
Unavailable to Interview	25												
Pending Interview	0												
Other Outcome Categories (*See Below)	72												
Total Released from Jail to FUSE	15												
Shelter Connection Rate													
Austin Street Center	3												
The Bridge	6												
Salvation Army	3												
Other Local Shelter, Boarding Homes, & Shelter Ref's	3												
No Response	0												
Left Before Entering Program/Did Not Connect	4												
Housed	0												
Housing Priority List, Info sent to Housing Forward, or Reunited w/Family	2												

***Other Categories:** Released to Another Program or Agency, Boarding Home Placement, Referral Banned from Shelter, Client didn't qualify for FUSE, Immigration Hold, Released (i.e. Posted Bond), Referred by Shelters/Street Outreach, FUSE bond denied, Waiting on info, Sex Offender, Not in AIS, Waiting on Bond to Post, and Pending attorney response & etc.

Youth Update
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- Rep. Watson Coleman (NJ-12) has introduced the Homes for Young Adults Act of 2024, which "would create a new entitlement under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 – the Housing Choice Voucher program – specifically targeted at young people who are unstably housed or experiencing homelessness." Read the full press release at <https://watsoncoleman.house.gov/newsroom/press-releases/rep-watson-coleman-introduces-bill-to-reduce-homelessness-and-housing-instability-among-young-people> and the official bill is linked <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/8722> . You can all use THIS advocacy template to support this vital piece of legislation.
- A Way Home America (AWHA) will be hosting its first IN-PERSON State of the Movement (SOTM) on youth and young adult homelessness in Dallas, TX on October 23-24.