

**The BRAIN TRUST
Meeting Notes**

Tuesday October 8,2019

4:30 pm-5:30 pm

UTEP Health Sciences Center and School of Nursing Building

(Across from the UTEP Library)

1851 Wiggins Rd.

El Paso, TX 79968

3rd Floor, Room 384

Attendees:

Maria Carrillo
Dr. Hyejin Jung
Jacob Martinez
Maria Martinez
Enrique Mata
Holly Mata
Olivia Narvaez
Guadalupe Quezada
Anna Gonzalez
Angie Lozano
Joshua Acevedo
Dayanira Carrillo
Adan Dominguez
Jaime Diaz
Claudi Fuentes

Representing:

Centro de Salud Familiar- La Fe
UTEP Social Work Department
UTEP School of Nursing
El Paso State SLC
PdNHF
UTEP School of Nursing/ HHDRC
EPISD
El Paso Child Guidance Center
El Paso Child Guidance Center
Ready One Industries
Empower.Change
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Recovery Alliance/ Punto de Partida
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El Paso Center for Children

I. Welcome, Introductions

- Holly Mata called the Brain Trust (BT) to order at 4:34 p.m.

II. Extended Community Roundtable & Community Updates

a. El Paso State Support System: Ms. Maria Martinez

- i. There is a lot of staffing changes (Barreda Interim Director, Cheryl Rhodes Interim) Assistant Director Steven Lujan- Could give a presentation for next month
- ii. Provide Health Services to 18 and over to court mandated.
- iii. Holiday Bazaar @ Ascarate November 16th: For more information can Contact Ms. Martinez at **915-782-6488**

b. El Paso Child Guidance Center

- i. Community Collaboration meeting changed to 1:30 pm, Thursday the 10th.
- ii. Fast Track Tours
 1. November 13th – Rio Vista
- iii. Newsletter is coming up next month. Any community events that BT would like to include contact
- iv. Jaime Lunardes- New Director of Operations
- v. Annual Roast Thursday November 14th at Country Club
- vi. This Saturday the 12th ;United Way is having a fair for service providers in region 19. More information will be sent out VIA email.

c. Recovery Alliance/ Project Punto de Partida

- i. Received Funding for next year & Became accredited
- ii. Are looking for members to serve on advisory council(12-15 people)
 1. Can be anybody interested/Passionate to help
- iii. Received Trauma training by Kathy Revtyak
- iv. Case managers handling 12-20 cases, 8 case managers at the moment
- v. Will be having harm reduction clinic for people who have abscess in a couple of weeks at Houston Park

d. PDnHF

- i. Foundation funded 5 projects for 2019 proposals. One of those is ROTMENAS
- ii. Grants in EP County:
 1. To Texas Tech for Senate Bill 11.
 - a. SB 11 is something that will allow psychiatry and primary physicians access to provide services via telehealth
- iii. City of Alamogordo: Crisis intervention team received funding
- iv. Task force out of FLC: for THC and Vaping Products (THC Taskforce)

1. There has been an Increase of THC usage. Using THC is a Felony, and prosecutors in TX will charge it as such

e. Empower. Change

- i. Behavior Summit in two weeks
- ii. 8:00 am – 12:00 pm – Don Haskins Center
- iii. Community Collaboration Workgroup will be providing a networking group after the summit

f. Holly Mata

- i. Alamogordo Police Department is excited to have been chosen for creation of a crisis intervention team
- ii. Full time CIT officer, Licensed Social Worker, 5 Peer Recovery Support Specialist
- iii. New Mexico Department of Health has been very helpful as Alamogordo lost a medical provider who managed 100+ patients in medication management.

g. La Fe

- i. El Paso Community Foundation- They Provide the Tags in the tree's you see at the mall. Please get one and help make an impact in a child's life. La Fe's will be in Cielo Vista starting the day after thanksgiving.
- ii. El Paso Child Guidance Center- 3 Day Crisis Intervention training was very helpful
- iii. Self-Care is important: reflect on self-care

h. UTEP Nursing

- i. IPE- experiences: a group of professionals come to gather and learn how to integrate to provide more efficient patient care.

i. EPISD

- i. All homeless liaisons were called out to Austin- there are a lot of changes coming

j. Ready One

- i. Promoting Wellness & Providing Yoga/Zumba classes

k. Dr. Hyejin Jung

- i. Looking at data with self-stigma on both sides of the border.

l. El Paso Center for Children

- i. Parent Café is starting next week. October 16th at Noland Richardson Recreation Center

III. Adjourn

- Holly Mata adjourned the Brain Trust meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Next Meeting - The Brain Trust meets at 4:30 pm every 2nd Tuesday of the month. The next Brain Trust meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 12th, 2019 in room 384 at the UTEP Health Sciences Center and School of Nursing Building.

Next Presenter:

Mission:

The Brain Trust is a collaborative network of community stakeholders committed to changing minds and attitudes about mental illness in El Paso County to improve mental and emotional well-being for the health of children, youth and adults.

Vision:

The Brain Trust Network envisions a community where mental and emotional well-being are fundamental to the quality and productivity of individuals, families, communities and nations, enabling people to experience life as meaningful and to be creative and active citizens (adapted from the World Health Organization's definition of mental health and mental well-being).