

March Newsletter

A quick Look:

- 2025 LC3 Training Updates and RSVP Open!
- This month's Highlights!
- LC3 Action Teams (Meetings in Progress)
- Annual Meeting Planning Committee
- Upcoming Events
- Special Thanks!

March - National Social Work Month

March is National Social Work Month, a time to honor the contributions and dedication of social workers across the country. It highlights the vital role they play in improving communities, advocating for social justice, and supporting individuals facing challenges. This month also raises awareness about the diverse and impactful work social workers do to promote well-being and positive change in society. Thank you to all Social Workers for the work you do!



Resources & Support:



We extend our deepest condolences to all those affected by this weekend's tragic event. During difficult times like these, the strength and resilience of the Las Cruces and Doña Ana County communities shine through the unwavering support we provide one another.

To further assist individuals and families in coping, we are sharing the attached support resources, provided by our funders and partners at the Paso del Norte Health Foundation. These resources are intended to complement 988 and other available mental health and emotional well-being services in our region.

Please feel free to distribute this information widely to ensure those in need can access the support they deserve. Thank you for your continued dedication to our community. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.

See our public resource board here:

<https://tinyurl.com/LC3Resources25>
(Or Scan QR Code)



Our Vision:

To build a behavioral health system that is inclusive, organized, centered on the individual and family, and is committed to advocating for and providing comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder services for people across Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

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Our Next Meeting

April 15th (Tuesday)
11:30AM-1PM
Zoom - Virtual Only


March Highlights



2025 Training Updates

RSVP for our trainings next month! The Substance Use Disorder Training will be rescheduled at a later date. Anyone who signed up before the training was cancelled will be able to sign up for the rescheduled training first.

April

 Cultural humility - NLBHA & LC3
 4/24/2025 [9AM-3PM virtual]
 (National Latino Behavioral Health Assoc)

May Trainings Opening Soon!

RSVP [CLICK TO REGISTER:
WWW.TINYURL.COM/
LC3-RSVP](http://WWW.TINYURL.COM/LC3-RSVP)

Community Connections Social Event



Above: Providers and others networking at the Community Connections Social event.

On March 24th, a Community Connections social event was hosted as a partnership with LC3, UNITE US of New Mexico, & Doña Ana County.



100% Family Center - Grand Opening

LC3 was honored to attend the grand opening of the 100% Family Center, hosted by Doña Ana County Resilience Leaders (DACRL) and Las Cruces Public Schools. Held at Roadrunner Food Bank, the event brought the community together to tour the space, meet the team, and explore the Vamos Niños Children's Mobile Museum.

This new center will support families with children ages 0-5, offering parenting support, referrals, food assistance, healthcare navigation, and housing aid. Thank you to DACRL, Las Cruces Public Schools, and all who made this possible!



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LC3 Action Teams - Get Involved

LC3 Action Teams are dedicated groups working to improve behavioral health in Doña Ana County. Each team focuses on key issues like youth advocacy, crisis response, housing support, policy, and specialty services. By joining, you'll collaborate with community leaders, share your expertise, and help create meaningful change.



Why Join?

LC3 Action Teams are the driving force behind building a stronger, more accessible behavioral health system in Doña Ana County. They bring together professionals, community members, and advocates to tackle critical issues like crisis response, housing support, and youth mental health. These teams ensure that local voices shape solutions, policies are community-driven, and resources are directed where they're needed most.

By joining an Action Team, you become part of a collective effort to make lasting, meaningful change —because better behavioral health starts with action.



Our Action Teams:



- **Youth Action Team** – Advocates for youth-focused behavioral health initiatives.
- **Housing Services Action Team** – Works to address housing needs and supports for those facing housing instability.
- **Supportive & Specialty Services Action Team** – Focuses on access to specialty behavioral health services.
- **Legislative & Sustainable Funding Action Team** – Engages in policy and funding efforts to sustain behavioral health programs.
- **Crisis Services Action Team** – Strengthens crisis response systems and support networks.

Time Commitment & Expectations:



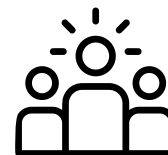
- Meetings occur biweekly
- Opportunities to contribute based on your availability and interests
- Collaborative discussions with community leaders and professionals

Next Meeting:

April 11 @ 10 am via Zoom

If you are interested, or were already on an action team please email: jguerrero@fjnm.org or go to: <https://tinyurl.com/LC3AT2025> or scan QR Code to the right to join.

Learn more about our action teams by viewing our January General Meeting Slides Here: <https://healthypasodelnorte.org/resource-library/lc3jangmslides-25/>



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Weekly Annual Meeting Planning Committee

We're inviting LC3 Collaborative members and New Mexico residents to help us plan an impactful Annual Meeting! Be part of the team shaping the agenda, celebrating our action teams and partners, and showcasing our shared vision.

Let's collaborate to create a meaningful event that reflects our community's needs and strengths. Your input matters!

Interested? Click or go to [Tinyurl.com/LC3AMPC25](https://tinyurl.com/LC3AMPC25) to join the planning committee or scan the QR code below.



Interested in speaking and/or presenting at an LC3 General Hybrid Meeting?



Reach out to: Javier Guerrero (jguerrero@fjinm.org)

Note: General Meeting Agendas are Subject to approval from the LC3 Board Members. Submissions shall be made at least 1.5 - 2 Weeks before the upcoming general meeting for the month being applied for.

Upcoming Community Events:

April 12th (11am-1PM):

FYI+ Every Child Matters Fiesta (Anthony, NM)

Dona Ana Community College - Gadsden Center
1700 Ohara Rd, Anthony, NM 88021, USA



April 17th (4PM-7PM):

FYI+ Every Child Matters Fiesta (Las Cruces, NM)

Plaza de Las Cruces, Main St. Downtown
100 N Main St, Las Cruces, NM 88001



We will be sending out event flyers soon, and we would appreciate you spreading the word about these events. If you have any questions, please reach out to Chris Preciado-Shelton at: cshelton@fjinm.org.

Special Thanks & Shoutout!



Jamie Michael (She, Hers)
Director
Doña Ana County HHS



Wes Smith (He/His)
Case Manager (Mobile Integrated Health/ Las Cruces Fire Department)

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LC3 extends a huge thank you to this month's General Meeting speakers, Jamie Michael, Director of Doña Ana County HHS, and Wes Smith, Case Manager with Mobile Integrated Health at Las Cruces Fire Department.

Your insights into local health initiatives and integrated response efforts were invaluable to our community's ongoing work. We appreciate your time and expertise!

See their presentation here:
<https://tinyurl.com/LC3GMMMarch25>

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