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State Plan Committee Meeting Agenda Friday, July 11, 2025, 9:00 a.m. 2400 N. Lincoln Blvd, Sequoyah Bldg., Room 442 Oklahoma City, OK 73105

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Meeting ID: 230 239 736 108 3 - Passcode: UX6W4Bb2

Members attending online:



- 1) Review Meeting minutes of:
 - a) February 14, 2025, State Plan meeting.
 - b) May 9, 2025, State Plan meeting.
- 2) Discuss proposals: Tulsa State Fair Momentum Refresh
- 3) Project Reports



- 1) Data from 2020 Listening Sessions
- 2) 2025 Listening Session Attendance

IV.__ Announcements
V. Adjournment

State Plan Committee Members: Michelle Kelley, Committee Chair, Shelley Greenhaw, Committee Vice Chair, RoseAnn Duplan, Wanda Felty, Janie Fugitt, Sharon Garrity, Gina Richardson

State Plan Committee Minutes Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma

DATE: Friday, February 14, 2025

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: 2400 N. Lincoln Blvd, Sequoyah Bldg. Rm. 305C, Oklahoma City,

Oklahoma 73105

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Friday, February 14, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., the State Plan Committee met at 2400 N. Lincoln Blvd, Sequoyah Bldg. in Rm. 305c, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 per the Open Meetings Act.

NOTICE of the schedule for all regular and special meetings of the DDCO State Plan Committee for the calendar year 2025 have been given in writing to the Oklahoma Secretary of State and public notice and agenda having been posted on the Council's website at or before 12:00 pm on Thursday, February 13, 2025, per the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act, 25 O.S. Section 311.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Michelle Kelley called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.



<u>Present</u>: Michelle Kelley, Shelly Greenhaw (online, name and location listed on agenda), Janie Fugitt, Gina Richardson, RoseAnn Duplan for Melissa Sublett, Wanda Felty for Valerie Williams

Online: Sharon Garrity, Melissa Sublett, via Read assistant

Absent:

<u>Staff</u>: Jennifer Robinson, Bradley Mays, Morgan Davis, Alissa Patterson (online), Jenifer Randle

Guests: Gina Burchfiel

By roll call, having determined there were sufficient members to make a quorum, business was conducted.

III. Review of the Minutes of the State Committee Meeting of December 6, 2024.

DISCUSSION: The minutes from November 22, 2024, were reviewed.

ACTION: Motion by Ms. Felty and seconded by Ms. Fugitt to approve November 22, 2024, State Plan Committee meeting minutes as corrected (Janie Fugitt abstained from the November 19, 2024 minutes review).

AYES: Shelly Greenhaw, Michelle Kelley, Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan,

Wanda Felty NAYS: none

ABSTAIN: Gina Richardson

MOTION: Carried (Did Pass)

IV. Discussion and Possible Voting: Old and New Items

Project presentation from Ms. Gina Burchfiel from OK State Fair. Ms. Burchfiel reported on the success of Momentum Refresh and Calming Station during last year's Oklahoma State Fair. The usage of Momentum Refresh was on par with other (and larger) State Fairs that used Momentum refresh as well. The OK State Fair is requesting funding from the Council for this year's fair to help with costs.

ACTION: Motion to approve the funding for Oklahoma State Fair's. Momentum Refresh by Ms. Duplan and seconded by Ms. Felty.

AYES: Michelle Kelley, Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan, Wanda Felty, Shelly Greenhaw, Gina Richardson

NAYS: none

MOTION: Carried (Did Pass)

Listening Session Discussion: Ms. Robinson discussed with the Committee the progress of the listening sessions. People have signed up but those who are showing are low. Staff will work with the research team to increase the number of people accepted into a session. Ms. Felty wanted to make sure listening sessions make all feel welcome to speak up, so that all perspectives are heard.

Project Quarterly Report Discussion: The committee reviewed the quarterly reports added into the meeting report by Ms. Robinson and gave praise to Ms. Robinson for the reports. The committee commented about getting more data information from Oklahoma Autism Center, specifically how many individuals are screened. The committee had questions about website metrics from AFO.

A. Discussion of Past Project Proposals:

AFO LEAD Training FY 26 funding request. The committee discussed the funding proposal from the Autism Foundation of Oklahoma (AFO) to continue L.E.A.D. trainings to employers. The committee discussed the proposal, sharing concerns.

ACTION: Motion by Ms. Duplan and seconded by Ms. Kelley to approve the funding proposal from AFO to continue L.E.A.D. training.

AYES:

NAYS: Michelle Kelley, Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan, Wanda Felty, Shelly Greenhaw, Gina Richardson MOTION: Carried (Did Not Pass)

The Committee requests AFO for changes to their proposal. They would request AFO strengthen the job board, focusing on more engagement from job seekers and companies trained.

Best Buddies FY26 funding request. The committee discussed the funding proposal from Best Buddies to continue expansion. The previous proposal lacked correct match funding. This request showed corrected match funding.

ACTION: Motion to approve expansion of Best Buddies for fiscal year 2026 by Ms. Kelley and seconded by Ms. Felty.

AYES: None

NAYS: Michelle Kelley, Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan, Wanda

Felty, Shelly Greenhaw, Gina Richardson

MOTION: Not Carried (Did Not Pass)

The Committee requested more information before passing.

Sooner SUCCESS FY26 funding request. The committee discussed the funding proposal from Sooner SUCCESS to approve with committee changes requested.

ACTION: Motion to approve changes to the funding for the Sooner SUCCESS fiscal year 2026 by Ms. Kelley and seconded by Ms. Felty.

AYES: Michelle Kelley, Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan, Wanda Felty, Shelly Greenhaw, Gina Richardson

NAYS: none

MOTION: Carried (Did Pass)

Early Access funding request. The committee discussed the funding proposal from Oklahoma Autism Center to approve as amended.

ACTION: Motion by Ms. Duplan and seconded by Ms. Richardson to approve the funding proposal from Oklahoma Autism Center.

AYES: Michelle Kelley, Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan, Shelly Greenhaw, Gina Richardson

NAYS: none

MOTION: Carried (Did Pass)

- V. Cher New Business
- VI. Announcements
- VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 pm

State Plan Committee Minutes Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma

DATE: Friday, May 9, 2025

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: 2400 N. Lincoln Blvd, Sequoyah Bldg. Rm. C-48, Oklahoma City,

Oklahoma 73105

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Friday, May 8, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., the State Plan Committee met at 2400 N. Lincoln Blvd, Sequoyah Bldg. in Rm. C-48, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 per the Open Meetings Act.

NOTICE of the schedule for all regular and special meetings of the DDCO State Plan Committee for the calendar year 2025 have been given in writing to the Oklahoma Secretary of State and public notice and agenda having been posted on the Council's website at or before 12:00 pm on Thursday, May 8, 2025, per the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act, 25 O.S. Section 311.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Sharon Garrity called the meeting to order at 10:11 A.M.



II. IIIIII ROLL CALL:

Present: Janie Fugitt, RoseAnn Duplan (Designee for Melissa Sublett), Sharon Garrity,

Online: Wanda Felty (Designee for Valerie Williams).

Absent: Michelle Kelley, Shelly Greenhaw, Gina Richardson

Guests: Jessica Dvorak, Tulsa State Fair, attending online

Staff: Jennifer Robinson, Bradley Mays, Morgan Davis, Jenifer Randle, Alissa

Patterson (online)

By roll call, having determined there were not sufficient members to make a quorum, so business was not conducted.

Review of the February 14, 2025 State Plan Committee

Minutes DISCUSSION: The State Plan Committee minutes from
February 14, 2025 were reviewed by those in attendance.

ACTION: No action was taken.

IV. Discussion and Possible Voting: Old and New Items

A. Ms. Robinson introduced Jessica Dvorak from the Tulsa State Fair, Sept. 25-Oct 5. Ms. Dvorak spoke about a funding request from the Tulsa State Fair, to support Momentum Refresh at the 2025 Tulsa State Fair. This will be the first time at the Tulsa State Fair, hearing about the success of Momentum Refresh during last year's Oklahoma State Fair.

ACTION: The State Plan Committee will meet before the next Council Quarterly meeting. The committee requested a few things for their review:

- Inclusion of specific dollar amounts for each in-kind contribution listed in the proposal.
- Make sure the Tulsa State Fair understands the Disability Law Center doesn't provide grants (it was mentioned in the sustainability plan portion of the request that the Tulsa State Fair would seek funding opportunities from other foundation and community grants, including the Disability Law Center).
- Request statistics of usage from Momentum Refresh when in Oklahoma City for the 2025 Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon.

The State Fair Committee will add a meeting to discuss the Tulsa State Fair Proposal on Friday, July 11, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

B. Review of Quarterly Reports from Q3.

Ms. Robinson presented summaries of current Council work for the past quarter. The committee was complimentary of Ms. Robinson's summaries and having the information. The Committee had questions about project work for contractors.

- Ask the Black Feathers podcast for metrics from the first season, to help us understand numbers.
- Ask the Black Feathers podcast for a flyer and share at the next Council meeting.
- Ask the Autism Foundation of Oklahoma (AFO) if they could break out the numbers trained regarding people with autism and people with intellectual / developmental disability.
- Ask Sooner SUCCESS for separate numbers for respite and sibling camp.

Ms. Robinson discussed her experience attending a Sooner SUCCESS respite retreat.

- **c.** Review of Listening Sessions.
 - Ms. Robinson presented the current data and themes we've heard from the listening sessions held. The committee was curious about how many attendees we had during the last time we held listening sessions. Ms. Randle will investigate what these numbers were for comparisons.
- V. Cher New Business
- VI. Announcements:
- vii. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Fiscal Year 26 Funding Request

Project/Activity: Momentum Refresh

Organization: Tulsa State Fair

Proposal Description: The Tulsa State Fair, to be held Sept. 25-Oct.5, 2025, is dedicated to fostering an inclusive environment for all, including those with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, disabled veterans, and seniors with mobility challenges. The introduction of Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms is a significant step toward achieving this goal. These mobile, ADA-compliant restrooms, equipped with features such as adult-sized changing tables, space for mobility devices, and privacy screens, ensure that all guests can enjoy the Tulsa State Fair comfortably and with dignity. This initiative aligns with the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma's goals, particularly promoting community awareness and inclusion, as well as enhancing opportunities for social and recreational activities for individuals with disabilities.

Momentum Refresh restrooms not only improve accessibility for individuals with developmental disabilities but also benefit seniors, veterans, and families who may require additional support. By providing these specialized facilities, the Tulsa State Fair ensures that everyone, regardless of their mobility or care needs, can participate fully in the event. This effort also sends a strong message about the Tulsa State Fair's commitment to community leadership and inclusivity. It encourages other events in Oklahoma to adopt similar practices, reinforcing the value of universal design and the need for accessible public spaces that accommodate a diverse range of visitors. Incorporating Momentum Refresh restrooms at the Tulsa State Fair is a step forward in promoting dignity, independence, and social inclusion for individuals with various disabilities. By meeting and exceeding ADA standards and integrating assistive technologies, these restrooms offer a

functional and comfortable space for those with complex needs. This initiative will enhance the experience for thousands of guests and serve as a model for future inclusive public events, ensuring that everyone, regardless of ability, can participate and enjoy Tulsa's largest annual event.

Goal 3: Community Awareness and Inclusion

Objective 5: Individuals with developmental disabilities will have greater opportunities for meaningful friendships and relationships, recreational activities, and social inclusion in their communities.

Targeted Audience: individuals of all ages with developmental and physical disabilities, mobility challenges, disabled veterans, seniors, and families with children or caregivers who require additional support. These individuals often face barriers at public events due to a lack of accessible restrooms. Momentum Refresh restrooms provide the necessary space, privacy, and equipment to support those with mobility devices, cognitive disabilities, and chronic conditions, ensuring they can participate fully in the Tulsa State Fair and enjoy a more inclusive experience.

Funding requested for FY 2026

Council	Match	Total
\$20,000	\$11,900	\$31,900

BUDGET

Expenses:

Momentum Refresh Ren	tal for 11 days (\$2,900x11)	\$31,900
Income:		
DDCO Funding	(62.7%)	\$20,000
Tulsa State Fair cash mat	ch (37.3%)	\$11.900

Tulsa State Fair Budget Fall 2025

Category	Description	Amount	Туре	Notes
Income	Tulsa State Fair (match)	\$ 11,900.00	Income	Cash
Request	DDCO	\$20,000.00	Income	Requested Funds
Expense	Vehicle Rental (11 days)	\$ 31,900.00	Expense	\$2,900/day x 11 days
Expense	Sales Tax	\$ -	Expense	Sales tax exempt



Refresh

RENTAL AGREEMENT QUOTE

Momentum Refresh offers for rental a Refresh vehicle designed to provide persons with disabilities, disabled veterans, and others with limited mobility first-class access to universally designed, ADA-compliant restrooms in public spaces. Each climate-controlled vehicle is equipped with a powered, height adjustable adult-sized changing table; powered, height adjustable sink; ceiling hoist on a track system for easy transfers; peninsular toilet with bidet and height and width adjustable grab bars and supplies to include hand soap, paper towels, toilet paper, gloves, wipes and table pads. Rental includes services of a professionally trained ambassador responsible for delivery and set up of vehicle, operation of the under vehicle lift of the vehicle, continuous cleaning of vehicle throughout the event, and guest support as well as all of the pre-planning logistics with designated event contact and access to Momentum Refresh marketing and partner toolkit.

1. Renter's Information

Company Name:	Tulsa State Fair			
Primary Contact:	Jessica Dvorak, Corporate Sponsorship & Marketing			
Address:	4145 East 21st Street			
City:	Tulsa State: OK Zip: 74114		Zip: 74114	
Phone Number:	505-363-7657	Email: jessica.dvorak@exposquare.com		

2. Event Information

Event Type:	Fair – outdoor event		
Venue Address:	4145 East 21st Street		
City:	Tulsa	State: OK	Zip: 74114
Event Start Date:	09/25/25	Event End Date:	10/05/25

3. Rental Quote

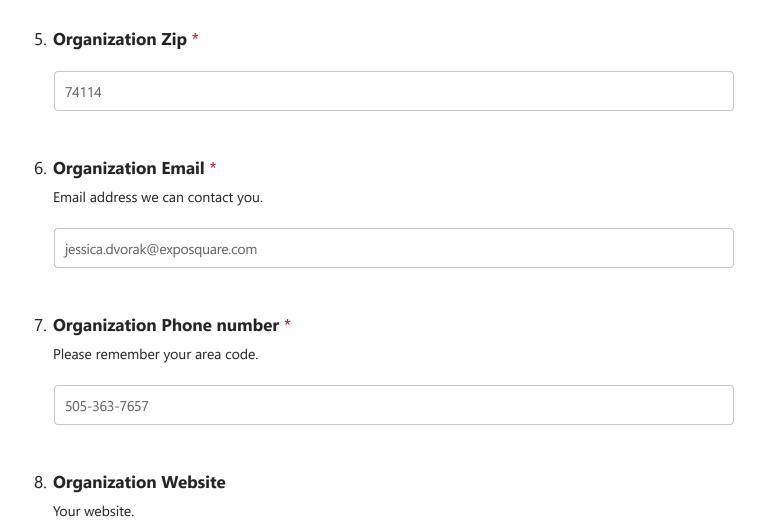
Daily Rate:	\$2,900	Number of Days: 11	Vehicles: 1
Total Rental Cost:	\$31,900	Notes:	
Other Cost(s):		-Valid sales tax exemption c	ertificate must be
Sales Tax:		provided with rental agreeme	ent.
Total:	\$31,900		

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1.	Organization Name	; *			
	Tulsa State Fair				_
2.	Organization Addre	ess *			
	Mailing address please: S	Street number and street i	name.		
	4145 East 21st Street				
3.	Organization City *				
	Tulsa				
4.	Organization State	*			



Our State Plan Goals

tulsastatefair.com

To qualify for funding, projects must meet the goals in the 5 Year DDCO State Plan. The state plan is available for review https://oklahoma.gov/ddco/about/state-plan.html.

	Selec	t the goal your project will be addressing.
		<u>Goal 1: Advocacy and Self-Advocacy Skills</u> Improvement Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families will be skilled and empowered advocates and leaders in individual and systems change advocacy.
		<u>Goal 2: Good Lives Across the Lifespan</u> Individuals with developmental disabilities, their families and caregivers will have increased access to quality, long-term, individualized supports and services across the lifespan in the home and community of their choice.
		<u>Goal 3: Community Awareness and Inclusion</u> People with developmental disabilities and their families will experience increased inclusion and integration so that they may fully participate in all aspects of the community.
		Part 2 - Disclosure of Potential Conflict of Interest
		The State of Oklahoma prohibits persons and organizations from participating in the development of a competitive contract where they may receive an actual or perceived benefit. The following questions assist us in making this determination.
10.	Any	relationships to the organization? *
	Deve	ou, or your organization, have any personal, professional or financial relationships to the lopmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma? This disclosure does not necessarily create a real or eived conflict of interest, but disclosure of such relationships is required.
		Yes
		No

Your activity proposal:

9. State Plan Goal *

The DDCO thoughtfully reviews complete and materially accurate submissions at the committee level. The information provided in Part III will assist committee members in understanding your application and any expectations for DDCO.

11. Proposal. *

Provide a written overview of your proposal (750 words or fewer).

The Tulsa State Fair is committed to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for all guests, including individuals with developmental disabilities, disabled veterans, seniors, and others with limited mobility. By bringing in Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms, the Fair takes a meaningful step toward ensuring everyone can enjoy the event with dignity and ease. This initiative directly supports several goals outlined in the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma's 2022–2026 State Plan.

Alignment with DDCO Goals

Goal 3: Community Awareness and Inclusion

Objective 1: "Annually through 2026, the Developmental Disabilities Council will educate Oklahoman communities and community leaders about developmental disabilities so that people with developmental disabilities and their families will experience increased inclusion and support in the community."

How This Aligns: By incorporating highly accessible restrooms into the Fairgrounds, the Tulsa State Fair is not only offering direct support for guests with disabilities but also setting a visible example of accessibility and inclusion. This helps raise awareness and reinforces the message that all community members deserve equal access to public spaces and events.

Objective 5: "By 2026, individuals with developmental disabilities will have greater opportunities for meaningful friendships and relationships, recreation activities, and social inclusion in their communities."

How This Aligns: Accessible restrooms are a fundamental component of ensuring that individuals with mobility challenges or specialized care needs can participate in recreational and social activities comfortably. Without access to these facilities, many guests may choose not to attend or cut their visit short—limiting their opportunities for connection and inclusion.

Why Momentum Refresh?

Momentum Refresh restrooms are designed specifically for people with complex needs. These mobile, ADA-compliant units provide additional space for mobility devices, adult-sized changing tables, privacy screens, and other critical features not found in traditional portable restrooms.

Their presence communicates that the Tulsa State Fair values accessibility and dignity. This goes beyond compliance; it reflects a commitment to best practices in public event design and shows leadership in community inclusiveness.

Additional Benefits

Increased Participation: Families and individuals who might have skipped the Fair due to restroom accessibility concerns will now feel more confident and welcome.

Community Leadership: The Fair can be seen as a model for other large-scale events in Oklahoma, encouraging wider adoption of inclusive practices.

Support for Veterans and Seniors: This effort benefits not only individuals with developmental disabilities but also aging adults, injured veterans, and caregivers.

Conclusion

Bringing Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms to the Tulsa State Fair would be a powerful step toward fulfilling the shared goal of a more inclusive Oklahoma. It directly supports key objectives of the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma and provides a more equitable experience for thousands of

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12.	Have you completed a needs assessment? *						
	Yes						
	No						
13.	Who will do the work? *						
	Provide a list of all people and organizations proposed to work on the project.						
	Jessica Dvorak						
14.	Experiences & qualifications: *						
	Describe the experience and qualifications of the persons and or organization proposed to provide goods and services associated with the proposal.						
	We will work with Momentum Refresh, the owners and operators of the mobile accessibility trailer.						
15.	DDCO Goals: *						
	Tell us how this proposal will help DDCO meet the goals in its 5-Year State Plan found at https://oklahoma.gov/ddco/about/state-plan.html .						
	The Tulsa State Fair's initiative to introduce Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms aligns with the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma's (DDCO) 2022–2026 State Plan, particularly under Goal 3: Community Awareness and Inclusion.						
	Objective 1: Educating Communities for Increased Inclusion						
	By incorporating accessible restrooms, the Fair provides necessary facilities and serves as a model for inclusivity, educating attendees and community leaders about the importance of accommodating individuals with developmental disabilities. This proactive approach fosters a more supportive and inclusive community environment.						
	Objective 5: Enhancing Social Inclusion through Accessible Facilities						
	The presence of accessible restrooms directly contributes to creating an environment where individuals with developmental disabilities can comfortably participate in recreational activities. This promotes meaningful social interactions and relationships, aligning with the objective of increased social inclusion within the community.						

guests. This is an opportunity to meet real needs, set a new standard, and show what inclusion in action looks

16. Targeted population:

Define the benefitting population targeted by describing the age, region, familial status, learning or support needs, type of disability.

The targeted population includes individuals of all ages with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, and other mobility-related challenges who attend the Tulsa State Fair. This also extends to disabled veterans, seniors and aging adults, and families with children or individuals who require additional support or caregiving assistance.

Age: The initiative benefits a broad age range, from young children with disabilities to older adults and seniors with age-related mobility limitations.

Region: Primarily individuals and families from Tulsa County and surrounding regions in Oklahoma, including those who travel from rural areas to attend the Fair.

Familial Status: Both individuals and families will benefit, including those with children or adults requiring toileting assistance, mobility devices, or adult-sized changing tables.

Learning or Support Needs: Many individuals in the target population may have cognitive disabilities, sensory sensitivities, or behavioral challenges that make traditional restroom options unsuitable. The proposed facilities offer privacy, space, and equipment that support dignity and comfort.

Type of Disability: The restrooms will support individuals with developmental disabilities (e.g., autism spectrum disorder, Down syndrome), physical disabilities (e.g., cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy), and chronic conditions affecting mobility or toileting needs. They are also suitable for use by people with temporary injuries or those recovering from surgery.

This population often faces significant barriers when attending public events due to the lack of accessible restrooms. Providing Momentum Refresh restrooms directly addresses these needs and removes one of the most common barriers to participation in community life.

17. Impact on targeted audience:

Describe the impact on the target audience?

The addition of Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms at the Tulsa State Fair will have a significant and positive impact on the targeted audience by reducing barriers to participation, enhancing dignity, and promoting inclusion.

18. Impact for people with DD:

Describe the impact this proposal will be for people with developmental disabilities?

For individuals with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, and other mobility or sensory needs, accessible restrooms provide a safe, dignified, and functional space that traditional portable restrooms do not offer. These restrooms accommodate mobility devices, include adult-sized changing tables, and offer privacy and space for caregivers, making it possible for guests with complex needs to attend and stay longer at the Fair. Families who support individuals with disabilities will also experience greater peace of mind, knowing that necessary facilities are available to meet their loved one's needs. For aging adults and disabled veterans, these restrooms reduce the physical strain and anxiety often associated with attending large public events without proper facilities.

19. Duplication or expansion:

Is the proposal a duplication or expansion of work already being done in Oklahoma or elsewhere? If yes, describe what is being duplicated and what makes this project unique or different.

Yes, a similar effort is currently in place at the Oklahoma State Fair, where accessible restroom facilities, Momentum Refresh, have been made available to better serve guests with disabilities and mobility challenges. However, this proposal represents an expansion of that work by bringing this level of accessibility to the Tulsa State Fair for the first time.

What makes this project unique is the geographic reach and impact. While the Oklahoma State Fair serves the central part of the state, the Tulsa State Fair is the largest annual event in northeastern Oklahoma. By offering Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms, we are ensuring that individuals in a new region, many of whom may not travel to Oklahoma City, can benefit from the same inclusive infrastructure.

20. **Best Practices:**

Will the proposed project use current best practices in the field of developmental disabilities? If yes, explain what they are and how they will be incorporated. Please cite source material.

The proposed project to introduce Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms at the Tulsa State Fair aligns with and incorporates current best practices in the field of developmental disabilities. These practices emphasize creating inclusive environments that accommodate individuals with diverse needs, ensuring their dignity, independence, and full participation in community events.

Universal Design Principles

Universal design is a foundational best practice that involves creating environments usable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation. Momentum Refresh restrooms embody this principle by offering features such as:

momentumrefresh.com

Adult Changing Tables: Height-adjustable tables cater to individuals requiring assistance with personal care, accommodating users of all ages and sizes.

momentumrefresh.com

Ceiling Hoists: Powered hoists facilitate safe transfers from wheelchairs to changing tables or toilets, enhancing safety and independence.

momentumrefresh.com

Adjustable Fixtures: Grab bars and sinks that can be modified in height provide personalized support, accommodating various mobility needs.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accessible_toilet?

Compliance with ADA Standards

Adhering to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards for Accessible Design is essential. These standards set minimum requirements for accessible facilities, including specifications for toilet seat height, grab bar placement, and clear floor space to accommodate wheelchairs. Momentum Refresh restrooms are designed to meet or exceed these standards, ensuring legal compliance and promoting inclusivity. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Accessible_toilet?

Incorporation of Assistive Technologies

Integrating assistive technologies enhances accessibility. Features such as touch-free faucets, automatic doors, and bidets support individuals with limited dexterity or strength, promoting autonomy and reducing the need for assistance.

https://www.h2hhc.com/blog/how-to-create-inclusive-events-for-individuals-with-developmental-disabilities?

Provision of Adequate Space

Best practices recommend providing sufficient space within restrooms to accommodate mobility devices and caregivers. Momentum Refresh restrooms offer ample room, facilitating ease of movement and use for individuals with disabilities and their assistants.

Conclusion

By integrating these best practices, the proposed project not only complies with current standards but also fosters an environment of dignity, independence, and inclusivity for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Implementing Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms at the Tulsa State Fair will serve as a model for future initiatives aimed at creating accessible public spaces.

21. Systems change impact: *

"Systems change" can help improve a problem and change the way we support people with disabilities in Oklahoma. System change may include sharing information to change thinking, implementing best practice models, and/or improving skills for individuals and families to better say what they want and need. When the work is complete, how will it have provided systems change to programs or services for people with developmental disabilities?

Introducing Momentum Refresh accessible restrooms at the Tulsa State Fair will create meaningful systems change by setting a new standard for accessibility at large public events in Oklahoma.

1. Changing Community Mindsets

The visibility of these restrooms will raise awareness and shift public expectations, helping to normalize inclusive infrastructure for people with developmental disabilities.

2. Modeling Best Practices

This project provides a replicable model that meets real needs. It can inspire other events and venues to adopt similar solutions, spreading best practices across the state.

3. Empowering Families and Individuals

By removing a key barrier, the project empowers people with disabilities and their families to participate fully and advocate for their needs with greater confidence.

4. Influencing Policy and Planning

As a high-profile event, the Fair's commitment to accessibility could influence broader event planning and accessibility policies across Oklahoma.

22. Where implemented:

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Will the proposal be implemented or offered statewide? If no, define the counties and cities served and the rationale for why these locations were selected.

This proposal will not be implemented statewide. It will be offered at the Tulsa State Fair, located in Tulsa County, Oklahoma.

Performance Measures

The DDCO is required to provide performance measure reports to evaluate the effectiveness of our activities. As a result, DDCO requires contracted vendors to submit performance measure reports prior to receiving final payment. Performance reports include actual counts and / or the collection of survey information. As a required component of the application, provide projected data for the following performance measures. (Not all measures are applicable. You may identify measures not applicable to this application as "N/A to this activity") All contractors will be required to collect baseline data to evaluate outcomes.

SC = **S**ystem **C**hange **IA** = **I**ndividual and family **A**dvocacy

23. **IA1.1**

The number of *people with developmental disabilities who participated in Council supported activities* designed to increase their knowledge of how to take art in decisions that affect their lives, the lives of others, and or systems.

50

The value must be a number

24. **IA 1.2**

The number of *family members who participated in Council supported activities* designed to increase their knowledge of how to take part in decisions that affect the family, the lives of others, and or systems.

75

The value must be a number

25. **IA 1.3**

The number of **other individuals who participated in Council supported activities** designed to increase their knowledge.

100

26. **IA 2.1**

After participation in Council supported activities, the *percent of people with developmental disabilities who report increasing their advocacy* as a result of Council work.

60

The value must be a number

27. **IA 2.2**

After participation in Council supported activities, the *percent of family members who report increasing their advocacy* as a result of Council work.

65

The value must be a number

28. IA 2.2.1

The **percent of people** who are better able to say what they want or say what services and supports they want or say what is important to them.

70

The value must be a number

29. **IA 2.2.2**

The **percent of people** who are participating now in advocacy activities.

45

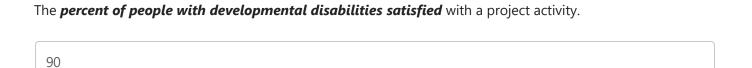
The value must be a number

30. **IA 2.2.3**

The *percent of people* who are on cross disability coalitions, policy boards, advisory boards, governing bodies and/or serving in leadership positions.

10

31. **IA 3.1**



The value must be a number

32. **IA 3.2**

The **percent of family members satisfied** with a project activity.

95

The value must be a number

33. **SC 1.1.1**

The number of policy and or procedures created or changed.

1

The value must be a number

34. **SC 1.2.1**

The number of statutes and or regulations created or changed.

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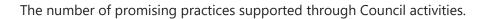
The value must be a number

35. **SC 1.3.1**

The number of promising practices created.

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36. **SC 1.3.2**



1

The value must be a number

37. **SC 1.3.3**

The number of best practices created.

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The value must be a number

38. **SC 1.4.1**

The number of people trained or educated through Council systemic change initiatives.

10

The value must be a number

39. **SC 1.5.1**

The number Council supported systems change activities with organizations actively involved.

2

The value must be a number

40. **SC 2.1**

The number of <u>efforts that led to the improvement</u> of best or promising practices, policies, procedures, statute, or regulation changes.

1

41. **SC 2.1.1**



1

The value must be a number

42. **SC 2.1.2**

The number of policy, procedure, statute, or regulation changes implemented.

1

The value must be a number

43. **SC 2.1.3**

The number of promising and/or best practices improved by systems change activities.

The value must be a number

44. **SC 2.1.4**

The number of promising and/or best practices that were implemented.

1

The value must be a number

45. **SC 2.2**

The number of <u>efforts that were implemented</u> to transform fragmented approaches into a coordinated and effective system that assures individuals with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design of and have access to needed community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration and inclusion in all facets of community life.

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46. FINANCIAL INFORMATION *

Include a detailed revenue and expenditure budget, in a proper accounting format, detailing the total costs and revenues of the proposal.

Identify the amount requested from the Council within the context of the budget. The Council requires a match of 25%. Explain the source of this match.

Identify projected funding sources not currently in place. Provide a narrative explaining each category of expenditure and source or revenue associated with the project. Revenue sources include but are not limited to conference registration fees, third party grants, booth rentals, in-kind contributions, etc.

If space does not permit the details necessary, please email to <u>Jennifer.Robinson@okdhs.org</u> and include the Project Name in the subject line.

Revenue Source Amount

DDCO Requested Funds (max 75%) - \$20,000 Tulsa State Fair In-Kind Match (25%) - \$8,750 Additional Funds to Be Secured - \$6,250 Total Revenue \$35,000

Expenditure Budget

Momentum Refresh Rental Fee - \$28,000, Rental of accessible restroom trailer with adult-sized changing table, hoist, and accessible design for the full duration of the Fair.

Delivery, Setup & Maintenance - \$3,500, Transportation to/from the site, setup, daily maintenance and servicing, and tear-down.

Signage & Accessibility Materials - \$1,000, Event signage, maps, and promotional materials to raise awareness of accessible facilities.

Staff Training & Coordination - \$1,500, Volunteer and staff training for assisting individuals with developmental disabilities.

Survey Collection & Outcome Reporting - \$1,000, Tools and labor for collecting baseline and follow-up data for DDCO performance reporting.

Total Expenditures \$35,000

Council Funding Requested

Amount Requested from DDCO: \$20,000

This represents ~57% of the total project cost and complies with the \$20K cap.

Match Funds (25% Requirement)

Source: In-kind contributions from Tulsa State Fair.

Value: \$8,750

Details:

Event space/utilities

Marketing, maps, and on-site promotion

Staff and volunteer time related to accessibility support

Additional Projected Funding to Be Secured

Source Amount Explanation

Local Sponsors - \$4,000, Outreach to health organizations, disability advocates, and inclusive brands. Concession Fee Offset - \$1,250, Fair management allocation to support accessibility-related infrastructure. Donated Services/Community Support - \$1,000, Potential volunteer hours or donated materials (e.g., signage printing).

Narrative Summary:

This proposal supports the implementation of high-impact, inclusive infrastructure during the Tulsa State Fair. The \$20,000 request from DDCO will directly fund the rental and servicing of the accessible restroom facility, while the Tulsa State Fair contributes the required match in in-kind support. Additional funds will be secured through community partnerships and event-based resources, ensuring the full cost is covered.

47. **STATEMENT OF WORK:** *

Provide a proposed statement of work for the contractual requirements detailing the goods and services you will provide in exchange for DDCO funding.

Project Summary:

The contractor will implement accessible restroom solutions at the 2025 Tulsa State Fair by securing and deploying a Momentum Refresh unit. This project will improve accessibility and inclusion for individuals with developmental disabilities, aging adults, disabled veterans, and others with mobility challenges. The contractor will carry out planning, logistics, public awareness, staff training, and evaluation activities in alignment with DDCO goals and reporting requirements.

Goods and Services to be Provided Accessible Restroom Unit Rental

Secure a Momentum Refresh unit that includes:

Adult-sized changing table

Ceiling hoist

Accessible toilet and sink

Climate control

Private space for caregiver assistance

Ensure unit is delivered, maintained, and staffed for the full duration of the Fair.

Setup, Maintenance & Coordination

Coordinate delivery, setup, and removal of the restroom unit.

Oversee daily servicing and cleanliness throughout the event.

Ensure compliance with health, safety, and ADA standards.

Community Outreach & Visibility

Promote the presence of accessible restrooms via the Fair's website, maps, signage, and social media.

Raise awareness among fairgoers, vendors, and staff regarding the importance of accessibility and inclusion.

Staff & Volunteer Training

Train fair staff and volunteers on how to assist guests with developmental disabilities and how to refer them to the Momentum Refresh unit when appropriate.

Data Collection & Performance Reporting

Design and distribute a brief pre- and post-implementation survey to gather feedback from individuals with disabilities and their families.

Track usage, engagement, and satisfaction to meet DDCO's required performance measures.

Submit a final report detailing project outcomes, impact, and recommendations for future replication.

Compliance with Contractual Requirements

Meet all DDCO documentation, invoicing, and reporting deadlines.

Provide proof of matching contributions (in-kind or cash).

Ensure the program aligns with the DDCO State Plan (2022–2026), specifically under Goal 3: Community Awareness and Inclusion.

Project Timeline: Milestone Estimated Date

Finalize Momentum Refresh contract July 2025

Promotion & signage development August 2025

Staff & volunteer training September 2025

Implementation at Tulsa State Fair September 25 – October 5, 2025

Survey collection and evaluation October 2025

Final report submitted to DDCO November 2025

48. Sustainability Plan:

Typically, DDCO will fund an activity for a maximum of five (5) years. Projects continuing for more than five years are expected to be self-sustaining by the end of the contract period. Include a detailed plan and timeframe for the project to become self-sustainable, including projected budgets, identified partners, and annual funding goals for each year. (This is required for recurring requests)

Overview:

This project aims to make the Tulsa State Fair more inclusive by providing accessible restroom facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities and mobility challenges. While initial implementation requires funding support from DDCO, the long-term goal is to integrate this service as a permanent and self-sustaining part of the Fair's annual infrastructure.

Sustainability Strategy & Timeline

Year Activity Focus Estimated Budget DDCO Funds Other Sources

Year 1 (2025) Launch program, collect data, promote accessibility \$35,000 \$20,000 \$8,750 in-kind (Fair), \$6,250 (sponsorships/grants)

Year 2 (2026) Expand awareness, secure recurring sponsors \$35,000 \$15,000 \$10,000 sponsors, \$10,000 Fair (cash/in-kind)

Year 3 (2027) Reduce DDCO dependency, increase partner contributions \$35,000 \$10,000 \$15,000 sponsors, \$10,000 Fair

Year 4 (2028) Fully fund through external sponsors and internal resources \$35,000 \$5,000 \$20,000 sponsors, \$10,000 Fair

Year 5 (2029) Project becomes fully self-sustaining \$35,000 \$0 \$25,000 sponsors, \$10,000 Fair

Funding Sources & Partners

Corporate Sponsors:

Outreach will focus on local and national companies aligned with health, accessibility, and community inclusion (e.g., hospitals, disability service providers, ADA-focused brands, and healthcare equipment companies).

Foundation & Community Grants:

Pursue support from organizations like the Oklahoma Disability Law Center, United Way, and local philanthropic foundations.

Tulsa State Fair Contribution:

Increase internal budgeting allocation over time as Fair leadership integrates the program into long-term infrastructure planning.

Booth Vendor Offset / Round-Up Donations:

Explore integrating an optional "round-up for accessibility" program at ticket purchases or booth registration to generate additional support.

Operational Strategies for Long-Term Success

Data-Driven Advocacy:

Each year's survey and usage data will be compiled into a short impact report to strengthen sponsor pitches and funding renewals.

Inclusion in Fair Planning:

By Year 3, the goal is to incorporate the Momentum Refresh unit into Fair operations planning as a standard utility, much like ADA parking or medical stations.

Recognition & Visibility for Sponsors:

Sponsors will receive public recognition through on-site signage, digital promotion, and social media, 32incentivizing long-term partnerships.

Conclusion

With DDCO's initial investment and a clear phase-out strategy, this project will evolve into a model of accessible infrastructure that is locally funded and broadly supported. The timeline allows the Fair to build a coalition of sponsors, refine logistics, and embed accessibility into its culture, ensuring people with developmental disabilities continue to feel welcome and included for years to come.

49. **Logic Model:**

A logic model is a tool used by DDCO to evaluate the effectiveness of the program. An example is included, or you may use one of the many formats found by Googling "logic model." This is required for contracts in excess of \$5,000.

The Momentum Refresh Accessibility Initiative at the Tulsa State Fair is designed to increase accessibility and inclusion for individuals with developmental disabilities, mobility challenges, and their families. The project will be supported through \$20,000 in DDCO funding, matched with \$8,750 in in-kind contributions from the Tulsa State Fair, including staffing, utilities, event promotion, and logistical support. Key resources also include a fully equipped Momentum Refresh restroom unit, fair staff and volunteers, and outreach materials for education and awareness.

Planned activities include securing and deploying the Momentum Refresh unit for the full 11-day duration of the Tulsa State Fair. The project team will promote the facility's availability through onsite signage, event maps, the fair website, and social media. Fair staff and volunteers will be trained on how to support individuals with developmental disabilities and refer them to the accessible unit as needed. Survey tools will be distributed before and after the event to collect data on awareness, usage, satisfaction, and self-advocacy outcomes.

The outputs of this initiative will include one accessible restroom unit installed and maintained throughout the event, over 100 individuals with disabilities directly served, more than 200 individuals reached through training and promotional outreach, and collected survey data that will be compiled and submitted in a final report to DDCO.

The short-term outcomes of the project include increased comfort, dignity, and inclusion for individuals with developmental disabilities at the Fair. Families and caregivers will feel more supported and more likely to attend large public events. The initiative will also improve staff awareness of the diverse needs of fairgoers and model inclusive practices for the broader community.

Over time, the long-term impact of this project will include the adoption of accessible restrooms as a standard part of fair infrastructure, the development of a scalable model for inclusive events across Oklahoma, and greater community advocacy, awareness, and representation for individuals with developmental disabilities.

50. Are you a registered vendor with the State of Oklahoma? *

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51. Are you registered as an IRS 501(c)3 organization? *	
Is the proposed vendor applicant an IRS Registered 501(c)3:	
Yes	
○ No	
52. Are you a Government entity? *	
Is the proposed vendor a Government entity:	
Yes	
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	Yes
	No
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	Yes
	○ No
58.	ID Number *
	Social Security Number, FEI Number, or OMES Supplier ID
	73-1171300
	Contact information
59.	Signatory authority *
	Name of individual with contract signatory authority / title / Phone number / email address
	Stan Sallee, TCPFA Chair - ssallee@tulsacounty.org
60.	Primary Contact: *
	Name of individual to contact regarding contract performance & operations / Title / Phone number / E-mail address
	Jessica Dvorak, Marketing & Sponsorship Consultant, 505-363-7657, jessica.dvorak@exposquare.com

61. **Legal Notices: ***

Name of individual to send legal notices / Title / Phone number / E-mail Address

Jessica Dvorak, Marketing & Sponsorship Consultant, 505-363-7657, jessica.dvorak@exposquare.com

62. Finance Contact: *

Name of individual responsible for finance and accounting / title / phone number / e-mail address

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Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon April 26-27, 2025

#RunToRemember

Event Summary Report

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22 Educational Tours



52 Restroom Guests



74
TOTAL GUESTS



Adults 61.5%

Refresh made today unbelievably easy to manage my restroom stop- this is the coolest thing ever!



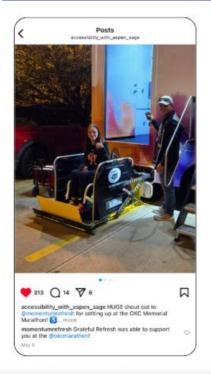


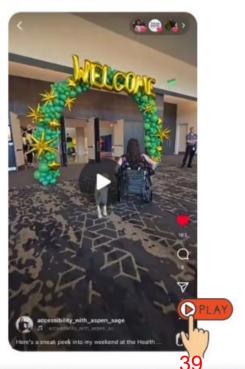
Social Media Influencer: Accessibility_with_Aspen_Sage

accessibility with aspen sage

HUGE shout out to @momentumrefresh for setting up at the OKC Memorial Marathon!
Momentum Refresh is the nation's first universally designed, ADA-compliant mobile restroom.

I can't explain how grateful I was for this option to use the restroom, especially after the run. I went to look in one of the accessible porta potties, and I was like... "I can't do it."







Social Media & Feedback



It's really great to have this at the Marathon so EVERYONE can attend events like this!







State Plan Project Quarterly Progress FY25 July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025 Quarter 3 Project Summaries

Autism Foundation of Oklahoma, LEAD Trainings

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	9	8	5	
# of family members who participated in council activity	16	26	9	
# of others who participated in council activity	125	204	158	
# of organizations trained	5	5	3	

In Quarter 3 of FY25, the Autism Foundation of Oklahoma (AFO) trained 172 individuals through Learn – Earn – Advance – Develop (L.E.A.D.) Neurodiversity in the Workplace program. Trainings were held at Tulsa Community College (165 participants), Chester's Party Barn (5), and The Gathering Place (2), with self-advocate Tyler Bond co-presenting at Tulsa Community College. AFO also soft-launched the Autism Job Board, listing five jobs from employers such as Goodwill Industries and Sisu Youth Services. Following LEAD training, The Gathering Place joined as a new employer on the platform, and Sisu reported hiring three individuals with autism or I/DD and making inclusive updates to their hiring process.

Survey feedback showed strong impact: 40% of businesses reported implementing more inclusive hiring practices, 20% had hired individuals with autism or I/DD, and the average training rating received for LEAD was 4.5 out of 5. AFO also co-hosted the successful *Ready, Set, Hire* Job Fair with DRS in Oklahoma City, with nearly 40 businesses and over 100 job seekers participating. Community engagement efforts included monthly social gatherings for young adults and the launch of a Disability Advisory Coalition with nearly 70 attendees.

Momentum increased in March, and AFO met or exceeded its goals for the year. Looking ahead, AFO is transitioning to a scalable group training model with customized sessions and a new fee structure to ensure long-term sustainability, while continuing to seek grants for free training opportunities. Several new trainings are already scheduled with partners statewide.

AutismOklahoma, LookOut Art Programming

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	10	10	30	
# of family members who participated in council activity	10	20	20	
# of others who participated in council activity	25	50	100	

In the third quarter of the LookOut program, staff member Dee Blose participated as a panelist in a nationwide webinar on adaptive art programs, discussing how to engage individuals on the autism spectrum in art activities using their interests. Dee was also featured in a video produced by the Oklahoma Arts Council. The program hosted an outreach art table at a sensory-friendly Philharmonic event and recruited new artists and an intern. Plans continued for upcoming events, including a partnership with the Philbrook Museum in May and a commissioned artwork for a car show in McAlester. Additionally, art students worked on pieces for the Duets show in April. The LookOut media/film group completed their second video on acing job interviews and provided approximately 100 hours of training to participants.

The program collaborated with 7725 Connect, Vantage Point, LifeChurch, and the Oklahoma Arts Council, achieving successful outcomes across multiple initiatives. Popup events at 7725 Connect raised around \$500 in sales and donations, and the program was invited to continue displaying art at a self-serve table in the food court. The artwork for the Duets project was completed by the February deadline, allowing for the creation of a gallery guide that acknowledges the Council as a funder. Moving forward, LookOut is focused on recruiting contract art instructors and sustaining the program through donations and volunteer support. The newly launched market site, spectrummarket.org, is helping to sell art and accept restricted donations, with recent events raising about \$500. The program continues to bring joy to artists and their families as they showcase their work.

In the 3rd quarter project meeting, strategies to promote online sales while helping participants learn about self-employment were discussed.



Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma

Best Buddies, Expansion

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	1	11	42	
# of family members who participated in council activity	0	0	0	
# of others who participated in council activity	25	42	107	

During the reporting period, Best Buddies expanded their presence in Oklahoma by partnering with several school districts and community groups to establish new chapters and strengthen existing ones. The organization made significant progress in the Tulsa area, meeting with staff at Jenks High School and Tulsa Public Schools (TPS) to launch new programs, including a pilot initiative across multiple TPS schools set to begin in fall 2025. Weekly student engagement efforts at Union High School successfully boosted participation, and outreach at parent resource fairs in districts like Bixby, Owasso, and Jenks helped raise awareness and extend the organization's reach. These efforts contributed to the program's overall goal of establishing five new chapters at Oklahoma middle and high schools during the grant period, creating more inclusive opportunities for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Despite strong turnout at events and meetings, challenges remained in getting students to complete the required online application to be officially counted in the system. To address this, Best Buddies distributed paper applications and worked with teachers and parents to improve response rates. Plans are in place to host parent nights and increase direct communication with families, especially at newer chapters like Clyde Bond Middle School. In preparation for sustainability beyond Council funding, the team began planning the Best Buddies Friendship Walk, an event that raises funds and celebrates inclusion. A key lesson this quarter was recognizing the value of building stronger communication pathways with parents to support chapter growth and student engagement.

University of Kansas Center for Research, Black Feathers podcast

The numbers represent all-time downloads as of that quarter.	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
# of podcast listeners for episode #1	110	126	138	
# of podcast listeners for episode #2	0	79	131	
# of podcast listeners for episode #3	0	0	67	
# of podcast listeners for episode #4				
# of podcast listeners for episode #5				
# of podcast listeners for episode #6				

During quarter 3, the KU team continued to advance its communications strategy for the *Black Feathers* podcast by releasing teaser content, audio highlights, and social media posts aimed at engaging tribal communities. The team actively monitored the social media platforms of 39 tribal nations to align messaging and shared experiences and sent regular alerts using a compiled communications log. However, coordinating guest schedules remained a challenge, prompting the team to pre-record two episodes in March to stay on track. Engagement metrics showed modest reach, with Facebook leading in views (1.1K), followed by LinkedIn and Twitter. As part of ongoing outreach, the team transitioned from Twitter to BlueSky and is increasing direct outreach by phone to tribal nations to encourage participation and feedback.

In terms of production and impact, two episodes were recorded this quarter, with Episode 3 focusing on newborn screenings in collaboration with Oklahoma OKDHS. While downloads (67 for Episode 3 at release) were lower than previous episodes due to the specialized content, the podcast reached listeners in multiple Oklahoma cities, 16 additional states, and even three listeners from Canada. Most listeners used Apple Podcasts on mobile devices. Despite limited participation in the Black Feathers listener survey, the team continues to collect and post relevant resources from speakers and national databases. Challenges persist in collecting detailed listener data, but the team is exploring new approaches and remains committed to delivering meaningful, culturally connected content. Looking ahead, conversations are underway to expand the podcast model to Kansas through partnerships with the Life Span Institute.

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Oklahoma Autism Center, Early Access Screenings & ADOS2 Qualified Examiner

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	0	0	0	
# of family members who participated in council activity	156	97	76	
# of others who participated in council activity	24	13	19	
# of professionals trained	131	163	114	

During this reporting period, the Early Access team delivered multiple targeted trainings to early childhood professionals across Oklahoma. In January, 14 Family Support Specialists from Child Care Resource and Referral received an expanded version of Early Access Level One training. In February, 42 providers from Muscogee Nation Head Start participated in a training on developmental monitoring and support strategies. March included a training in Oklahoma City for SoonerStart and home visiting program staff, and a two-day Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS-2) training with 48 professionals, including psychology interns and colleagues from the Oklahoma Autism Network. The team also provided direct screening services to 11 families, supported 34 others with screening-related questions, and delivered resources and referrals to 31 families and 19 community members.

In addition to training and support services, the team focused on expanding access to Spanish-speaking communities by building partnerships with bilingual providers, including those at the Super Niños clinic and Sooner SUCCESS. They began translating their *Let's Play: A Guide for Families* into Spanish and planned bilingual Early Access trainings. Efforts to support children with fetal substance exposure are also underway, with future trainings planned. The team's partnerships with childcare providers continue to grow, with an upcoming tailored training at Metro Tech with the Center for Early Childhood Professional Development (CECPD) registry approval. These activities align with the program's sustainability strategy, leveraging contracts and collaborations under related initiatives like the Preschool Development Grant from the Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness. As new populations are reached, the team is learning how best to engage and serve diverse audiences, building both infrastructure and relationships to support long-term impact.

Sooner SUCCESS, Family Respite Retreats and Sibling Overnight & Day Camps

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
# individuals with DD who participated in respite retreat	16	17	0	
# of family members who participated in respite retreat	46	20	0	
# of others who participated in respite retreat	0	0	0	
# of retreats held	1	1	0	
# individuals with DD who participated in sibling overnight camp	0	0	0	
# of siblings who participated in sibling overnight camp	0	0	0	
# of caregivers who received respite due to sibling overnight camp	0	0	0	
# of others who participated in sibling overnight camp	0	0	0	
# individuals with DD who participated in sibling day camp	0	0	0	
# of siblings who participated in sibling day camp	0	0	0	
# of caregivers who received respite due to sibling day camp	0	0	0	
# of others who participated in sibling day camp	0	0	0	
# of sibling day camps held	0	0	0	

During the reporting period, Sooner SUCCESS made significant progress in organizing caregiver retreats and Sibling Camp events to provide respite and support for families of individuals with developmental disabilities. The Oklahoma Family Caregiver Respite Retreat Interest Form, launched in December 2024, has received 171 submissions, underscoring the overwhelming demand for caregiver support, which far exceeds current capacity. Spring caregiver retreats are scheduled for April in Tulsa and May in Oklahoma City, each designed to serve 36 caregivers with personalized welcome baskets and engaging self-care activities, including music, massage, yoga, and therapeutic art. Planning efforts began in January, with both regional teams successfully coordinating logistics, speakers, and activities. The OKC retreat will feature presentations from DDS/Liberty, DDCO, and Dr. Bobby Kern on the importance of respite.

Sibling Camp is set for late April at the J.D. McCarty Center, offering siblings of children with special needs a rare opportunity to bond, learn, and enjoy shared experiences. This unique camp promotes self-advocacy, social skill development, and confidence through immersive and inclusive programming. To broaden access, new day camp versions are being introduced across the state. Planning included family interviews to tailor experiences and ensure camp readiness, and 13 volunteers, including a behavioral specialist, were confirmed to help support campers with higher needs. Despite successes, challenges remain—most notably in recruiting male volunteers and managing the increasing costs of lodging and supplies. Sooner SUCCESS continues to refine its models, expand outreach, and pursue sustainable funding to ensure these valuable programs can serve more families in the future.

Oklahoma Family Network, Joining Forces Conference

March 28, 2025	
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	10
# of family members who participated in council activity	118
# of others who participated in council activity	287

The 18th Annual Joining Forces: Supporting Family-Professional Partnerships Conference was held on March 28, 2025, with its main site at the Champion Event Center in Oklahoma City and five additional remote locations in Enid, Poteau, Tulsa, Okmulgee, and Duncan. With a theme of *PartnerSHIPS: Charting the Course*, the conference featured opening speaker Ellen Buettner, CEO of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, and keynote speakers Autumn Cooper of the Oklahoma State Department of Health and Daniel Durany, an autism advocate. A total of 415 attendees, a 120% increase from 2024, participated, including 128 families/self-advocates and 287 professionals. Breakout sessions at each site addressed local partnership opportunities, while the Whova app helped unite attendees statewide through networking and resource sharing. Notably, 46.3% of attendees were from rural areas, highlighting the value of hosting the event across multiple sites for broader access and inclusion.

This long-standing conference, now in its 18th year, is built on the strength of a committed Planning Committee with both long-time and new partners, including state agencies, Tribal Nations, educational institutions, advocacy groups, and community organizations. Hosted by Oklahoma Family Network (OFN), a 501(c)(3), the conference is supported through biennial golf tournament proceeds, annual fundraising, and contributions from more than 15 sponsoring groups. Additional in-kind donations and day-of-event support help keep the conference low-cost and widely accessible. OFN remains committed to sustaining this event for years to come by maintaining minimal costs and strong community partnerships.

Key lessons learned from the 2025 conference include the need for stronger IT infrastructure at remote sites to ensure more inclusive two-way communication and improving Spanish-language accommodations outside the main location. The conference continues to focus on increasing awareness and practical skills for family-professional partnerships, empowering individuals with developmental disabilities and special health care needs and supporting leadership and advocacy. Attendees reported high satisfaction, with 98% stating their knowledge increased and 95.5% making new connections for future collaboration, underscoring the powerful impact of this statewide event.





The 2025 Joining Forces Conference was held on March 28th, 2025. This year's conference was hosted at the Champion Event Center located at 737 S. Meridian Avenue in Oklahoma City and was live-streamed to remote sites in Enid, Poteau, Tulsa, Okmulgee, and Duncan. The theme this year was PartnerSHIPS: Charting the Course. The opening speaker was Ellen Buettner, Chief Executive Officer of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, and the keynote speakers, Autumn Cooper, Oklahoma State Department of Health, and Daniel Durany, Advocate and Individual with Autism. All attendees at each site were able to listen and learn from each of the speakers and each site planned and hosted site-specific breakout sessions addressing partnerships and opportunities in their communities. This was the largest in-person Joining Forces Conference with 415 attendees, a 120% increase from 2024. The Whova App was used to engage attendees across the state and encourage resource sharing and networking. Accommodations were provided for Spanish-speaking attendees. We are grateful to the Developmental Disabilities Council for their support in allowing OFN and our many partners to provide this opportunity to families, advocates, and professionals across the state.

The 18th Annual Joining Forces: Supporting Family Professional Partnerships Conference brings together local, state, and national leaders to discuss best practices and promising practices in the area of family-professional partnerships. Participants gain knowledge and practical tools to use as they work together in support of a good life for the person with special health care needs, intellectual disabilities, and other Oklahomans. The conference also offers opportunities for making connections with professionals, families, and others for future partnership activities.

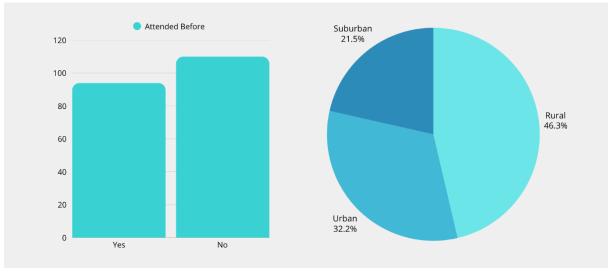
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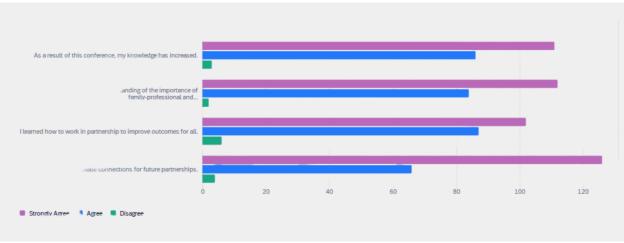
- Increase awareness of the importance of family and professional partnerships
- Increase family partnerships in the development, implementation, and evaluation of programs
- Increase leadership and partnership skills
- Identify opportunities for family leadership
- Support professional and family members as they partner to improve services for a "good life"

This year was the second year to host at multiple sites across the state to provide easier access and convenience for attendees.

Below are charts showing demographics and evaluation data. 213 evaluations were completed.

JOINING FORCES 2025 - MARCH 28, 2025 Enid - 42 Duncan - 32 Muscogee - 33 OKC - 184 Poteau - 27 Tulsa - 97 Total Attendees - 415





Partnership Awards were presented at each site to recognize an outstanding partnership making a difference in each community.

Joining Forces Partnership Award Winners

Tulsa Area - Cynthia Mooney with Mental Health Association of Tulsa

Cynthia Mooney, who runs the Tulsa Chldren's Behavioral Health Partnership in Tulsa truly follows each of these seven partner values. Cynthia is supportive of each event that Oklahoma Family Network does in the City of Tulsa. She will sit on planning committes, offer to come and set-up and clean-up, makes copies when we need and always shares all of our information to community partners. The award should go to Cynthia at the Tulsa Partnership. Cynthia asks the Mental Health Association for donations for our OFN events (including Joining Forces) I truly can't think of a better partner for this award than Cynthia.



Muscogee (Creek) Nation - Community and Human Services Department



The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Community and Human Services Department and Cynthia Smith are vital partners in the community and with the Oklahoma Family Network. They are always willing to step up and partner to meet the needs of the families they serve. Always recognizing the need to partner, knowing we can accomplish more when we work together all while respecting, valuing and accepting those they are working with.

Joining Forces Partnership Award Winners

Duncan Area - Stephens County Sooner Start

The Sooner Start teams are dedicated to meeting the unique needs of each family they support. They continuously seek innovative approaches to engage both caregivers and children, fostering meaningful connections. Through collaboration with other Text for Duncan





Enid Area - Central Christian Church



the home for the Foster Feet program, which provides new shoes and coats in the community for children and youth. They also opened their doors when it was recognized that Sundays were the only day our unsheltered and food-insecure individuals and families didn't have a meal. They created the Welcome Table and currently serve around 150 meals each week with the help of volunteers in the community. During the last year there was an opportunity for our community to host a family resource center for an after-school program for students needing help with their work and additional family support the FRC team and the church were able to come to an agreement that the FRC could be housed at the church and the church stepped up to help do some renovating to support the project. They have also hosted events such a sensory-free movie night and Enid Civitan dances for individuals with special needs. By

working with other partners to provide services for the families and individuals from all ages and walks of life they have truly stepped up and became a partner that will have an impact on families all across our community

Over the years the Central Christian Church has been

Joining Forces Partnership Award Winners

OKC Area - NorthCare Logan County



Just over a year ago, NorthCare received a grant to expand services in the Logan County area. Since then, NorthCare staff have become trusted and key members of the community. NorthCare's two Logan County programs, the outpatient program and the crisis center, demonstrate the Seven Partner Values on a consistent basis.



Poteau Area - Carl Albert State College



President Jay Falkner and staff go above and beyond to help with community programs. They host Coalition Meetings, Joining Forces Events, Pervasive Parenting Center Events including the Youth Expedition, and have created the Harbor to help with mental health issues in the area. No matter what Oklahoma Family Network or our families need CASC and it's employees step up to the plate. Providing a facility to have meetings, our LeFlore Co. Coalition for Healthy Living , The new Clinical High Risk for Phycosis program and so much more. From the warm inviting atmosphere of the 1507 Cafe to the great folks in the mail room, to the staff in the President's office. Everyone is always willing to go the extra mile to ensure that the families and individuals in our area recieve their very best. No matter if it's planning a conference a year ahead or having an emergency meeting, Dr. Jay Falkner, CASC and it's staff are someone you can trust to help all they can.

Below are some comments/feedback from the evaluations:

- It was wonderful to have breakout presenters/speakers at this satellite site. I found those satellite speakers very informative.
- This was a great event Love the keynote speakers the best and the opportunity to connect with others and learn what others are doing
- ❖ I absolutely loved everybody who talked and came. It felt like one big family and the community coming together to raise awareness & that people are not alone!
- ❖ This was my first Joining Forces event. I thoroughly enjoyed every part of it! I made new connections and learned so much. Thank you and I look forward to the next one!
- ❖ Had a great experience and made new valuable contacts.
- The information this year was very pointed and meaningful to my professional and personal life. The keynote speakers were fantastic!
- ❖ I look forward to this conference. Once again, it was inspiring. The speakers were excellent, the organization and facilitation were impressive, including the communication leading up to the event. Also, I very much appreciate the low-key atmosphere allowing us to have autonomy and connect at our own pace/comfort level, while also having plenty to keep us interested. Well Done!

Some lessons learned:

- Improve captioning and translation support at remote sites
- Too many emails through the Whova App
- Roundtable Sessions could have been shorter
- Improve the timing and coordination of the start of live stream speakers
- ❖ Provide microphones at remote sites for better 2 way communication and participation

The Oklahoma Family Network will continue planning and hosting the Annual Joining Forces Conference in partnership with many state agencies, and non-profit and community organizations. The sustainability plan has always been to utilize resources and partnerships written into grants, contracts, and generous in-kind contributions. This conference is all about partnering together to improve services and supports throughout Oklahoma and it all starts with the planning committee members and the contribution of time and resources to make it happen.

Oklahoma APSE 2025 Conference

April 1-2, 2025 in OKC	
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	7
# of family members who participated in council activity	5
# of others who participated in council activity	179

Summary of Activities and Outcomes:

The OK APSE Conference successfully delivered 8.5 hours of training across a two-day event, featuring a diverse lineup of both state and national presenters. The conference focused on increasing awareness and understanding of disability services, independent living, and employment support. Survey feedback reflected strong outcomes: 73% of attendees strongly agreed they learned new ideas, 61% gained skills, and nearly half reported improved ability to engage with people with disabilities. The event also enhanced participants' understanding of how to support individuals with disabilities within their communities.

Collaboration and Community Impact:

The conference fostered robust collaboration with several organizations, including DDCO, DHS/DDS, DRS, Viability, DRTC, and Rise Staffing, contributing either financially or through in-kind support. It provided a platform for collaboration among speakers, exhibitors, and attendees representing a broad range of disability-focused organizations. Participants highlighted increased access to resources, enhanced professional networking, and strengthened partnerships aimed at promoting inclusive employment and independent living.

Successes, Feedback, and Future Topics:

Attendee feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with 72.92% expressing extreme satisfaction with the event and facility. Keynotes from Kevin McShan and Chuck Roberts, breakout sessions, networking opportunities, and access to resources were repeatedly cited as highlights. Participants valued the diversity of topics and speakers and suggested future sessions focus on job development, assistive technology, autism, rural services, and self-advocacy. The conference was praised for enhancing awareness, knowledge, and practical strategies to better serve individuals with disabilities across Oklahoma.

OK APSE Conference 2025.

6. Summary of activities

- 1. Delivered 8.5 training hours through a 2-day conference
 - a. 73% attended strongly agreed that the event gave them an opportunity to learn new ideas
 - b. 61% attended strongly agreed that event helped them build skills
 - c. 47.83% attended strongly agreed the event improved their ability to engage with persons with disabilities
 - c. 68.09% attended strongly agreed that the event helped them understand how to support people with disabilities in the community.
- 2. Utilized Oklahoman's and National presenters in the field of disabilities.
- 3. Provided opportunities to increase knowledgebase of services and support for people with disabilities.
- 4. Increased networking opportunities.
- 5. Increased awareness of available resources.

7. Collaboration

- a. The event enabled the OK APSE Council to collaborate with DDCO, DHS/DDS, DRS, Viability, DRTC, Rise Staffing as financial contributors and/or inkind support.
- b. Collaboration between exhibitors representing organizations/businesses
- c. Collaboration with speakers/presenters who value the mission/vision of OK APSE and providing an opportunity to increase knowledge in the field.
- d. Collaboration with attendees who are representatives of organizations who support individuals with disabilities gaining/maintaining independent living and/or employment.

8. Successes and Accomplishments

- a. developed and delivered a 2-day conference to increase employment and independent living opportunities for individuals with disabilities.
- b. Increased access to resources.
- c. Increased awareness of available employment opportunities, services and support.
- d. Increased knowledgebase to service providers / front-line support representatives.
- e. Increased opportunity for networking and collaboration.
- f. Enhancing awareness of the rights and contributions of people with disabilities
- g. Enhancing disability-inclusive development and awareness
- h. Opportunities for individuals with disabilities to share personal success stories, personal strategies to overcome barriers, personal goals, and service / support recommendations.

9. What's working

- -72.92% of attendees were extremely satisfied with the event/facility.
- -Employer engagement
- -Network opportunities
- -Event location / facility accessible
- -Diversity of attendees, i.e., frontline staff working to improve the quality of life for individuals/families.
- -Variety of Speakers/Presenters.
- -Keynotes Kevin McShan and Chuck Roberts
- -Access to resources.

- -knowledge about the transportation programs available to agencies and clients.
- -Interacting with fellow provider agencies and case managers and gaining more knowledge from them.
- -The format of the conference and the selection of breakout sessions.
- -The collaboration between various types of service agencies and individuals with disabilities.
- -Time to collaborate with colleagues.
- -Session Diversity.
- -Evening social event.
- -Learning about the different things that are available for people with disabilities.
- -ability to make professional connections within the field of inclusive employment.
- -Hearing personal success stories and strategies to overcome barriers.
- -Specific sessions, such as:

Al-Powered Strategies for Future-Ready Disability Services: Leveraging Al to Improve Employment, Service and Strategic Planning, Grant Writing and Policy Development - Boosting Efficiency and Impact by Erik Nelson and Brian Prosser, SET Works; Colorado's Transition Away from 14C by Adam Tucker Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing and Jenny Jordan, HCBS Benefits Manager overseeing Benefits Planning and Supported Employment; Promoting Safety in the Community by Stan Campbell, President IDD Safe and Rob High, IDD Safe Training Director.

-Increase family partnerships: "From Adversity to Ally: Removing Roadblocks to Effective Parent Partnerships", offered good and simple ideas to better partner with parents/family members.

10. What's not working

- a. Attendees requested more information on the following topics in the future:
 - 1. Job Development
 - 2. Creative Assistive Technology
 - 3. Rural resources
 - 4. Ideas to assist an individual to self-advocate
 - 5. Ideas for working with visually impaired or blind individuals
 - 6. Customized employment
 - 7. Ideas on supporting individuals with ASD in employment
 - 8. Assessment tools
- b. Attendees requested a longer evening social event.
- c. Attendees requested offering training topics more than once.

11. Sustainability

- a. continue to collaborate with disability organization stakeholders
- b. develop quarterly virtual newsletter to stay connected
 - 1. incorporate individual success stories
- c. increase OK APSE membership

12. Lessons learned

- a. add a pre-conference option to increase CRC and/or LPC training opportunities
- b. reconsider utilizing presenters, via zoom. Some attendees like this and some did not.

2025 Pervasive Parenting Southeast Region Youth Summit

June 2025 in Poteau	
# individuals with DD who participated in council activity	32
# of family members who participated in council activity	19
# of others who participated in council activity	7

Advocacy Leadership Camp Overview

From June 4–7, 2025, the Pervasive Parenting Center (PPC), in collaboration with multiple partner organizations including the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma (DDCO), Carl Albert State College, the Choctaw Nation, and others, hosted a four-day Advocacy Leadership Training Camp at Carl Albert State College in Poteau, Oklahoma. The camp was designed for youth and young adults (ages 14–24) with developmental and other disabilities, and provided inclusive, family-friendly programming. Of the 36 who registered, 29 youth participated—25 as residential campers and four as commuters—alongside eight parent participants. Campers stayed in dormitories to encourage independence and peer connection in a structured, supportive environment.

Skills Development and Program Impact

Camp activities focused on building key life and advocacy skills through interactive breakout sessions and themed games such as "Family Feud" for goal setting, "Jeopardy" for self-advocacy, and "Wheel of Fortune" for self-care. Additional sessions addressed healthy relationships, financial literacy, communication, and transition planning. Evening social activities, including bingo and a dance, encouraged bonding and engagement. The camp also featured specialized workshops like Improv Communication, yoga for stress management, and a "Telling Your Story" advocacy session. The final day included a keynote on suicide awareness in the autism community, followed by recognition of participants and a self-advocate panel. Campers reported increased confidence, skills, and motivation to advocate for themselves and others.

Lessons Learned and Continued Growth

The success of the camp highlighted the importance of collaboration and camper feedback. Minor logistical issues, such as check-in and campus transportation, were addressed with the addition of a golf cart for medically fragile participants. PPC has secured many supplies for future camps and continues to build partnerships to sustain the program through in-kind donations. The long-term impact is evident through camper achievements, including organizing disability awareness events and participating in statewide advocacy forums. The camp continues to grow a network of empowered young leaders ready to promote inclusion and create meaningful change in their communities. There have been several former campers who have not only attended YLF but have also participated in Autism Day at the Capitol.

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Advocacy Leadership Camp Summary

Hosted by the Pervasive Parenting Center and Partner Organizations June 4–7 | Carl Albert State College, Poteau, Oklahoma

The Pervasive Parenting Center (PPC), in collaboration with the Developmental Disabilities Council of Oklahoma (DDCO), Carl Albert State College, the Choctaw Nation, Oklahoma Family Network (OFN), the Autism Foundation of Oklahoma, and the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS), hosted a four-day Advocacy Leadership Training Camp in Eastern Oklahoma. The event, offered at no cost to participants, was open to the public and primarily focused on youth and young adults with developmental and other disabilities. While the core curriculum was tailored to young adults, the camp included inclusive, family-friendly activities to engage all attendees.

Program Overview

Held on the campus of Carl Albert State College in Poteau, the camp offered youth the opportunity to stay in campus dormitories, promoting independence and peer connection in a supportive environment.

On Wednesday, June 4, 25 residential campers and 4 commuting participants began the experience with a structured check-in and orientation. The day included icebreaker activities and team-building exercises led by peer counselors, followed by dinner in the campus cafeteria, recreational games, and social time to help build relationships among participants.

Skill-Building Activities & Sessions

Thursday and Friday featured a full day of rotating breakout sessions focused on building key skills in the areas of self-advocacy, employment, social interaction, and daily living. Campers were divided into eight rotating teams and participated in a series of interactive, themed sessions, including:

- "Family Feud" Goal-setting and planning
- "Jeopardy" Self-advocacy skills
- "Wheel of Fortune" Self-care strategies
- Team-Building Challenges
- Healthy Relationships Education
- Financial Literacy Workshops

Additional sessions included an Improv Communication Workshop led by Carly Dummit and Kyle Britt from the Autism Foundation of Oklahoma. This engaging session used theatrical techniques to enhance social and verbal communication skills.

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Joni Bruce of OFN provided Transition Notebook Training, helping students and families better prepare for adulthood and independence.

Campers also participated in yoga to reinforce self-care practices and stress management. This was provided by Brittany Couch with the Department of Mental Health.

Campers also participated in art therapy, where they created paintings representing what brings them joy.

Evening activities included bingo for socialization and relaxation.

On Friday, the improv session and breakouts continue. Campers also participated in **yoga** to reinforce self-care practices and stress management.

Tana Hanson of OFN, along with camper Taygen Kinder, facilitated a "Telling Your Story" workshop, encouraging campers to develop personal narratives they can use for advocacy and leadership opportunities.

Clifford Sipes with the Department of Mental Health gave a presentation on self-regulation.

The day concluded with a dance—an exciting highlight for many campers. Meals, including breakfast, lunch, and dinner, were provided by PPC throughout the event.

Saturday: Reflection & Recognition

The final day, Saturday, June 7, began with breakfast and featured inspiring keynote speaker Carley Dummitt with the Autism Foundation of Oklahoma. She talked about suicide awareness in people on the autism spectrum. She also debuted her documentary on the subject to the campers.

Following the keynote presentations, participants received certificates of completion, presented by team leaders and peer counselors. The camp concluded with a self-advocate panel featuring veteran campers who reflected on their experiences and encouraged others to pursue their goals.

Participation & Impact

• Total Youth Participants: 29

Pre-Registrations: 36Dorm Residents: 25

• Commuters: 4

• Parent Participants: 8

• Nurse Visits: 2 (all minor incidents)

The event was made possible through generous in-kind support from Carl Albert State College, with special thanks to President Jay Falkner for providing facilities.

Participant Feedback

"Because of the camp I have helped advocate for myself and others including at the Capitol." — Konner Toney, Panama

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"I went to Oklahoma City, to the Capitol, and spoke up about bills and laws that would affect me and others like me because of things I've learned here." — *Kimberly Mathews*, *Heavener*

"Because of what I learned here last year, in April I helped organize an autism awareness day at my work." — *Bailey Hughey, Roland*

Data from Council Listening sessions 2020

All sessions were held virtually. Below provides the date, topic or location and how many attended. No note of repeat attendees.

- 1. 7/21/2020 Supporting Tribal Nations of OK #1 15
- 2. 7/13/2020 open topic 25
- 3. 7/14/2020 OKC and Central OK 28
- 4. 7/15/2020 Social Justice 25
- 5. 7/17/2020 Tulsa and Northeastern OK 9
- 6. 7/17/2020 Lawton 9
- 7. 7/20/2020 Health and Wellness 17
- 8. 7/20/2020 Open topic 15
- 9. 7/21/2020 Supporting Tribal Nations of OK #2 9
- 10.7/28/2020 Open topic 15
- 11.7/29/2020 Great lives across the lifespan 16
- 12.7/30/2020 Education 14
- 13.7/31/2020 Technology and Assistive Technology 18
- 14.8/3/2020 Advocacy and Self-Advocacy 12
- 15.8/3/2020 Safety and Prevention of Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitations 10
- 16.8/4/2020 McAlester and Southeastern OK -12
- 17.8/5/2020 Employment 18
- 18.8/6/2020 OK Panhandle and Northwestern OK 8

Summary Report on 2025 Listening Session Attendance

Wendy Morton will attend the State Plan Committee Meeting on Friday, August 15th to report to the State Plan Committee. She will go over the findings from the surveys, including major themes and what topics we might consider focusing on for our next 5 Year Plan.

Attendance Data from Listening Sessions to date

25 Total Listening Sessions (includes 3 pilot sessions and 1 conference breakout)

- 18 Virtual Sessions were scheduled
 - o 16 were held, at various times on various days
 - o 2 were canceled because of no attendance
 - o many sessions were changed from in-person to virtual due to low enrollment at rural sites
- 7 In-Person Sessions were held
 - o DDCO Staff
 - o DDCO Council
 - o OKC
 - o Owasso
 - o Ada
 - OK APSE Conference Breakout
 - Staff at the Sequoyah Building

127 total in attendance, approximately (over 220 people had signed up)

- 67 Virtual
- 60 In person

Most of the in-person sessions in rural areas had very low registration numbers and were either switched to virtual or canceled altogether.

We still have online surveys to collect data from. At last count, we had over 60 online surveys submitted.