



**OKLAHOMA**  
**Rehabilitation Services**

# *Commission for Rehabilitation Services*

**Commissioners**

**➤ Janet Barresi, Theresa Flannery, and Kelsey Lee**

Regular Meeting  
and Video Conferencing

3535 NW 58<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200  
Oklahoma City, OK

March 12, 2025

Empowering Oklahomans with Disabilities

**State of Oklahoma  
Commission for Rehabilitation Services  
Regular Commission Meeting  
March 12, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.**

Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services  
3535 NW 58th Street, Suite 200  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Commissioners: Theresa Flannery, Chair; Dr. Janet Barresi, Vice Chair; and  
Kelsey Lee, Member.

Commission Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1606426105>  
Phone: 669-254-5252; Webinar ID: 160 642 6105

Public Comment: To sign up to speak virtually, please contact the Assistant to the Commission no later than 5:00 PM on Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at (405) 951-3472 or Kathleen.Arrieta@okdrs.gov. If speaking in person, please sign up on arrival prior to the start of the meeting. Public comments will be limited to three minutes per person.

## **AGENDA**

### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

*Theresa Flannery, Chair*

### **2. Statement of Compliance with the Open Meeting Act**

*Kathleen Arrieta, Commission Assistant*

### **3. Public Comments**

*Public Audience* - Under Oklahoma Open Meeting Laws, the Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services cannot respond to or discuss any matter not on today's agenda.

### **4. Presentation of Longevity Certificates**

*Theresa Flannery, Chair*

### **5. Executive Director's Report**

*Melinda Fruendt, Executive Director*

- a) Executive Director Certificates of Appreciation
- b) Presentation of the Executive Director's Award
- c) Report on meetings attended and department updates.
- d) Possible discussion

### **6. Spotlight: Stephanie Glynn, OSB Student**

- a) Introduction by Superintendent Pearce
- b) Possible discussion

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- 7. Chief Financial Officer's Report** Page 9  
*Kevin Statham, CFO*  
 a) Financial Status Report for FY 25  
 b) Possible discussion
- 8. Legislative Report** Page 17  
*Jennifer Hardin, Legislative Liaison*  
 a) Status of commission expansion  
 b) Status of legislative bills  
 c) Possible discussion
- 9. Statewide Independent Living Council Report** Page 43  
*Sidna Madden-Trimnell, Executive Director*  
 a) Report on activities and board members  
 b) Possible discussion
- 10. Oklahoma Rehabilitation Council (ORC)** Page 46  
*Carolina Colclasure, Program Manager*  
 a) Report on the strategic plan and committee updates.  
 b) Possible discussion
- 11. Human Resources Report** Page 50  
*Tom Patt, HR Director*  
 a) Personnel Activity report & current FTE Status  
 b) Possible discussion
- 12. Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Report** Page 56  
*Mark Kinnison, Division Administrator*  
 a) Report on state performance measures, production totals and departmental updates.  
 b) Priority Group / Portal Referral Updates  
 c) Possible discussion
- 13. Overview of Oklahoma Tribal Vocation Rehabilitation (OKTVR) Council** Page 63  
*Jon Ringlero, DRS Tribal Liaison*  
 a) Overview of OKTVR Council.  
 b) Possible discussion.

- 14. Overview of Corrective Action Plans (CAPs)** Page 65  
*Stephanie Roe, Project Coordinator*  
 a) Overview of current Corrective Actions Plans  
 b) Possible discussion
- 15. Review of the Minutes of the January 8, 2025, Commission Meeting** Page 70  
*Theresa Flannery, Chair*  
 a) Discussion and possible action to modify and/or approve the minutes.
- 16. Acceptance of Donations to the Oklahoma School for the Blind (OSB)** Page 76  
*Brent Pearce, Superintendent*  
 a) Donation Reports for January and February 2025  
 b) Discussion and possible action to accept the donations
- 17. Acceptance of Donations to the Oklahoma School for the Deaf (OSD)** Page 79  
*Dr. Heather Laine, Superintendent*  
 a) Donation Reports for January and February 2025  
 b) Discussion and possible action to accept the donations.
- 18. Acceptance of Donations to the Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (OLBPH)** Page 82  
*Kevin Treese, Program Manager, SBVI*  
 a) Donation Reports for January and February 2025  
 b) Discussion and possible action to accept the donations.
- 19. New Business**  
*Theresa Flannery, Chair*  
 Any matter not known about, or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting (24 hours prior to the meeting) as authorized by 25 O.S. § 311.
- 20. Adjourn**  
*Theresa Flannery, Chair*  
 a) Discussion and possible action

*Note: "Possible action" by the Commission includes, but is not limited to approval, authorization, adoption, rejection, denial, amendment, taking no action, or tabling the item for disposition at a later date or time.*

**Next Regular Commission meeting: Wednesday, April 16, 2025**



# Executive Director's Report

**Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT  
March 12, 2025**

**Remembrance**

**Dr. Herbert Meites** passed away on December 14. Dr. Meites started with the Disability Determination Services in March 2013. As a Medical Consultant, Dr. Meites was known for his patience and passion for sharing his vast medical knowledge with his colleagues and DDS Examiner staff. He was first and foremost a gentleman in every sense of the word and he will be dearly missed.

**Dr. James “Jimmy” Scott** passed away January 1, 2025. He served as a valuable member of the psychological clinician team for over 5 years. He had a great sense of humor and loved to organize social gatherings for the clinicians. He will be greatly missed.

**Executive  
December**

- 12 – Business Services Impact Meeting.
- 13 – SILC and DSE meeting with Administration on Community Living; New View Stakeholders Meeting.
- 16 – OKIPSE, DRS and Career Tech meeting.
- 17 – New Employee Academy for VR/SBVI employees.
- 19 – OSB Christmas Program.
- 20-31 – Annual Leave and Holiday Leave.

**January**

- 1-3 – Holiday and Annual Leave.
- 6-10 – Enforced Leave.
- 13 – House Human Services Oversight Committee meeting.
- 14 – Human Services Directors/Legislative Liaisons meeting; DRS Leadership meeting on Governor’s EO on Return to Work.
- 15 – RSA Quarterly meeting on VR/SBVI programs.
- 16 – Meeting with Senator Stanley.
- 20 – Martin Luther King Day observed.
- 21 – Senate Budget Hearing.
- 22 – House Budget Hearing; VR/SBVI meeting with VR TAC-QM.
- 23 – ORC Executive Committee meeting; Meeting with Representative Pae and Representative Gise; Workforce Partnership Meeting.
- 24-25 – Oklahoma School for the Blind – South Central Association of Schools for the Blind.
- 27-29 – Sick Leave
- 30 – VR TAC Monitoring meeting.

**February**

- 4 – VR/SBVI Performance Team meeting.
- 6 – Oklahoma Works Workforce Board and LEO Retreat/Training.
- 10 – OKIPSE Check-in.

11 – Human Services Directors/Legislative Liaisons Meeting.  
 13 – ORC Quarterly meeting.  
 17 – President’s Day – Holiday.  
 24 – OSD Accreditation Meeting.  
 27 – VR/SBVI Awards Celebration Welcome; Workforce Summit.  
 28 – Think College Network Meeting.

### **March**

3 -RSA Pre-ETS Monitoring Meeting.  
 4 – VR/SBVI Performance Meeting.  
 11 – PWDAD.  
 12 – Commission for Rehabilitation Services Meeting.

### **Process Improvement (PI) – Lyuda Polyun**

#### **AWARE**

Conducting extensive data cleanup and working with OU Pre-Ets and the University of Missouri to clean up student service data to improve the accuracy of the RSA-911 report.

Successfully upgraded AWARE to version 2024.2.

Facilitating basic AWARE training for new staff.

Brenda Brasher and David Unklesbay successfully completed the main portion of AWARE System Administrator boot camp.

### **Program Standards, Statistical Research, Data Dashboards**

The 2024 Open Case Client Satisfaction survey calls have been completed by ORC. The Process Improvement research team has begun data analysis.

The staff continue to work on ongoing projects including the Needs Assessment and Power BI training.

As of December 16, the Counselor survey analysis is complete, and the report is in initial review.

### **Power Business Intelligence (BI)**

Continuing the training in Coursera.

Continuing to work with our Power BI contractor to transition reports currently hosted in Tableau to the Power BI service. These reports, primarily used by DVR/SBVI Leadership. The contract with the contractor has been extended until 06/30/2025.

Completed projected with Chris Compton, VR/SBVI Transition, so he could automate his Contracts with Adobe Sign.

Completed the service account creation with OMES to use with Power Automate for Quality Assurance and completed the process for 11/24 and 12/24.

Ongoing AT testing with Dana Primm and Power BI.

Working on automating the QA process to send out emails to the owners.

***Respectfully submitted by  
Melinda Fruendt, Executive Director***





# Chief Financial Officer's Report

## Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 25

As of January 31, 2025

Agency Summary						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	98,019,646.00	49.2%	49,320,435.60	50.3%	47,908,869.83	99.2%
Travel	1,343,060.00	0.7%	796,955.18	59.3%	21,607.21	60.9%
General Operating	29,323,951.00	14.7%	10,388,559.75	35.4%	12,341,424.55	77.5%
Office Furniture & Equipment	1,884,330.00	0.9%	280,330.89	14.9%	733,222.44	53.8%
Client / General Assistance	57,456,079.00	28.8%	18,380,490.12	32.0%	33,696,451.86	90.6%
Indirect Cost	11,335,951.00	5.7%	6,185,622.64	54.6%	5,150,328.36	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>199,363,017.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>85,352,394.18</b>	<b>42.8%</b>	<b>99,851,904.25</b>	<b>92.9%</b>

## Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 25

As of January 31, 2025

<b>All Programs</b>						
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind &amp; Visually Impaired</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	31,341,077.00	32.0%	15,228,060.11	48.6%	15,889,760.74	99.3%
Travel	985,400.00	1.0%	603,963.63	61.3%	100.00	61.3%
General Operating	11,553,369.00	11.8%	4,402,811.74	38.1%	6,253,244.08	92.2%
Office Furniture & Equipment	813,637.00	0.8%	108,734.24	13.4%	291,406.35	49.2%
Client / General Assistance	48,471,079.00	49.5%	14,768,286.98	30.5%	28,545,680.19	89.4%
Indirect Cost	4,669,771.00	4.8%	2,575,034.44	55.1%	2,094,736.56	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>97,834,333.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>37,686,891.14</b>	<b>38.5%</b>	<b>53,074,927.92</b>	<b>92.8%</b>
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation Grant</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	28,555,136.00	31.1%	13,776,596.94	48.2%	14,605,301.92	99.4%
Travel	959,400.00	1.0%	582,581.72	60.7%	100.00	60.7%
General Operating	9,640,549.00	10.5%	4,176,703.11	43.3%	4,572,000.91	90.7%
Office Furniture & Equipment	613,131.00	0.7%	70,969.25	11.6%	291,151.35	59.1%
Client / General Assistance	47,709,667.00	52.0%	14,508,294.54	30.4%	28,137,739.81	89.4%
Indirect Cost	4,358,379.00	4.7%	2,402,215.73	55.1%	1,956,163.27	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>91,836,262.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>35,517,361.29</b>	<b>38.7%</b>	<b>49,562,457.26</b>	<b>92.6%</b>

## Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 25

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<b>All Programs</b>						
<b>Oklahoma School for the Blind</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	7,516,825.00	73.1%	4,072,873.78	54.2%	3,316,601.59	98.3%
Travel	68,200.00	0.7%	31,294.06	45.9%	300.00	46.3%
General Operating	1,535,548.00	14.9%	596,286.64	38.8%	959,746.29	101.3%
Office Furniture & Equipment	340,088.00	3.3%	57,952.55	17.0%	165,446.79	65.7%
Client / General Assistance	53,000.00	0.5%	8,709.45	16.4%	0.00	16.4%
Indirect Cost	765,664.00	7.4%	444,343.57	58.0%	321,320.43	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,279,325.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,211,460.05</b>	<b>50.7%</b>	<b>4,763,415.10</b>	<b>97.0%</b>

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<b>All Programs</b>						
<b>Oklahoma School for the Deaf</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	9,511,523.00	45.7%	4,404,443.37	46.3%	4,997,851.45	98.9%
Travel	140,700.00	0.7%	97,207.47	69.1%	363.71	69.3%
General Operating	9,105,525.00	43.8%	2,653,819.46	29.1%	1,560,407.15	46.3%
Office Furniture & Equipment	607,845.00	2.9%	97,680.17	16.1%	276,369.30	61.5%
Client / General Assistance	431,000.00	2.1%	62,974.86	14.6%	191,290.50	59.0%
Indirect Cost	995,725.00	4.8%	517,312.89	52.0%	478,412.11	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,792,318.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>7,833,438.22</b>	<b>37.7%</b>	<b>7,504,694.22</b>	<b>73.8%</b>

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<b>All Programs</b>						
<b>Disability Determination Services</b>						
	Budget	% of Total Budget	Expenditures	% Expended	Encumbrances	% Used
Personnel	40,421,259.00	69.5%	21,084,371.46	52.2%	19,148,186.64	99.5%
Travel	69,500.00	0.1%	16,521.28	23.8%	20,843.50	53.8%
General Operating	4,196,880.00	7.2%	1,712,778.29	40.8%	2,217,818.42	93.7%
Office Furniture & Equipment	43,059.00	0.1%	4,484.99	10.4%	0.00	10.4%
Client / General Assistance	8,501,000.00	14.6%	3,540,518.83	41.6%	4,959,481.17	100.0%
Indirect Cost	4,898,302.00	8.4%	2,645,526.29	54.0%	2,252,775.71	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,130,000.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>29,004,201.14</b>	<b>49.9%</b>	<b>28,599,105.44</b>	<b>99.1%</b>

## Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 25

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<b>All Programs DRS Support Services</b>						
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>% of Total Budget</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>% Expended</b>	<b>Encumbrances</b>	<b>% Used</b>
Personnel	9,228,962.00	74.9%	4,530,686.88	49.1%	4,556,469.41	98.5%
Travel	79,260.00	0.6%	47,968.74	60.5%	0.00	60.5%
General Operating	2,932,629.00	23.8%	1,022,863.62	34.9%	1,350,208.61	80.9%
Office Furniture & Equipment	79,701.00	0.6%	11,478.94	14.4%	0.00	14.4%
Client / General Assistance	0.00	0.0%	0.00	0.0%	0.00	0.0%
Indirect Cost	6,489.00	0.1%	3,405.45	52.5%	3,083.55	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,327,041.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,616,403.63</b>	<b>45.6%</b>	<b>5,909,761.57</b>	<b>93.5%</b>

## Department of Rehabilitation Services Financial Status Report FY 25

As of January 31, 2025

### **Personnel**

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Salary Expense

Insurance Premium -Health-Life, etc

FICA-Retirement Contributions

### **Travel**

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Travel - Agency Direct

Travel - Reimbursements

### **General Operating**

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AFP Encumberances

Bond Indebtness and Expenses

Buildings-Purchase, Construction and Renovation

General Operating

Inter/Intre Agency Payment for Personal Services

Maintenance & Repair

Miscellaneous Administration Fee

Professional Services

Production, Safety, Security

Refunds, Indemnities, Restitution

Rent Expense

Scholarships, Tuition and Other Incentive-Type Payments

Shop Expense

Specialized Supplies & Materials

### **Office Furniture & Equipment**

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Library Equipment & Resources

Office Furniture & Equipment

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### **Client / General Assistance**

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Social Service and Assistance Payments

### **Indirect Cost**

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# Legislative Report

## 3/12/25 – DRS Commission Legislative Report

by Jennifer Hardin

Report Submission Date: 03-03-2025

- **01/16/25** - Bill Filing Deadline
- **Total Bills Filed = 3,095**
- **02/03/2025** – First Day of the First Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature
- **3/06/2025** – Committee Deadline for Chamber of Origin

### '25 DRS Request Bills

[HB 2387](#)

[Eaves, Ryan \(R\)](#)  
[Hines, Kelly \(R\)](#)

Increases the number of members on the Rehabilitation Services Commission.

**Bill History:** 2-25-25: Voted from committee - Do Pass House Rules

3-03-25: Set on the House Floor Agenda

**NOTE: Duplicate of Senate bill noted below.**

[SB 770](#)

[Hines, Kelly \(R\)](#)  
[Eaves, Ryan \(R\)](#)

Expands the membership of the Commission for Rehabilitation Services to seven and adjusts their term expiration dates; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 1-28-25: Referred to Senate Committee Senate Health & Human Services

2-17-25: Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Health & Human Services

- The DRS legislative monitoring list will continuously be updated as bills are reviewed or amended.
- Please don't hesitate to contact me if you become aware of a specific bill you would like monitored.



# OKLAHOMA Rehabilitation Services

## Bill Status Report

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<b>'25 Direct DRS Impact Bills</b>
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[HB 1138](#)      [Ford, Ross\(R\)](#)  
[Frix, Avery \(F\)\(R\)](#)      Directs the Human Capital Management Division of OMES to receive and act upon complaints from disciplinary action and grievances filed by state employees under certain circumstances.

**Bill History:** 02-17-25 H Meeting set for 4:30 p.m., Room 4S.5  
- House Approp Sub: General Government  
02-17-25 H Voted from subcommittee-Do Pass  
House Approp Sub: General Government  
02-17-25 H Returned to full committee House Appropriations

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[HB 1178](#)      [Stark, Marilyn\(R\)](#)  
[Bullard, David\(R\)](#)      Makes a misdemeanor the use of a service animal to attempt to gain treatment or benefits without the presence of a disability.

**Bill History:** 02-19-25 H Meeting set for 3:00 p.m., Room 5S.2  
- House Judiciary - Criminal  
02-19-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass  
House Judiciary - Criminal  
02-19-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe

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[HB 1495](#)      [Rosecrants, Jacob\(D\)](#)      Provides a four-year college tuition waiver for the children of parents with disabilities; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 01-15-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Postsecondary Ed  
02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Education

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[HB 1607](#)      [Gise, Emily \(R\)](#)  
[Kern, Spencer \(R\)](#)      Requires state agencies to report all of its contract employees to the Office of Management and Enterprise Services.

**Bill History:** 02-25-25 H Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 206 - House Rules  
02-25-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Rules  
03-03-25 H Set on the House Floor Agenda

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[HB 1692](#)      [Stewart, Ron \(D\)](#)      Declares the general election day during election years as a state holiday.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Elections & Ethics  
02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Government

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[HB 1833](#) [Hefner, Ellyn\(D\)](#)  
[Kirt, Julia\(D\)](#) Creates the Rethinking Paying Subminimal Wage to Persons with Disabilities Task Force to study and develop a plan to phase out the practice of paying workers with disabilities subminimal wages.

**Bill History:** 02-24-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Commerce & Econ Development  
02-27-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 450 - House Oversight: Commerce & Econ Development  
02-27-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Oversight: Commerce & Econ Development

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[HB 1836](#) [Hefner, Ellyn\(D\)](#) Modifies the definition of persons with significant disabilities to include those with intellectual or developmental disabilities and only requires them to work 50% of the labor hours offered by a qualified nonprofit agency.

**Bill History:** 02-24-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 5S.2 - House General Government  
02-24-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House General Government  
02-24-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Government

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[HB 1879](#) [Luttrell, Ken\(R\)](#) Terminates the current defined contribution retirement plan for state employees and returns them to a defined benefit plan, permitting saved account balances to convert into service credit under the defined contribution plan.

**Bill History:** 02-05-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Government  
02-06-25 H Withdrawn from committee House Banking, Financial Svcs & Pensions  
02-06-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

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[HB 1934](#) [Sterling, Danny\(R\)](#) Creates the Jamie Lea Pearl Act which outlines standards and liability requirements for tax exempt medical needs motor carriers; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 02-05-25 H Meeting set for 9:00 a.m., Room 450 - House Public Safety  
02-05-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Public Safety  
02-05-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe

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[HB 2327](#) [Hilbert, Kyle\(R\)](#) Creates the Blind Persons Act.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

<a href="#">HB 2328</a>	<a href="#">Hilbert, Kyle(R)</a>	Creates the Blind Persons Act. <b>Bill History:</b> 01-16-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules
<a href="#">HB 2329</a>	<a href="#">Hilbert, Kyle(R)</a>	Creates the Blind Persons Act. <b>Bill History:</b> 01-16-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules
<a href="#">HB 2729</a>	<a href="#">Kendrix, Gerrid(R)</a> <a href="#">Bergstrom, Micheal(R)</a>	Prohibits courts from deferring to a state agency when determining compliance with statutes, requiring courts to interpret the meaning of statute de novo in a way which favors limiting agency power. <b>Bill History:</b> 02-25-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 4S.5 - House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe 02-25-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe 02-26-25 H Set on the House Floor Agenda
<a href="#">SB 5</a>	<a href="#">Bergstrom, Micheal(R)</a> <a href="#">Kendrix, Gerrid(R)</a>	Expands the responsibilities of the Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency to include review of the OK Administrative Code and proposed administrative rules; EMERGENCY. <b>Bill History:</b> 11-26-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations
<a href="#">SB 97</a>	<a href="#">Sacchieri, Kendal (R)</a> <a href="#">Adams, Stacy Jo (R)</a>	Establishes standards for lobbyists and agency legislative liaisons and prohibits any state agency from employing either variety of advocate without express permission from their overseeing Executive Cabinet Secretary. <b>Bill History:</b> 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 4S.9 - Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as amended Senate Retirement & Government Resources

<a href="#">SB 169</a>	<a href="#">Hall, Chuck(R)</a>	Increases the values of certain longevity payments to state employees across all brackets.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations 02-11-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 4S.9 - Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Not heard in committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources
<a href="#">SB 179</a>	<a href="#">Bullard, David(R)</a> <a href="#">Shaw, Jim (F)(R)</a>	Redirects various technological responsibilities back into the discrete agencies of the state from the Information Services Division of OMES; EMERGENCY.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	02-11-25 S Title stricken in committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations
<a href="#">SB 384</a>	<a href="#">Jett, Shane(R)</a>	Requires blind voters registering for an absentee ballot to provide documentation from a licensed physician confirming that they are blind.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-06-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Judiciary
<a href="#">SB 487</a>	<a href="#">Dossett, Jo Anna(D)</a>	Requires Service Oklahoma to establish rules that allow a person to act as an instructor for an injured or disabled individual needing to use a modified motor vehicle; EMERGENCY.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Aeronautics & Transportation 02-17-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 535 - Senate Aeronautics & Transportation 02-17-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Aeronautics & Transportation
<a href="#">SB 633</a>	<a href="#">Weaver, Darrell(R)</a> <a href="#">Blair, Jason (R)</a>	Gives access to the Office of Juvenile Affairs' management information system to public school district superintendents.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Health & Human Services 02-17-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 535 - Senate Health & Human Services 02-17-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Health & Human Services

<b>Disability Oversight Bills</b>
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[HB 1176](#)      [Stark, Marilyn\(R\)](#)      Includes the act of knowingly targeting the elderly or disabled to purchase their residential property for less than 70 percent of actual market value to the definition of exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult.

**Bill History:** 01-14-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary - Criminal  
02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe

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[HB 1566](#)      [Duel, Collin\(R\)](#)  
[Weaver, Darrell\(R\)](#)      Creating the Oklahoma Elder Exploitation and Abuse Act meant to help incapacitated persons and vulnerable adults protect themselves from those who neglect, exploit, or abuse them through civil action.

**Bill History:** 02-05-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House Public Health  
02-05-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Health & Human Svcs  
03-03-25 H Meeting set for 3:00 p.m., Room 206 - House Oversight: Health & Human Svcs

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[SB 947](#)      [Rosino, Paul\(R\)](#)  
[Gise, Emily \(F\)\(R\)](#)      Adjusts references to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program, placing the ombudsman under the Attorney General and making the Council on Aging and Adult Protective Svcs a Dept of Human Services entity advising the ombudsman; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Health & Human Services  
02-24-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 535 - Senate Health & Human Services  
02-24-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Health & Human Services

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[SB 949](#)      [Rosino, Paul\(R\)](#)  
[Roe, Cynthia\(R\)](#)      Grants the Office of Child Advocacy certain authority to request and examine records related to juveniles and juvenile court proceedings; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 S Filed  
01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Health & Human Services  
03-03-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 535 - Senate Health & Human Services

<b>Education Bills</b>
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[HB 1006](#)      [Olsen, Jim\(R\)](#)      Requires every classroom of every school in the state to display a durable poster of the ten commandments meeting certain standards; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 12-03-24 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Appropriations  
02-04-25 H Sent to subcommittee House Approp Sub: Education

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[HB 1011](#)      [Vancuren, Mark\(R\)](#)      Creates an Education Employee Assistance Program within the Dept. of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide resources for school district employee management; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 12-12-24 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

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[HB 1013](#)      [Vancuren, Mark\(R\)](#)      Limits the State Board of Education's Authority to revoke or suspend licenses or certificates; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 12-16-24 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

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[HB 1014](#)      [Vancuren, Mark\(R\)](#)      Provides that if a teacher participates in any immoral acts or child abuse, it could lead to their dismissal and non-reemployment; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 12-16-24 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

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HB 1015	Vancuren, Mark(R)	Allows teachers who are employed on an emergency or provisional certificate to teach for more than four semesters; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 12-16-24 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules
HB 1020	McCane, Michelle (D)	Extends OHLAP qualifications to the children of school district personnel meeting certain standards and exempts them from related determinations of financial qualification; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 12-16-24 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Appropriations 02-04-25 H Sent to subcommittee House Approp Sub: Education
HB 1054	Rosecrants, Jacob(D)	Adjusts appointments to the Board of Education to require several appointments from the leadership of the Legislature rather than entirely from the Governor; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-03-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Common Education 02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Education
HB 1075	Hildebrant, Derrick (F)(R) Seifried, Ally(R)	Creates the Protect Our Kids Act which expands certain restrictions, notice and oversight required for dismissal or refusal of reemployment for teachers to also include school administrators; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-12-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Education 02-26-25 H Meeting set for 9:00 a.m., Room 4S.5 - House Oversight: Education 02-26-25 H Not heard in committee House Oversight: Education
HB 1086	Lowe, Dick(R)	Adjusts school funding formula standards to remove an exemption on gifts and donations from budget calculation, to modify attendance calculations and to allow the carryover of certain gross production revenue; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-19-25 H Meeting set for 4:30 p.m., Room 450 - House Approp Sub: Education 02-19-25 H Voted from subcommittee-Do Pass as substitute House Approp Sub: Education 02-19-25 H Returned to full committee as substituted House Appropriations

HB 1087	Lowe, Dick(R) Pugh, Adam(R)	Adds additional years to the upper end of the teacher minimum salary schedule, providing an increase in pay to the longest serving teachers; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-10-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 450 - House Approp Sub: Education 02-10-25 H Voted from subcommittee-Do Pass House Approp Sub: Education 02-10-25 H Returned to full committee House Appropriations
HB 1094	Woolley, Gabe (F)(R) Bullard, David(R)	Directs public schools to develop materials and resources related to the atrocities of Communism and directs them to be taught to students in certain grade levels.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-04-25 H Sent to subcommittee House Approp Sub: Education 02-10-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 450 - House Approp Sub: Education 02-10-25 H Failed in Committee House Approp Sub: Education
HB 1096	Hasenbeck, Toni(R)	Directs the Board of Education to develop an Academic Performance Index to measure various performance metrics for schools and students; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-10-25 H Voted from subcommittee-Do Pass House Approp Sub: Education 02-10-25 H Returned to full committee House Appropriations 03-04-25 H Meeting set for 4:30 p.m., Room 450 - House Appropriations
HB 1226	West, Kevin(R)	Modifies various provisions related to Charter Schools Act, specifying who may contract with a sponsor to operate a charter school and eliminating stipulations related to sectarian and religions prohibitions.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-15-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

HB 1258	Hays, Neil(R) Bullard, David(R)	Creates the Defined Contribution Retirement Plan for teachers which establishes a defined contribution system for certified personnel, directing the Teachers' Retirement System to define contribution system.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-18-25 H Committee hearing cancelled House Banking, Financial Svcs & Pensions 02-19-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 5S.2 - House Banking, Financial Svcs & Pensions 02-19-25 H Failed in Committee House Banking, Financial Svcs & Pensions
HB 1286	Caldwell, Chad(R)	Establishes a limited virtual school day policy for public schools, permitting ten virtual days a year, such days to be taken only for particular, approved circumstances and notice to be provided in advance where possible; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-15-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules
HB 1393	Provenzano, Melissa(D)	Directs the Board of Education to develop separate parental consent forms for various actions within a special education student's individual education program; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-12-25 H Meeting set for 3:00 p.m., Room 450 - House Common Education 02-12-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Common Education 02-12-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Education
HB 1417	West, Josh(R) Weaver, Darrell(R)	Creates the School Access for Emergency Response Act which establishes a grant program for certain emergency communication system to be installed and maintained in school buildings.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-15-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Appropriations
HB 1538	Dollens, Mickey(D)	Creates the Student Retention Protocol Act which directs certain screenings, assessments and treatment for students identified as being at risk of being retained; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-05-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Education 02-19-25 H Meeting set for 3:00 p.m., Room 450 - House Common Education 02-19-25 H Failed in Committee House Common Education

HB 1761 Moore, Anthony(R) Directs students who screened positively for dyslexia to be rescreened every three years and directs related reporting by school districts; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

HB 1938 Sterling, Danny(R)  
Rader, Dave(R) Requires school districts to conduct an annual fitness assessment; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 02-17-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 450 - House Approp Sub: Education  
02-17-25 H Voted from subcommittee-Do Pass House Approp Sub: Education  
02-17-25 H Returned to full committee House Appropriations

HB 1944 McCane, Michelle (F)(D) Directs schools to assign grade levels based on earned credits; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Education  
02-06-25 H Withdrawn from committee House Common Education  
02-06-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

HB 1981 Ranson, Trish(D) Modifies when kindergarteners are screened in accordance with the Strong Readers Act, no longer requiring a screening at the beginning of the school year; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 02-05-25 H Meeting set for 3:00 p.m., Room 450 - House Common Education  
02-05-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House Common Education  
02-05-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Education

HB 1995 Turner, Tim (F)(R)  
Hamilton, Warren(R) Designates school resource officers and security guards as school employees for the purposes of determining certain sex crimes against students; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 02-26-25 H Meeting set for 9:00 a.m., Room 4S.5 - House Oversight: Education  
02-26-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Oversight: Education  
03-03-25 H Set on the House Floor Agenda

HB 2151      Hall, Rob (F)(R)  
 Sacchieri, Kendal (F)(R)      Requires the Dept. of Education to publish certain federal education guidelines within five days of receiving them.

**Bill History:** 02-26-25 H Meeting set for 9:00 a.m., Room 4S.5  
 - House Oversight: Education  
 02-26-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Oversight: Education  
 03-03-25 H Set on the House Floor Agenda

HB 2188      Blancett, Meloyde(D)      Requires hearing screenings of all children in pre-kindergarten through seventh grade and eleventh grade.

**Bill History:** 02-19-25 H Committee hearing cancelled House Public Health  
 02-24-25 H Meeting set for 3:00 p.m., Room 206 - House Public Health  
 02-19-25 H Removed from hearing House Public Health

HB 2246      Waldron, John(D)      Directs the Dept. of Education to develop standards to implement the least restrictive environment conditions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and minimize exclusion of disabled students.

**Bill History:** 02-10-25 H Withdrawn from committee House Approp Sub: Education  
 02-10-25 H Withdrawn from committee House Appropriations  
 02-10-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

HB 2247      Waldron, John(D)      Requires the Department of Education to develop and implement the least restrictive environment requirements for the IDEA Act, to ensure students with special needs are not unnecessarily excluded from the classroom.

**Bill History:** 02-19-25 H Meeting set for 4:30 p.m., Room 450 - House Approp Sub: Education  
 02-19-25 H Voted from subcommittee-Do Pass as substitute House Approp Sub: Education  
 02-19-25 H Returned to full committee as substituted House Appropriations

HB 2253	Waldron, John(D)	Creates a Data Governance Council within the Dept. of Education to monitor and analyze data on teacher certification pathways.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules 02-10-25 H Withdrawn from committee House Rules 02-10-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Appropriations
HB 2418	Fetgatter, Scott(R) Frix, Avery (F)(R)	Requires adjunct teachers to obtain State Board of Education approval before employment and to be reapproved if any significant changes in their qualifications occur; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-26-25 H Meeting set for 9:00 a.m., Room 4S.5 - House Oversight: Education 02-26-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House Oversight: Education 03-03-25 H Set on the House Floor Agenda
HB 2696	Ford, Ross(R) Rader, Dave(R)	Sets standards for the release of certain educational records to parents and adult former students by school districts and public educational institutions, including records for discipline and correspondence.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-19-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Education 02-26-25 H Meeting set for 9:00 a.m., Room 4S.5 - House Oversight: Education 02-26-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Oversight: Education
HB 2702	Ford, Ross(R) Rader, Dave(R)	Defines special education administrator as the director and assistant director of a special education program for a school district; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-10-25 H Returned to full committee House Appropriations 02-26-25 H Meeting set for 4:30 p.m., Room 450 - House Appropriations 02-26-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted House Appropriations
HB 2928	Pittman, Ajay(D)	Extends the eligibility of the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarship for Students with Disabilities Program to include students who have at least one incarcerated parent.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-16-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

SB 6	Seifried, Ally(R)	Adjusts school board elections to occur during other state and local elections and modifies filing periods to account for the adjustment.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education 02-11-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 535 - Senate Education 02-11-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Education
SB 7	Seifried, Ally(R)	Creates a Teacher Recruitment Academy under the Regents for Higher Education to provide tuition and fee assistance to teacher preparation program participants; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-05-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations
SB 11	Weaver, Darrell(R)	Provides for an increase in benefits to participants of the Teachers' Retirement System.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-06-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations
SB 17	Daniels, Julie(R)	Repeals provisions creating and governing the School Finance Review Commission.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-10-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 19	Hamilton, Warren(R)	Prohibits school libraries from keeping materials meeting certain standards as age inappropriate accessible to minors and requires yearly reporting of library contents to the Dept. of Education, with parents able to monitor such contents; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-11-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education



SB 26	Bullard, David(R) Wolfley, Max(R)	Allows teachers retired for at least ninety days to be re-employed as active school teachers with no limits on earnings for a period of three years; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations 02-25-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 4S.8 - Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-25-25 S Substituted and Sent to the Actuary for Analysis
SB 63	Goodwin, Regina (F)(D) Johns, Ronny(R)	Increases the per-meeting stipend paid to school district board members in districts of a certain size or larger.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-19-25 S Title stricken in committee Senate Education 02-19-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as amended Senate Education 02-24-25 S Rep Fugate removed as sponsor, replaced by Rep Johns
SB 84	Sacchieri, Kendal (R) Crosswhite-Hader, Denise(R)	Removes certain restrictions related to the carry and transport of firearms and other weapons on school property.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-18-25 S Committee hearing cancelled Senate Public Safety 02-19-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 230 - Senate Public Safety 02-19-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as amended Senate Public Safety
SB 88	Boren, Mary(D)	Allows The Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma to approve cost-of-living adjustments for retirees under certain circumstances.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-20-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations

SB 105	Daniels, Julie(R) Caldwell, Chad(R)	Modifies various provisions related to the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-19-25 S Title stricken in committee Senate Education 02-19-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as amended Senate Education 02-19-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations
SB 139	Seifried, Ally(R) Caldwell, Chad(R)	Directs school districts to implement a "bell-to-bell" ban on the use of cell phones by students while on school grounds; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-11-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations 02-19-25 S Bill no longer dual referred to Appropriations 02-19-25 S Withdrawn from committee Senate Appropriations
SB 142	Hicks, Carri(D)	Provides for a pay increase to certified school personnel; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 12-30-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations
SB 201	Pugh, Adam(R)	Establishes a new pay scale for certified school personnel and sets standards for qualifying prior experience to advance up the scale; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-11-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations 02-20-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 535 - Senate Appropriations 02-19-25 S Removed from hearing Senate Appropriations
SB 215	Seifried, Ally(R) Moore, Anthony(R)	Creates the Math Achievement and Proficiency Act which adjusts the standards and practices related to the education of mathematics in public schools; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-19-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations 02-26-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 535 - Senate Appropriations 02-26-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted Senate Appropriations

SB 376	Murdock, Casey(R)	Adjusts qualification standards for the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarship to extend eligibility to any student with an IEP or individualized service plan; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-06-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations
SB 382	Bullard, David(R) Stark, Marilyn(R)	Requires all children enrolling in pre-kindergarten to be toilet trained and directs the Dept. of Education to develop procedures to temporarily remove children not meeting required standards from the classroom; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-17-25 S Committee hearing cancelled Senate Education 02-19-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 535 - Senate Education 02-19-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Education
SB 388	Seifried, Ally(R) Kane, John(R)	Declares that students enrolled in physical or virtual charter schools be permitted to participate in extracurricular activities offered by their resident public school district; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-06-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 409	Pugh, Adam(R) Caldwell, Chad(R)	Requires schools statewide to be in session for an additional day on any year where the Board of Education is appropriated \$25 MIL more than the preceding year; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-11-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations 02-20-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 535 - Senate Appropriations 02-20-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Appropriations
SB 412	Jett, Shane(R)	Reduces recurring continuing education requirements for members of school district boards of education; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-07-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education

SB 413	Jett, Shane(R)	Creates the Sexual Education Reform and Parental Rights Protection Act which adjusts terms related to sexual education and requires affirmative parental consent for student participation in such programs; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-07-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 472	Bergstrom, Micheal(R) Lepak, Mark(R)	Expands the Parental Choice Tax Credit Act to allow parents of students receiving any scholarship to still claim the credit.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 02-11-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Revenue & Taxation 02-19-25 S Bill no longer dual referred to Revenue and Taxation 02-19-25 S Withdrawn from committee Senate Revenue & Taxation
SB 486	Jett, Shane(R)	Permits school districts to contract with chaplains to provide certain school counseling duties; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-10-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 758	Thompson, Kristen(R) Moore, Anthony(R)	Allows school districts to include one or more emergency virtual days within their policy; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-15-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 788	Jett, Shane(R)	Creates the Students' Bill of Rights for those enrolled in and attending public schools within the State; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-16-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 792	Jett, Shane(R)	Directs that schools shall not automatically reprimand or discipline students being bullied or threatened from using violence in self-defense if such conditions are present; EMERGENCY.
		<b>Bill History:</b> 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education 02-25-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 535 - Senate Education 02-25-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Education

SB 793	Jett, Shane(R)	Allows public and charter schools, including institutions of higher education to display certain documents in classrooms, including The Ten Commandments, Mayflower Compact, and other such materials; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-16-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 795	Rader, Dave(R) Caldwell, Chad(R)	School districts are to provide information to parents or guardians of public school students concerning all education options available, including open transfer, tax credits, and charter schools; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-16-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 798	Reinhardt, Aaron (F)(R)	Enumerates reasons that the State Board of Education is authorized to revoke or suspend a teaching certificate; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-16-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education
SB 840	Hicks, Carri(D) Moore, Anthony(R)	Establishes a micro credential for certified teachers completing Certified Academic Language Therapist certification or Center for Effective Reading Instructions through the Educational Quality and Accountability Commission; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-17-25 S Committee hearing cancelled Senate Education 02-19-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 535 - Senate Education 02-19-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Education
SB 841	Pugh, Adam(R) Hasenbeck, Toni(R)	Subject to funding, the State Regents shall utilize the Statewide Literacy Revolving Fund to enhance teacher training in certain early childhood educational programs to improve reading and causes of reading difficulties; EMERGENCY.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-16-25 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Education

[SB 1017](#) [Deevers, Dusty\(R\)](#) Allows for Medicaid coverage to student individualized education programs where determined to be medically and educationally necessary; EMERGENCY.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 S Filed  
01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Health & Human Services  
01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations

<b>General Government Bills</b>
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[HB 1068](#) [Gann, Tom\(R\)](#) Prohibits state or local governments from entering into agreements with entities that prohibit disclosure of information when the use of state taxes are involved.

**Bill History:** 02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Government  
02-11-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 206 - House General Government  
02-11-25 H Failed in Committee House General Government

[HB 1148](#) [Humphrey, Justin J.J.\(R\)](#)  
[Bullard, David\(R\)](#) Provides for protections against actions which target whistleblowers working for state agencies or public officials, making retaliation against them criminally and civilly punishable.

**Bill History:** 01-14-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary - Civil  
02-04-25 H And also Referred to House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe

[HB 1943](#) [McCane, Michelle \(F\)\(D\)](#) Creates the Oklahoma Plain Writing Act which directs state agencies to use plain writing meeting certain standards in public-facing documentation.

**Bill History:** 02-18-25 H Committee hearing cancelled House General Government  
02-24-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 5S.2 - House General Government  
02-24-25 H Failed in Committee House General Government

<a href="#">HB 2108</a>	<a href="#">Osburn, Mike(R)</a>	Adjusts various references in the Employee Insurance and Benefits Act, replacing certain references to OMES with the Health Care Authority.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-11-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House General Government 02-11-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Government 03-04-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 206 - House Oversight: Government
<a href="#">HB 2231</a>	<a href="#">Munson, Cyndi(D)</a>	Grants state employees who have minor children immediate eligibility for the DHS Child Care Subsidy Program.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-16-25 H Filed 02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Appropriations 02-04-25 H Sent to subcommittee House Approp Sub: General Government
<a href="#">HB 2729</a>	<a href="#">Kendrix, Gerrid(R)</a> <a href="#">Bergstrom, Micheal(R)</a>	Prohibits courts from deferring to a state agency when determining compliance with statutes, requiring courts to interpret the meaning of statute de novo in a way which favors limiting agency power.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-25-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 4S.5 - House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe 02-25-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass House Oversight: Jud & Pub Safe 02-26-25 H Set on the House Floor Agenda
<a href="#">SB 10</a>	<a href="#">Weaver, Darrell(R)</a>	Provides for an increase in benefits to participants in the Public Employees Retirement System.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-06-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations
<a href="#">SB 70</a>	<a href="#">Daniels, Julie(R)</a>	Directs any legal authorities interpreting the meaning of a statute, administrative rule or other related document to make their determinations de novo rather than relying on the interpretation of a state agency and make rulings to limit agencies.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-19-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Judiciary

<a href="#">SB 89</a>	<a href="#">Frix, Avery (F)(R)</a>	Directs the Office of Management and Enterprise Services to establish a way to allow state employees to transfer unused time off in exchange for certain insurance benefit allowance purchases.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 01-29-25 S And also Referred to Senate Appropriations 02-25-25 S Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 4S.8 - Senate Retirement & Government Resources
<a href="#">SB 95</a>	<a href="#">Seifried, Ally(R)</a> <a href="#">Archer, Nick(R)</a>	Exempts interns and other temporary, unpaid workers from the definition of employee within the Workers' Compensation Act.
<b>Bill History:</b>		12-20-24 S Filed 01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Business & Insurance
<a href="#">SB 109</a>	<a href="#">Stanley, Brenda(R)</a> <a href="#">Miller, Nicole(R)</a>	Requires health insurance in the state to provide coverage for certain genetic testing procedures related to cancer and family history.
<b>Bill History:</b>		01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Business & Insurance 02-20-25 S Meeting set for 9:30 a.m., Room 535 - Senate Business & Insurance 02-20-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Business & Insurance
<a href="#">SB 168</a>	<a href="#">Hicks, Carri(D)</a> <a href="#">Strom, Judd(R)</a>	Requires all state entities and their designees making purchases for construction on projects in excess of a certain size to affirm that materials used in the completion of the contract are produced within the United States.
<b>Bill History:</b>		02-11-25 S Title stricken in committee Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as amended Senate Retirement & Government Resources 02-11-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations



[SB 874](#)      [Hall, Chuck\(R\)](#)      Transfers the authority to oversee and administrate certain occupational licenses from various administering authorities to Service Oklahoma.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 S Filed  
01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Business & Insurance

<b>Open Meeting/Rules Bills</b>
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[HB 1664](#)      [Cantrell, Josh\(R\)](#)  
[Alvord, Jerry\(R\)](#)      Permits the membership of boards of county commissioners to discuss county business and meet under certain circumstances without an official meeting subject to the Open Meetings Act as long as county funds are not discussed and no action is taken.

**Bill History:** 02-12-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Oversight: Government  
02-27-25 H Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 206 - House Oversight: Government  
02-27-25 H Voted from committee - Do Pass  
House Oversight: Government

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[HB 2727](#)      [Ford, Ross\(R\)](#)      Creates the Oklahoma Open Records Reform Act.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

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[HB 2731](#)      [Kendrix, Gerrid\(R\)](#)  
[Bergstrom, Micheal\(R\)](#)      Modifies when rules not subject to a joint resolution can be submitted, moving the due date from April 1st to February 1st.

**Bill History:** 02-26-25 H Laid out for consideration in the House at 2:52pm  
02-26-25 H Passed/Adopted (Vote: Y: 92/N: 0)  
02-27-25 S Received in the Senate

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[HB 2878](#)      [Staires, Clay\(R\)](#)      Creates the Oklahoma Administrative Rules Reform Act.

**Bill History:** 01-16-25 H Filed  
02-04-25 H Referred to House Committee on House Rules

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<a href="#">SB 318</a>	<a href="#">Bergstrom, Micheal(R)</a> <a href="#">Kendrix, Gerrid(R)</a>	Creates the Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act which establishes a Legislative Economic Analysis Unit to review and analyze the Administrative Code and conduct a rule impact analyses for certain proposed rules.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	02-13-25 S Meeting set for 1:00 p.m., Room 4S.9 - Senate Administrative Rules 02-13-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as substituted Senate Administrative Rules 02-13-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Appropriations

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<a href="#">SB 491</a>	<a href="#">Guthrie, Brian (F)(R)</a> <a href="#">Hildebrant, Derrick (F)(R)</a>	Expands authorized contents for discussion during public body executive sessions to include sale, lease and acquisition of real property.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Judiciary 02-25-25 S Meeting set for 1:30 p.m., Room 4S.9 - Senate Judiciary 02-25-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass Senate Judiciary

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<a href="#">SB 896</a>	<a href="#">Bergstrom, Micheal(R)</a>	Terminates any permanent administrative rules promulgated or amended, providing a renewal process and preserving the Legislature's ability to repeal certain rules; EMERGENCY.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-28-25 S Referred to Senate Committee Senate Administrative Rules 02-13-25 S Meeting set for 1:00 p.m., Room 4S.9 - Senate Administrative Rules 02-13-25 S Voted from committee - Do Pass as amended Senate Administrative Rules

**END OF REPORT**



# Statewide Independent Living Council of Oklahoma Report

SILC Report  
DRS Commission Meeting

March 12, 2025

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Community Living (ACL), has terminated Progressive Independence Inc (PI)'s grant award under the Centers for Independent Living program. This was effective August 1, 2024. Progressive Independence appealed the decision and as of December 31, 2024, ACL has upheld their decision to terminate the award for that center. P.I. could file a second appeal to the HHS Departmental Appeals Board (DAB) and would have to have that submitted by January 31, 2025. As of now, there is no news as to whether that appeal took place

We worked with ACL to learn more about SILC's, the CIL's and DRS's obligations and the process. We reached out to the other Centers for Independent Living (CILs) in the state for their assistance and input, particularly with communications and coverage. The SILC received a 'conditional' approval of our State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) from our federal agency, with the need to change section 3.2, which addresses what the Independent Living Network would do in the event a center was closed and how funds would be dispersed as well as how coverage would be provided in that catchment area. The SILC, the Centers and DRS met to address the changes the centers proposed to section 3.2 and agreed to the language. ACL has asked SILC to wait until mid-February to submit our final changes, as we should be getting word whether a final appeal was filed by P.I. If no appeal was filed, ACL recommends we remove P.I. from the SPIL completely. If an appeal was filed, we are to let the center remain in the SPIL, with an asterisk stating the center is not currently providing services.

**NASILC (National Association of Statewide Independent Living Councils)** – SILC Congress is March 10-13, 2025 in Orlando, FL. The theme for the conference is Connect: Collaborate, Organize, Network, Navigate, Empower, Create and Transform

**ARPIL (Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living)**– The next annual conference is October 17-19<sup>th</sup> and will be in Portland, Oregon.

**I.L. Stakeholder** meetings with the Administration on Community Living, the National Council on Independent Living, the Association of Programs for Rural Independent Living, the National Association of Statewide Independent Living Councils, the Independent Living Research Utilization, and the Office of Independent Living Programs.

\*With the change in the current Federal Administration, these meetings have been put on hold indefinitely.

Both the CIL and the SILC Program Performance Review (PPR) deadline has been extended until March 31, 2025. In the past, these were due by December 31 for the CILs and January 31 for the SILC. Currently no portal is open for data input.

SILC and our attorney Kevin Nelson are still trying to resolve some ongoing issues with the Open Meetings Act through the Attorney General's Office. Currently there are no provisions for accommodations for board members with disabilities to attend meetings virtually (as an accommodation) and that makes it difficult for us to meet a quorum at our meetings because many members can't attend in person. However, there is a Senator who will carry a bill with language around allowing the SILC to hold meetings virtually if necessary, but still follow all other OMA guidelines.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sidna Trimmell



# Oklahoma Rehabilitation Council Report

## **Oklahoma Rehabilitation Council (ORC) Report**

Since the last ORC report to the Commission, the Council finalized its FFY25 Strategic Plan, and the Executive Committee approved it on October 1, 2024. This report includes a copy of the final version for the Commission.

### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee met on September 5, 2024, at the Strategic Planning meeting; all the objectives and activities for FFY24 were met. The Committee appreciates the Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) Executive Team for assisting in this effort.

As the Committee overseeing the ORC contract's administration, we are pleased to report that the FFY24 budget was successfully closed.

ORC received one appointment since the last report, and it was Robin Arter as a member of the Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic Development. Ms. Arter's term started on November 1 and will expire on October 31, 2026.

### **Planning and Program (P&P) Committee**

The P&P Committee met on September 5, 2024, during the Strategic Planning (SP) meeting.

The Committee will continue to actively support the DRS Process Improvement (PI) Unit and DRS in the planning and development of the State Plan, the Customer Satisfaction Survey, and any other survey involving individuals with disabilities.

The Council and the PI Unit started working on the DRS Customer Satisfaction Survey on November 1. The Council will oversee calling the DRS participants selected for the survey and conducting the interviews over the phone. The training for the person calling the participants took place on the week of November 4-8, and the survey will start on Tuesday, November 12. The calls will be made in November and December, and the results will be reviewed by the PI unit starting next year. The final report will be shared with the whole Council.

### **Policy and Legislative (P&L) Committee Report**

The P&L Committee met at the Strategic Planning meeting on September 5, 2024.

The Committee will continue to coordinate activities with other Councils within the State to avoid duplication of efforts and will partner with DRS to celebrate People with Disabilities Awareness Day (PWDAD).

The Council's staff, Allyson Robinson and Carolina Colclasure participated in the 2024 Fall National Coalition of State Rehabilitation Councils (NCSRC) and the Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation (CSAVR) conference that took place in Seattle, WA, on October 18-23. The NCSRC conference included the following sessions:

- State Councils on Developmental Disabilities and State Rehabilitation Councils: Building Strong Partnerships
- The Role of the NCSRC Board
- The Importance of the Consumer Advocacy Group Members
- How to build the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) – Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) relationship
- Developing an effective partnership with the SRC
- Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) updates
- Table exercise: Peer sharing by the SRC Role – lead by the ORC Program Manager (PM)

## **Transition Committee Report**

The Transition Committee met at the Strategic Planning meeting on September 5, 2024.

The Transition Committee will continue promoting increased student and family involvement in transition planning by inviting students and families to share their transition experiences.

The Committee also assisted with planning the 2024 Oklahoma Transition Institute (OTI). The event occurred on November 6 and 7, and this year's theme was Navigating New Horizons: A Journey of Innovation and Impact. There were over four hundred attendees and forty sessions throughout the event. The Council purchased materials for the event and assisted with reviewing PowerPoints to ensure the accessibility standards were followed and met.

## **Employment Committee Report**

The Employment Committee met for the Strategic Planning meeting on September 5, 2024.

The Employment Committee will continue to support and collaborate with DRS's Business Services Program (BSP) in all its activities.



The ORC PM attended the ribbon cutting for the Manufacturing Skills Academy (MSA), which Sharon Harrison and Harrison Consultants lead.

The Committee printed the brochures for the DRS Job Fair that was supposed to take place on November 4 but had to be canceled because of the weather. We will follow up with the BSP and attend the event when it is rescheduled.

The ORC Quarterly Meeting calendar for FFY23 is as follows:

- Thursday, November 14, 2024, 9:30 am – Room D1750B
- Thursday, February 13, 2025, 9:30 am – Room D 1810
- Thursday, May 15, 2025, 9:30 am - Room D1750B
- Thursday, August 21, 2025, 9:30 am - Room D1750B

The meetings will be held at the Francis Tuttle Technology Center, located at 12777 N Rockwell Ave, OKC, OK 73142 – Northwest Hall Entrance.

***Respectfully submitted by  
Carolina Colclasure, ORC Program Manager***



# Human Resources Report

## PERSONNEL ACTIVITY REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2025

### FILLED AND VACANT POSITIONS

Personnel Activity = 4 vacant positions filled / 51 positions in Announcement or Selection Process

Division	Title/PIN	Date Vacated	Location	Begin date	End date	Ann. #	Action/Incumbent	Date Filled
							In Selection Process	
FSD	Accountant / 1124	01/03/2025	FSD	02/04/2025	02/24/2025	25-064	Currently Open	
FSD	Accountant / P107088	NEW PIN	FSD	02/18/2025	03/07/2025	25-070	Currently Open	
FSD	Budget Analyst / 0262	01/01/2024	FSD	02/20/2025	Continuous	25-072	Currently Open	
MSD	Administrative Programs Officer / 1082	08/01/2023	MSD	01/14/2025	02/03/2025	25-053	Currently Open	
OSB	School Principal / 0537	01/01/2025	OSB	01/08/2025	Continuous	25-060	Currently Open	
OSB	LPN / 0420	11/03/2024	OSB	11/13/2024	Continuous	25-050	Currently Open	
OSB	Direct Care Specialist / 0235	11/30/2024	OSB	01/17/2024	Continuous	24-057	Currently Open	
OSB	School Psychologist, 2045 / 0463	07/31/2023	OSB	10/26/2023	Continuous	23-095	Currently Open	
OSD	Sign Language Specialist / 0261	08/01/2024	OSD	02/24/2025	Continuous	25-071	Currently Open	
OSD	Counselor / 1028	11/13/2024	OSD	01/24/2025	Continuous	25-062	Currently Open	
		11/01/2023						
OSD	Direct Care Specialist (Classroom) / 0648, 0525, 0111	01/01/2025						
OSD	Early Development Specialist / 1496	03/01/2025	OSD	12/02/2024	Continuous	25-055	Currently Open	
		07/31/2024						
OSD	Construction/Maintenance Tech / 1042	09/30/2024	OSD	09/19/2024	Continuous	25-037	Currently Open	
OSD	School Counselor / 1488	10/01/2024	OSD	07/15/2024	Continuous	25-007	Currently Open	
OSD	Teacher (Vocational) / 0448	10/06/2022	OSD	06/28/2024	Continuous	24-107	Currently Open	
		08/01/2010						
OSD	Dir of Family and Early Childhood Services / 1494	05/10/2024	OSD	05/08/2024	Continuous	24-084	Currently Open	
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OSD	Teacher / 0635	07/31/2024	Chickasha	04/15/2024	Continuous	24-083	Currently Open	
OSD	Housekeeping/Custodial Worker / 0542	01/09/2024	OSD	01/17/2024	Continuous	24-058	Currently Open	
OSD	Sign Language Specialist, 2308 / 1090	07/20/2023	OSD	08/17/2023	Continuous	24-023	Currently Open	
		03/10/2024						
		09/08/2024						
OSD	Direct Care Specialist (Dorm) / 0642, 0746, 0824, 0620, 0778	10/01/2024						
		10/30/2024	OSD	10/24/2023	Continuous	23-032	Currently Open	

		12/31/2024						
		08/01/2021						
OSD	Teacher, 2083 / 0890, 0833	08/01/2024	OSD	10/04/2023	Continuous	23-079	Currently Open	
VR	Programs Field Representative / 0540	09/01/2024	VR – TBD	02/11/2025	Continuous	25-067	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0936	10/17/2013	VR47 – OKC	02/11/2025	Continuous	25-068	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0644	02/20/2025	VR42 – Poteau	02/19/2025	Continuous	25-069	Currently Open	
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0047	01/31/2025	VR07 – Durant	01/31/2025	Continuous	25-066	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0659	11/30/2024	VR38 – Okmulgee	01/27/2025	Continuous	25-065	Currently Open	
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0437	02/28/2025	VR81 – Chickasha	01/28/2025	Continuous	25-063	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0124	01/01/2025	VR44 – Stillwater	01/14/2025	Continuous	25-061	Currently Open	
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0356	12/16/2024	VR13 – McAlester	12/02/2024	Continuous	25-054	Currently Open	
VR	Programs Manager / 1072	12/01/2024	VR – TBD	12/13/2024	Continuous	25-057	Currently Open	
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0087	12/20/2024	VR45 – Tulsa	12/12/2024	Continuous	25-058	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0169	10/01/2024	VR45 – Tulsa	11/19/2024	Continuous	25-052	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0191	09/19/2024	VR81 – Chickasha	10/07/2024	Continuous	25-044	Currently Open	
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0440	10/01/2024	VR38 – Okmulgee	10/29/2024	Continuous	25-049	Currently Open	
VR	Rehabilitation Technician / 0278	11/01/2024	VR19 – OKC	10/29/2024	Continuous	25-048	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0366	09/05/2024	VR31 – OKC	09/16/2024	Continuous	25-032	Currently Open	
VR	Programs Manager / 1133	12/01/2019	VR36 – OKC	08/21/2024	Continuous	25-028	Juliette Hulen	02/01/2025
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0339	02/13/2024	VR63 – Alva	07/10/2024	Continuous	25-005	Currently Open	
VR	Behavioral Health Clinician / 0034	04/30/2023	VR23 – OKC	04/10/2024	Continuous	24-080	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0044	02/28/2024	VR67 – Tulsa	03/21/2024	Continuous	24-074	Keith Wilson	02/03/2025
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 1190	06/09/2023	VR08 – Enid	06/05/2023	Continuous	23-096	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0646	08/01/2022	VR41 – Ponca City	01/24/2024	Continuous	23-038	Currently Open	
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0955, 0904	10/31/2022 06/17/2022	VR80 – Tulsa	11/03/2022	Continuous	23-037	Bryce Watson	02/03/2025

VR	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0567	09/01/2020	VR67 – Tulsa	11/01/2023	Continuous	21-028.1	Currently Open
SBVI	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist / 0563	04/01/2017	TBD	10/07/2024	Continuous	25-042	Currently Open
SBVI	Programs Manager / 0260	08/01/2023	SBVI64 – Tulsa	08/06/2024	Continuous	25-021	Emma De La Cruz 02/18/2025
SBVI	Rehabilitation of the Blind Specialist / 0582	06/28/2024	SBVI91 – Tulsa	07/29/2024	Continuous	25-017	Currently Open

**DISCHARGES/RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS = 8***As of February 28, 2025***SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION (Executive/MSD/FSD)****DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**

Resignation = 1

1 = 4 years 4 months

Retirement = 2

1 = 33 years 11 months

1 = 24 years 8 months

**SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED DIVISION**

Death = 1

1 = 35 years 1 month

**OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND**

Resignation = 1

1 = 5 years 5 months

**OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF**

Resignation = 1

1 = 5 years 2 months

**DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES**

Retirement = 1

1 = 40 years 6 months

Resignation = 1

1 = 8 years 7 months

## CURRENT FTE STATUS FY 2025

*FTE as of February 28, 2025*

<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>BUDGETED FTE</u>	<u>FILLED</u>	<u>PENDING</u>	<u>EXEMPT FTE</u>	<u>TOTAL FILLED PLUS PENDING MINUS EXEMPT FTE</u>
Support Services (Executive/MSD/FSD)	85.3	74.00	4.00	0.00	78.00
Vocational Rehabilitation	238.0	203.00	21.00	(1.00)	223.00
Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired VR/SBVI-DP	115.0	102.00	2.00	(2.00)	102.00
Oklahoma School for the Blind	4.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	4.00
Oklahoma School for the Deaf	100.5	95.00	4.00	0.00	99.00
	134.0	110.00	20.00	(1.00)	129.00
<b>Total (NON-EXEMPT)</b>	<b>676.80</b>	<b>588.00</b>	<b>51.00</b>	<b>(4.00)</b>	<b>635.00</b>
Disability Determination Services (EXEMPT)	342.40	321.00	0.00	(321.00)	321.00
<b>TOTAL NON-EXEMPT &amp; EXEMPT</b>	<b>1019.20</b>	<b>909.00</b>	<b>51.00</b>	<b>(325.00)</b>	<b>956.00</b>

**FY 25 Budgetary Limit = 1255**

**\* Authorized agency FTE limit does not include Executive Fellow and SWIP appointments**

ROUTING TO: Melinda Freundt, Director  
 Kevin Statham, Chief Financial Officer  
 Randy Weaver, Chief of Operations  
 Tom Patt, Human Resources Program Director  
 Dana Tallon, Public Information Manager II  
 Kathleen Arrieta, Executive Assistant  
 Brett Jones, Public Information Officer III



# Vocational Rehabilitation Services Report



## Commission for Rehabilitation Services

Report by Mark Kinnison, VR Division Administrator  
March 2025

- Many staff were fortunate to attend CSAVR in October 2024. One of the highlights of the conference is a report on states' performance measures. The focus areas include the following:
  1. Measurable Skill Gains Rate by State – The national average was 52%, and Oklahoma VR had a rate of 72.5% which was 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation.
  2. Second Quarter Employment Rate by State – The national average was 56%, and Oklahoma VR came in at 54.6%, slightly below the national average. We hope to do better with the 2024 results, which should be made available in October 2025.
  3. Second Quarter Median Earnings by State – The national average was \$5,513 after 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter exit. Oklahoma was above the national average.
  4. Fourth Quarter Employment Rate by State – The national average was 53%, and Oklahoma VR had a rate of 53.4%.
  5. Credential Attainment Rate by State – The national average was 41%, and Oklahoma VR had a rate of 48.1%
- As of March 3, 2025, the production totals for the employment programs are ahead of last year's total, currently with 1,867 applications, 1,441 plans of employment, and 400 successful outcomes. The average wage on successful outcomes is \$17.00, with an average of 34 hours per week worked.
- Our application to eligibility timeframe is 40 days on average, and our compliance rate is 98%.
- Our eligibility to plan development time frame is 51 days on average with a compliance rate of 96%.
- The VR program has 10 vacant caseloads currently, with an average of 91 cases per caseload. The program is looking to add 3 additional counselor positions due to heavy caseload areas. The expectation is that these caseloads will grow. The DA's personal expectation is that this will bring in approximately 300 new clients.

- Please see additional information regarding 2024 first quarter data that looks at age distribution, barriers to employment, race, ethnicity, gender, WIOA involvement, and employment at IPE.
- The VR and SBVI programs continue to work consistently with the Developmental Disabilities (DHS) program. A new development is an initiative called High 5, which has plans to increase partnerships and employer engagement. There should be more to report on that in the future.
- Big thanks to Randy Weaver, Grant Moak, Terri Murphy, Juliette Hulen, and our Assistive Technology Team in working with Service Oklahoma to finalize contracts to continue specialized driver training services.
- The DA continues to meet with Director Melinda Freundt monthly regarding program progress, information, and needs.
- The DA was able to attend and participate in the Business Services Annual Training event in November. This event focused on enhancing business services outreach and public speaking.
- Work continues with our change team initiatives, more specifically in the areas of awards and recognition, process improvement, and recruitment and retention. I'm very proud of the progress that these groups have made.
- The DA participated in the Academy welcome for new employees, as well as the Business Services Impact meeting in Oklahoma City.
- A group of VR employees are participating in a task force regarding sub-minimum wage led by Representative Ellen Hefner.
- The next VR update for all VR employees will be February 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Business Services

1. December: Last IMPACT meeting of the year was December 12 in OKC with attendance of 57 employers/partners, including Sam's Club and Costco
2. December: 6 job fairs throughout the state
3. January: 2 rapid response events in northeast and southern Oklahoma

4. January: "Training Intent vs. Impact" presented to OACEP and visited the Bethany Children's Hospital
5. January: "Critical Occupations" with Saron Harrison hosted by Business Services DRS and ORC

### Transition

Porsheana Brown (a previous counselor in the Stillwater office) is a new member of the Transition Coordinator and transition team, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. She began serving the Northwest portion of the state as the Programs Field Rep. The position for Southwest PFR will be announced soon. We are super excited to be helping in all four corners of the state soon.

OSB will be hosting a Career Fair / Counselor Day event on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025, where students from around the M

uskogee area in special education classes will be coming to OSB to learn about different jobs in the community and get some Pre-ETS training in person. This will be a great day!

Pre-ETS is still serving students from OU, Central Tech, and Kiamichi. Discussions are in place to include some financial literacy / work readiness training with our Pre-ETS through Mathnasium. We will be doing a pilot with them soon.

We are still serving students through Work Based Learning (WBL) through Not Your Average Joe (NYAJ), Feed Me Gems, and Bridges. Down Syndrome Association of Central Oklahoma is receiving self-advocacy training through Pre-ETS at their self-advocacy center in Oklahoma City.

We are in the middle of planning summer programs. Currently, we are on track for 5 to 7 Science Technology Engineering Mathematics (STEM) programs and 30 Building Employment Skills for Today (BEST). These will be followed by Summer Transition Employment Program (STEP) programs, 1 Visually Impaired Blindness Empowerment (VIBE) camp, and 1 OU Camp Works Program. Dates have not been confirmed yet, but they will be released soon. We are still figuring out the logistics of the program locations.

The applications for BEST STEP will close on March 1<sup>st</sup>. We have had the link open since November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Through a partnership with Central Oklahoma Workforce Board (COWIB), Oklahoma City Community Foundation, and Meta Fund, COWIB will be able to pay the wages for the students again this summer and assist other workforce partners such as Southern Workforce Board (SWB) to have a successful program. The wage for students will remain \$10.00 an hour and DRS will reimburse the costs of the wages to the COWIB.

Transition Newsletter has reached over 3,000 people as of January 1, 2025. The team is excited to set a new goal for 2025!

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Kinnison, M.Ed., CRC, LPC-S  
Division Administrator for VR Services



**Participants**

**Agency Selected:**

OK

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**Program Year-Quarter Selection:**

2024-1

(July through September of 2024)








*This tab provides a summary of VR program participant characteristics for the selected quarter.*

*These characteristics are required for the WIOA performance accountability system and published in the WIOA Annual Report.*

*A flag will appear in column H of the corresponding characteristic when a change of greater than 20% is noted from the prior quarter.*

**Participant Characteristics**

	Selected Qtr.		
	Count	Percentage	
Total Participants Served	6,958		
<b>Age Distribution (Age at End of the Quarter)</b>			
Age Under 16	10	0.1%	
Age 16 to 18	1,368	19.7%	
Age 19 to 24	2,819	40.5%	
Age 25 to 44	1,538	22.1%	
Age 45 to 54	553	7.9%	
Age 55 to 59	272	3.9%	
Age Over 60	398	5.7%	
<b>Participants Under Age 25</b>	<b>4,197</b>	<b>60.3%</b>	
<b>Barriers to Employment</b>			
Displaced Homemakers	28	0.4%	
English Language Learners, Low Levels of Literacy, Cultural Barriers	713	10.2%	
Exhausting TANF within 2 years	74	1.1%	
Ex-Offenders	250	3.6%	
Homeless Individuals / Runaway Youth	77	1.1%	
Long-Term Unemployed (27 or more consecutive weeks)	1,109	15.9%	
Low-Income Individuals	2,213	31.8%	
Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers	8	0.1%	
Individuals with Disabilities	6,958	100.0%	
Single Parents (Incl. single pregnant women)	345	5.0%	
Youth in foster care or aged out of system	194	2.8%	
<b>Race</b>			
American Indian / Alaska Native	1,122	16.1%	
Asian	125	1.8%	
Black / African American	1,123	16.1%	
Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	53	0.8%	

White	5,172	74.3%	
More Than One Race	629	9.0%	
<b>Ethnicity</b>			
Hispanic / Latino	614	8.8%	
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	3,650	52.5%	
Female	3,286	47.2%	
Nonbinary or another gender	-	0.0%	
Prefer not to answer	22	0.3%	
<b>WIOA Program Involvement</b>			
Adult	27	0.4%	
Dislocated Worker	-	0.0%	
Youth	4	0.1%	
Wagner-Peyser Employment Service	4	0.1%	
Adult Education	1	0.0%	
Job Corps	-	0.0%	
Youth Build	-	0.0%	
<b>Employment at IPE</b>			
Employed and requires VR services to maintain employment	378	5.4%	
Employed, but seeking career advancement	525	7.5%	
Employed in non-CIE and seeking CIE	28	0.4%	
Not employed	6,027	86.6%	

**Question:**

What should an agency do if a participant characteristic is flagged (in column H above) for a change greater than 20% from the prior quarter?

**Answer:**


Check your reporting on the flagged characteristic. Unintended changes in participant characteristics affect the statistical adjustment model. Contact the RSA Data Unit if you require assistance.

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*End of Sheet*



# Oklahoma Tribal Vocation Rehabilitation Overview

Oklahoma Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation  
Commission for Rehabilitation Services Meeting  
March 12, 2025

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services

1. Department of Education-Discretionary Grants

Oklahoma Tribal VR programs

1. Apache Tribe of Oklahoma (1992)
2. Cherokee Nation (1992)
3. Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes (1997)
4. Chickasaw Nation (1996)
5. Choctaw Nation (1993)
6. Comanche Nation (2010) *Transition*
7. Delaware Nation (1998) *Transition*
8. Muscogee Nation (1998)
9. Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma (1994) *Transition*
10. Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (2021) *Transition*

DRS Strategies: American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Programs (AIVR)

1. Referrals
2. Collaboration
3. MOU-Cooperative Agreement
4. Transition
5. Training/Communication

Submitted by: Jon Ringlero, DRS Tribal Liaison





# Overview of Corrective Actions Plans

**Commission Report**  
**Stephanie Roe, DRS Executive Project Coordinator**  
**March 12, 2025**

**OK-C 2021 Section 107 Pre-Ets CAP**

Rehabilitation Services Administration's (RSA) annual review and finding regarding the State's failure to satisfy requirements governing the provision of pre-employment transition services in Federal fiscal year (FFY) 2021, as determined by RSA in accordance with Section 107(a) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act).

FFY 2021 financial reports submitted by OKDRS, the most recent final financial reports available to RSA, demonstrate the State failed to satisfy the requirements of Section 110(d)(1) and 113 of the Rehabilitation Act by not reserving and expending at least 15 percent of its VR grant amount on the provision of pre-employment transition services for students with disabilities.

In FFY 2021 DRS reserved and expended a total of 11% of its matched Federal VR funds. RSA acknowledges DRS continued to reserve the additional 4 percent of its matched Federal VR funds by leaving them unspent in DRS' VR account at the end of the period of performance.

**Mandated Corrective Action:** Develop and implement a corrective action plan that results in sustained compliance with the pre-employment transition service requirements.

RSA Notification Letter Received: June 27, 2023

Corrective Action Plan submitted: August 27, 2023

Approved by RSA: January 24, 2024

Summary of the status of the Corrective Actions related to the findings in this CAP:

Status- 4th Quarter Submission- October 31, 2024

<b>Corrective Action #</b>	<b>Past Quarter Status</b>	<b>Current Quarter Status</b>
1.1	Partially Resolved	Partially Resolved
1.2	Partially Resolved	Partially Resolved

OKDRS has made significant progress on all corrective actions and anticipates full resolution for this CAP following the January 31, 2025, update.

## **OK-C FFY 2023 Monitoring Corrective Action Plan**

May 9-12, 2023- RSA conducted on-site monitoring with the Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services. Focus Areas: 1.) Performance of the VR and Supported Employment programs 2.) Financial management of the VR and Supported Employment programs that supports and maximizes the use of Federal funds

April 2, 2024- Monitoring Report Publication Date

July 1, 2024-CAP Approved by RSA

### **Performance Findings Overview:**

#### Finding 2.1- Insufficient Internal Controls

- 2.1.1- Data collection and validation of pre-employment transition service
- 2.1.2-Revised policies specific to Pre-Employment transition services.
- 2.1.3- Deliver training on revised policy to staff responsible for entering information into the DRS case management system, including services related to pre-employment transition services

#### Finding 2.2- Provision of Services Unaligned with the Individualized Plan for Employment – Jobs Services

- 2.2.1-Rescind Jobs Contract- Administrative Rule
- 2.2.2-Deliver training for staff and contractors on changes to contract
- 2.2.3-Notice and confirmation of completed training

#### Finding 2.3 Insufficient Contract Administrative Controls

- 2.3.1- Restructure Pre-Employment Transition Services contract
- 2.3.2-Develop internal controls and process to monitor Pre-Ets Contract
- 2.3.3- Develop written internal control process for contract development

### **Fiscal Findings Overview:**

#### Finding 3.1 Period of Performance Policies and Procedures

- 3.1.1 Make requisite revisions to financial data collection and analysis
- 3.1.2 Update and implement period of performance policies and procedures
- 3.1.3 Implement written internal control process to ensure ongoing compliance

### Finding 3.2 Insufficient Accounting of Expenditure

- 3.2.1 Modify systems to identify obligation dates of authorizations and contracts
- 3.2.2 Update and implement period of performance procedures
- 3.2.3 Develop internal controls to include compliance with period of performance

### Finding 3.3 Internal Control Deficiencies for Policies – Vendor Monitoring

- 3.3.1 Update contract management and monitoring process
- 3.3.2 Revise policy for rate setting and evaluating the performance of service providers

### Status- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Submission- October 31, 2024

<b>Finding #</b>	<b>Past Quarter Status</b>	<b>Current Quarter Status</b>
2.1.1	Unresolved	Unresolved
2.1.2	Unresolved	Unresolved
2.1.3	Unresolved	Unresolved
2.1.4	Unresolved	Unresolved
2.2.1	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
2.2.2	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
2.2.3	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
2.3.1	Unresolved	Resolved
2.3.2	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
2.3.3	Unresolved	Unresolved
2.3.4	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
2.3.5	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
3.1.1	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
3.1.2	Unresolved	Unresolved
3.1.3	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
3.2.1	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
3.2.2	Unresolved	Unresolved

3.2.3	Unresolved	Partially Resolved
3.3.1	Unresolved	Unresolved
3.3.2	Unresolved	Unresolved

**CAP Quarterly Update Reporting schedule:**

January, April, July and October

The OKDRS team has made significant progress on the identified activities that address the findings in the Corrective Action Plan and meets monthly for ongoing monitoring of tasks required to resolve the findings. Quarterly updates and the updated status of each finding will continue to be shared with the commission after RSA comments are received.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Stephanie Roe, DRS Executive Project Coordinator



# Commission Minutes



## **Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services**

### **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES** **January 8, 2025**

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 10:34 a.m. by Commissioner Flannery with a quorum present. Present: Theresa Flannery, Commission Chair, Dr. Janet Barresi, Commission Vice-Chair and Kelsey Lee, Commission Member.

#### **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

Commission Assistant Kathleen Arrieta confirmed the Commission for Rehabilitation Services follows the Open Meetings Act.

#### **PRESENTATION OF LONGEVITY CERTIFICATES**

*Theresa Flannery, Acting Chair*

The Commission presented a longevity award to Mike Goza, Program Manager, Vocational Rehabilitation Services, 25 years with DRS.

#### **PRESENTATION OF 2024 OKLAHOMA COMMISSION FOR REHABILITATION SERVICES AWARD**

Commissioner Flannery presented the 2024 Oklahoma Commission for Rehabilitation Services Award to Pepper Watson, Program Manager for the Accessible Instruction Materials (AIM) Center at the Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Pepper and her staff at the AIM Center work together to make sure that every child who needs specialized instructional materials, such as braille books, receives them. The staff at the AIM were also commended for working through the summer with no air conditioning. They have truly gone above and beyond in serving Oklahoma students.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

*Melinda Fruendt, Executive Director*

Randy Weaver, COO, gave the report in Director Fruendt's absence.

### Highlights of meetings and events attended.

12/12 – Business Services Impact Meeting.

12/13 – SILC and DSE meeting with Administration on Community Living; New View Stakeholders Meeting.

12/16 – OKIPSE, DRS and Career Tech meeting.

12/19 – OSB Christmas Program.

1/7 – VR/SBVI Performance Meeting.

## **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

*Kevin Statham, CFO*

- Financial Status Reports for FY 2024. As of November 30, 2024, the agency had spent a combined (FY 24 expenditure in FY 25) \$149.5M of the \$187.3M budget, with remaining encumbrances of \$9.4M which represent 84.8% of the budget. Mr. Statham noted that the FY2024 budget will still be tracked but will not be included in the Financial Status Report.
- Financial Status Reports for FY 2025. As of October 31, 2024, the agency spent \$57.6M of the \$195M budget, with remaining encumbrances of \$124.6M which represent 93.2% of the budget.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT**

*Tom Patt, HR Director*

Personnel Activity report as of December 31, 2024: 5 vacant positions were filled; 56 positions were open. There were six separations which included retirements, resignations, and discharges. There were 967 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions.

## **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

*Jennifer Hardin, Legislative Liaison*

Randy Weaver, COO, gave the report in Ms. Hardin's absence. Mr. Weaver relayed that the effort to increase the membership of the commission is continuing. Ms. Hardin has found a legislator to co-author the bill but needs to get final confirmation.

## **SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED (SBVI)**

*Tracy Brigham, Division Administrator*

### Priority Group Update as of January 8, 2025

- 115 clients were released off the Priority Group 3 waitlist on December 2nd.
- Priority Group 1 is open.



- Priority Group 2 is open.
- Priority Group 3 is closed, clients waiting: 45  
Total clients on waiting list: 45.

#### Portal Referral Update:

- Received 55 applications:
  - 22 active referrals.
  - 23 referrals pending assignment.
  - 1 referred to another agency.
  - 6 closed.
  - 3 followed through with applications.
- Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired (SBVI) - Through the support groups, instructional staff informed 44 individuals of their voting rights prior to the 2024 election.
- Business Enterprise Program (BEP) - Two vending sites were converted into micro markets which resulted in an increase in sales. The Tulsa Courthouse micro market / fresh food service has partially reopened which resulted in sales increase of 101.76%. The Will Rogers Airport micro market income is rising steadily. There is an increase in SBVI clients who want to enter the vendor training class with seven clients currently on the waitlist.
- Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (OLBPH) - The Prison Braille Program has helped the braille books distributed through the AIM center to increase by over 427% since 2021. There is a waiting list for prisoners to get into the Braille Program at the Oklahoma State Reformatory in Granite, OK.

## **OVERVIEW OF SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) AND SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE (SSDI) REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM**

*Jason Price, Program Manager*

The program works to place people with disabilities, who are currently receiving SSI or SSDI, in jobs with a sustainable income level. Mr. Price stressed how important working in a job is to people with disabilities.

Both SSI and SSDI programs reimburse the Department of Rehabilitation Services for every person that comes off SSI and SSDI. The number of people who have been placed in jobs and are able to discontinue SSI and SSDI continues to grow an average of 21% each year, which results in an average 20% increase in reimbursement rates from SSI and SSDI. In the last 15 years, 3069 people have been placed in a job, and have stopped taking SSI and SSDI. The reimbursement during that time amounted to a little over \$39 million.

## **OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND (OSB) REPORT**

*Brent Pierce, Superintendent*

- OSB Goalball students traveled to Dallas on October 25-26 and finished runner-up in the advanced division.

- A mock presidential election for students was held on November 5th.
- The annual Cane Quest event was held on November 6 in Muskogee followed by an awards ceremony at OSB.
- OSB student, Stephanie Glynn, participated in the FCCLA Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR) event.
- Middle School students traveled to Tahlequah to visit the NSU College of Optometry to learn about being an optometrist.
- FCCLA students volunteered at the local food bank.
- OSB held its annual Christmas program on December 19. The Muskogee Lodge 28 AF & AM presented OSB with a check for \$11,500.00.

### **ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO THE OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND (OSB)**

*Brent Pearce, Superintendent*

The donations for December 2024 totaled \$24,515.11.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Barresi to accept the December 2024 OSB donations. All Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.*

### **OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF (OSD) REPORT**

*Dr. Heather Laine, Superintendent*

- The OSD Football team was named the 2024 National Deaf Interscholastic Athletic Association (NDIAA) Division II Football Champions, and the Great Plains Schools for the Deaf (GPSD) 2024 football champions. Coach Sean Thomas Sledd was named NDIAA Coach of the Year for Division 2 Football.
- SoonerStart visited the OSD campus to see how the programs work. This visit will also help facilitate referrals.
- OSD is preparing for the Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf (CEASD) Accreditation visit in late February.
- OSD is again providing free online ASL Language courses. Registration is open now until February 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO THE OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF (OSD)**

*Dr. Heather Laine, Superintendent*

The donations for December 2024 totaled \$3,495.27.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Barresi to accept the December 2024 OSD donations. All Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.*

**ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO THE OKLAHOMA LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED (OLBPH)**

*Kevin Treese, Program Manager, SBVI*

The donations for December 2024 totaled \$708.00.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Barresi to accept the December 2024 OLBPH donations. All Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.*

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 11, 2024, COMMISSION MEETING**

*Theresa Flannery, Chair*

*A motion was made by Commissioner Barresi and seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2024, Commission meeting as submitted. All Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**ADJOURN**

*Theresa Flannery, Chair*

A motion was made by Commissioner Flannery and seconded by Commissioner Barresi to adjourn. All Commissioners voted in the affirmative and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.



# Oklahoma School for the Blind Donation Report

## OSB DONATION REPORT

### January 2025 Donations

#### Donations under \$500


Date	Name	Cash	Fund	Property	Value
1/6/2025	urch WMU / donation for students			hygiene products	\$300.00
1/14/2025	Sharon Barnett/Kappa Alpha 5393 - Needy	\$ 200.00	701		
1/16/2025	Oil Express / SCASB sponsor	\$ 300.00	216		
1/21/2025	Mabrey Bank / SCASB sponsor	\$ 250.00	216		
1/21/2025	Griffin Foods/ SCASB sponsor			food items	\$ 400.00
1/28/2025	My Limitless Vision / SCASB sponsor	\$ 250.00	216		
<b>Subtotal of Cash (under \$500) donated in January 2025</b>		<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>		<b>Subtotal prop.</b>	<b>\$ 700.00</b>
<b>Donations \$500 and over</b>		<b>\$ -</b>			
1/13/2025	Armstrong Bank / SCASB	\$ 500.00	216		
1/23/2025	Stephen Kearney / SCASB	\$ 1,000.00	701		
1/30/2025	Shawn McCormick / equipment			ocular magnifier	\$ 2,500.00
<b>Subtotal of Cash (\$500 and over) donated in January 2025</b>		<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>		<b>Subtotal prop.</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
<b>TOTAL DONATION AMOUNTS January - 2025</b>		<b>\$5,700.00</b>			

## OSB DONATION REPORT

### February 2025 Donations

**Donations under \$500**

Date	Name	Cash	Fund	Property	Value
2/3/2025	Sherry Holder / items for coffee bar			supplies	\$ 50.00
2/3/2025	Laci Goins / items for coffee bar			supplies	\$ 30.00
2/3/2025	Cassie Shelton / items for coffee bar			supplies	\$ 10.00
2/26/2025	Real Estate Professionals Association	\$ 250.00	701		
<b>Subtotal of Cash (under \$500) donated in February 2025</b>		<b>\$ 250.00</b>		<b>Subtotal prop.</b>	<b>\$ 90.00</b>
<b>Donations \$500 and over</b>		<b>\$ -</b>			
2/6/2025	Delta Air Lines Foundation / Education	\$ 1,000.00	701		
<b>Subtotal of Cash (\$500 and over) donated in February 2025</b>		<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>		<b>Subtotal prop.</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL DONATION AMOUNTS February - 2025</b>		<b>\$1,340.00</b>			



# Oklahoma School for the Deaf Donation Report

## OSD Donation Report January 2025

### Donations Under \$500.00

Date	Name	Cash	Fund	Explanation	Property Value
1/13	Bethlehem Baptist church	\$ 350.00	20300	General Sorority	_____
	<b>Subtotal Cash Under \$500.00</b>	<b>\$ 350.00</b>		<b>Subtotal Property Under \$500.00</b>	_____

### Donations Over \$500.00

Date	Name	Cash	Fund	Explanation	Property Value
1/30	Billy Helm	\$ 500.00	20601	Needy Pupil Fund	_____
	<b>Subtotal Cash Over \$500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>		<b>Subtotal Property Over \$500.00</b>	_____
	<b>Subtotal Cash Combined</b>	<b>\$ 850.00</b>		<b>Subtotal Property Combined</b>	

**Total donations for January 2025**

\$850.00
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## OSD Donation Report February 2025

### Donations Under \$500.00

Date	Name	Cash	Fund	Explanation	Property Value
2/5	Walmart			Walmart gift card for personal hygiene items for students in dorms	75.00
2/15	Trudy Mitchell			Items donated for the "Crush on you" fundraiser	25.86
2/27	Anonymous	32.25	70100/20052	Sr. class tip donations at concession	
2/29	Trudy Mitchell			Sheets	21.83
<b>Subtotal Cash Under \$500.00</b>		<b>\$ 32.25</b>		<b>Subtotal Property Under \$500.00</b>	<b>122.69</b>

### Donations Over \$500.00

2/27	Anonymous	\$ 550.00	70100/10003	For national cheer competition to help with expenses in hosting the weekend event for 13 Deaf school.	
2/29	Crossway Church			Hygeine products for the dorms	1,442.05
<b>Subtotal Cash Over \$500.00</b>		<b>\$ 550.00</b>		<b>Subtotal Property Over \$500.00</b>	

### Subtotal Cash Combined


**\$ 582.25**

### Subtotal Property Combined

**1,564.74**

### Total donation for February 2024

**\$2,146.99**



# Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Donation Report

Donations under \$500				
DATE	NAME	CASH	PROPERTY	VALUE
01/17/2025*	Carol Green	\$100		
<b>Subtotal of Donations Under \$500</b>	<b>\$100</b>			

<b>Total Donation Amount</b>	<b>\$100</b>
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\*Donation in memory of Rachel Green, a long-time patron that has passed away

OLBPH February 2025 Donation  
Report

Donations under \$500				
DATE	NAME	CASH	PROPERTY	VALUE
<b>Subtotal of Donations Under \$500</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			

<b>Total Donation Amount</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
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