



LBK Community Newsletter

"Love so that when your children think of love, fairness, integrity, and tenderness they think of you." ~ Unknown



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LBK Community Year in Review Welcomes Many

It is no small feat to bring people, let alone, agencies together on one platform with the sole purpose of connecting people to needed resources. And yet, that is what Katherine Wells and Madeline Geeslin, Director and Health Promotion manager of Lubbock Public Health, set out to do in 2017. After securing grants and municipal dollars, followed by a chance meeting with a representative from TAV Connect (later called Signify Health), an SDoH technology provider, LBK Community was launched in June 2020. We launched with 11 remarkable, foundational partners during the pandemic, while adding four more amazing partners in 2021 during vaccine

rollout. Finding some room to focus on recruitment in 2022, 16 critical agencies attached their name to the Network, amounting to 31 partners. Katherine got to share some of this history and more during her "special remarks" at LBK's 2nd Annual Year in Review on January 12th. She encouraged partners to hang in there while we navigate change together (moving from one technology to another), and provided some insight into the new technology's ability to integrate with hospital EMR's.

Kyle Galyean, Director of Social Services for UMC, and member of the LBK Community Advisory Council was this year's guest speaker. Kyle talked about the "bigger picture change" and said LBK Community is that change, siting its ability to assess SDoH and make referrals. He spoke plainly about Social Determinants of Health (SDoH), the conditions in which we live, work and play and that impact health. Additionally, Kyle shared data and information about Food Security, pointing out that LBK Community identified 208 Food Voucher needs, made 128 referrals to the South Plains Food Bank, and 36 referrals to Lubbock Impact. *For added understanding, Food Vouchers and Food are 1 and 3 in the Top 5 Needs identified by the LBK Network.*

Kyle ended his presentation with an impactful story about a woman in her 50's who benefited from services initiated by an LBK referral. *It just takes one referral to make a difference.* In this case, she needed her GED, and once completed, was soon employed.

Following the inspiring words by Katherine and Kyle, partners and community friends were recognized; while network users who made the most referrals or engaged in Network activities were awarded with certificates and/or awards. Moreover, door prizes were handed out and mystery seat winners received fun LBK swag cups.

In closing, we could not have been more pleased by the turn out! It was great to see you! About 100 people, representing 18 partner and 16 community agencies and/or groups, joined us. Among those present, were esteemed members of the Lubbock City Council: Mayor Pro Tem Shelia Patterson-Harris, Councilwoman Latrelle Joy, and Councilman Mark McBrayer. Mr. Bill Howerton, Deputy City Manager, was also in attendance as well as former LBK Advisory Council members, Paulett Rozneck (LISD) and Dr. Nancy Trevino (TTUHSC).

What we have been able to do together in addressing SDoH for better health outcomes is no small matter. We look forward to moving into a new technology with you, LBK Community, and becoming all we can be together for our region. **An announcement about our new technology is coming!** We are so excited! Please stay tuned for the details!

Finally, Community Friends, we look forward to and are hopeful for the opportunity to connect with you soon! Let's go LBK!

~Seydia Adkins

African American History: A Moment in History



(Image retrieved from YWCA email on 1/17/23)

If you look closely, you will notice a woman looking on as the late, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. gave his unforgettable "I Have a Dream" speech in August 1963. Her name is Dorothy Height, president of the YWCA at the time. She used her voice for justice and equality alongside Dr. King and many others during the Civil Rights Movement.

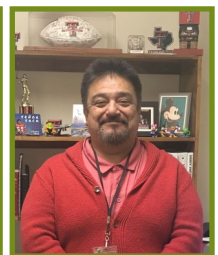
The YWCA continues in their commitment to "find pathways of thriving for all", knowing that the work towards justice, equity and peace is not a job they can do alone, and one that requires like-minded hearts to join the climb so we can all experience the mountain top together.

If you would like to learn more about the YWCA whose motto reads, "eliminating racism, empowering women", Jennifer Riley from Lubbock's YWCA, will be the LBK Community Networking Session guest speaker on July 13th @ 11:00am. Save the date! :-)

A BIG LBK SHOUT OUT TO:



Jesus Gonzalez
Lubbock Public Health
Health Equity



Mike Montanez
Lubbock Public Health
Immunization Outreach





LBK Year in Review 2022 Photos & Fun!



2022 Partner Recognition (L to R): LIFE, Inc., Catholic Charities: Kinship Navigation Program, Broadway Church of Christ, Citibus, Covenant Health, Grace Manor/Children's Hope, and Lubbock Boys & Girls Club



2022 Certificates of Appreciation and Award Recipients (L to R): Jennifer Taggart (SUSAN), Rachel Elbert (LBGC), Deanne Millford (Parenting Cottage), Lori Robinson (BCOC), and Tommy Willis (Stages of Recovery)



Special Remarks:
Katherine Wells, Director
Lubbock Public Health



2022 LBK Community Advisory Council (L to R): Denise Rudd (SPFB), Ayda Martinez (211/SPAG), Cole Watts, (Stages of Recovery), Karl Ihfe (BCOC), and Kyle Galyean (UMC) **Not pictured:** Monica Garcia (Combest), Katherine Wells, Madeline Geeslin and Seydia Adkins



Below: "That table" (you had to be there :-))



Guest Speaker:
Kyle Galyean,
UMC



Below: Community Friends being recognized



Below: A full room of amazing people!



Above: LBK Partners being recognized



Left: Karl Ihfe & Lori Robinson (BCOC)



Left: Ayda Martinez (SPAG/211)



Above (L to R): Cole Watts & Vernon Maden (LBGC)



Above: Cole Watts hands mounted certificate to partner representative, Vernice Hemphill, LIFE, Inc.



Above: What a great turnout and time together!

LBK Community Key Words:
Navigation
Coordination
Collaboration
Partnership
SDoH Needs/Referrals

"The LBK Community Network is THE BIGGER PICTURE CHANGE!" ~ Kyle Galyean

QUICK REMINDERS



LBK Community Super User Meeting

February 14th @ 2:00pm via Zoom. We hope you will be able to attend! A Zoom link has been sent. *(For Super Users only)*

LBK Community Networking Session

Guest(s): Chris & Jerri Ann Moore, Grace Campus

February 16th @ 11:00am via Zoom

A Zoom link has been sent to our partners. *(To our community friends, please let me know if you would like to attend and I will send you the Zoom link. Standing by!)*

LBK Community Advisory Council Meeting

February 8th @ 3:00pm via Zoom

NOTE: *An announcement re: our new technology and NEXT STEPS is near! We are excited and cannot wait to share the news with you! Please stand by!*

PARTNER & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

YWCA

2023 **Father Daughter Dance**. February 5, 2023 @ YWCA on University from 2:00p-5:00p.

Fees: \$30 for father and child, \$10 per additional child. To purchase tickets: [Father Daughter Dance 2023 \(ejoinme.org\)](https://www.ywcalubbock.org/father-daughter-dance-2023)

Lubbock Boys & Girls Club

ABC Rodeo Sweethearts. Applications are welcome, 14-18 year olds. Deadline is February 10th.

\$30 Fee. For more information: [2023 Sweethearts.pdf](#) For application: [ABC Pro Rodeo Sweethearts Application 2023.pdf2.pdf](#)

Lubbock Public Health: HIV Outreach

National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. February 7th. FREE HIV Testing @ T.J. Patterson Library, 1836 Parkway Dr., from 10:00am to 3:00pm

Lubbock Lions Club

71st Annual **Pancake Festival**. All you can eat! February 18th @ the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 7:00am-8:00pm. Advanced Tickets: \$10 and Tickets at the door: \$12.

Purchase tickets: <https://lubbocklions.org/>

South Plains Child Abuse Coalition

10th Annual **Child Abuse Conference**, April 14th from 8:30a-4:00p. **Save the Date!** Registration details coming soon!

Lubbock Legal Aid

Annual **Golf Tournament**. Friday, April 28, 2023 @ Shadow Hills Golf Course. **Save the Date!** Looking for players and volunteers. More details to come!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Lubbock Legal Aid

Looking for a **Texas Licensed Attorney** (or will be licensed in 2023). Must have thorough knowledge of Texas family law & penal code, Rules of Evidence & Civil Procedure. Ability to establish working relationships with clients and to work well with co-workers and support staff. Please email cover letter & resume to Bill Wells: bwells@lubbocklegalaid.org

Buckner Family Hope Center

Looking for a **Director** and **Family Coach/Case Manager**. Interested and qualified applicants, please visit: <https://www.buckner.org/current-nonprofit-job-openings>

Catholic Charities

Hiring several positions: **FAYS counselor** (Levelland), **Emergency Assistance** (PT case manager), and **Kinship Navigation Specialist** (PT or FT): <https://cclubbock.org/joblisting/>

No phone calls please

Citibus

If you like to drive and enjoy helping others, Citibus is looking to hire a **Passenger Specialist**. Interested applicants, please visit: <http://citibus.com.s3-website-us-east-2.amazonaws.com/passenger-specialist/>

YWCA

Do you enjoy working with children? Helping families? The YWCA is looking to fill the following positions: **CYD Program Specialist**, **Early Head Start Teacher**, **YWCare Afterschool Staff**. Please visit this link for details: <https://www.ywcalubbock.org/jointheteam/>

Workforce Solutions of the South Plains

The Board Administration has the following vacancies: **Director of Strategic Planning** (full time, permanent) [Director of Strategic Planning 1-9-23.pdf](#) and **Summer Earn and Learn (SEAL) Program Coordinator** (temporary, summer job) [SEAL Job Description 1-9-23.pdf](#). Please visit the following link for more info: www.workforcesouthplains.org

Communities in Schools (CIS) of the South Plains

Communities In Schools of the South Plains® is always accepting applications for their **ACE Site Supervisor** and **Traditional Site Coordinator** positions.

Please check their website for current openings: <https://cissouthplains.org/careers>

Applications and resumes can be submitted via email to: apply@cissouthplains.org

