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LBK Community Newsletter

"Don't stop thinking about tomorrow...Yesterday's gone"

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4th Quarter Data & Coming Announcement

The Request for Proposal and Review process is complete! The Health Department has decided on a new technology, whereby an official announcement identifying said technology will be made later in the month or early February.

December 31st was the last day LBK Community had access to the Signify Health platform. Partner agencies who have utilized the platform and would like to secure their data reports can submit requests between now and January 16th to Courtney Proffitt: cproffitt@signifyhealth.com. Thank you so much, Courtney!

It is a New Year, LBK Community, and with it we may find new challenges and old ones too. Two such "old" challenges we may find in increasing measure are Food and Energy needs. Because of this, we hope to bring on critical programs this year that help address these specific health related needs. Additionally, if there is anything we can do to support you with collaborative efforts to meet these needs, please do not hesitate to contact me. We are happy to support you. Things to consider: who can we partner with? What are some things we can do together? What would it take to do it?

With collaborative, creative solutions in mind, early in December, two LBK partners, Covenant Health (CH) and Lubbock Impact (LI), came together to address LI's wait list for dental care. They thought outside the box, considered what they could do together, and what was needed to achieve it, and held their very first all-day dental clinic on December 1st. It was a great success! They plan to host another all-day dental clinic on May

All of this to say, with inflation and other dynamics at play, we may also find in this new year, a clarion call for more collaborative efforts. As you know, together we can accomplish a lot, which is why we remain excited about you, LBK Community, and hope you are too! Let's make it a good and memorable New Year, together!

~Seydia Adkins

Fourth Quarter Numbers: Oct - Dec

Contacts Created: 53 Needs Identified: 55 Program Referrals Made: 6 Agencies On-boarded: 0

Network Performance Data

In the past 30 months, Network partners have utilized this fantastic tool!

Total Contacts Created: 517 Total Needs Identified: 841

Total Program Referrals Made: 464 Number of Partner Agencies: 31

Current Top 5 Needs:

- **Food Vouchers**
- Case Management
- Utility Service Payment Assistance At Risk/Homeless Housing

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Top 20 Under 40 Award Recipients



Kyle Galyean

LBK Community Network Advisory Council



LBK Community Network Partner Agency

If you would like to support Kyle and Chris at the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce Young Profession-

Date: January 19th
Time: 6:00pm-10:00pm **Location:** Frazier Alumni Pavilion, 2680 Drive of

Fees/Admissions: \$40 for Chamber Members

50 for Non-Chamber members

If you have any questions about this event, please reach out to Sydney Tipton or Cathy Potter at 806-761-7000 or sydney.tipton@lubbockbiz.org and/or cathy.potter@lubbockbiz.org





PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Food and Energy Needs: LBK Partners & Community Friends Who Can Help



2-1-1 is the abbreviated dialing code for free information and referrals about local community organizations and resources. It serves as the first number to call to link individuals and families to appropriate resources and information. 2-1-1 is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in multiple languages.

People calling 2-1-1 in Texas are connected directly to their local Area Information Center (AIC). The AIC maintains a comprehensive regional database of resources including federal, state, and local government agencies, community based organizations, and qualified private businesses. The South Plains region has an AIC which is located in Lubbock and serves the fifteen surrounding counties. The resources available for the South Plains region can also be found at www.211texas.org and under "Search the Database". (Retrieved from the SPAG website 12/5/22)



Lubbock Area United Way has 23 community partners who provide various and important services to our community and surrounding areas. If you ever have a question or need to find some additional resources that assist with food or utilities, here is a link to their partners: https://www.liveunitedlubbock.org/partners or call 806-747-2711. (Retrieved from the Lubbock Area United Way website 12/5/22).



Broadway Church of Christ serves a free meal at Carpenters Kitchen (Main and Ave. S) at 11:45am every Sunday! For questions, please **call** 806-763-0464.



Emergency Assistance provides service to those in need with utilities, food, clothing, hygiene, eye exams & glasses, and prescription assistance. It receives funding from Covenant Health Systems, Lubbock Lions Club, LP&L, and generous individuals. Please contact them with any questions you have at info@cclubbock.org (Retrieved from Catholic Charities website 12/5/22).



Each Wednesday, **Lubbock Impact** serves a **hot meal at 5:30 p.m.** in their Dining Hall to families and individuals they serve in the Lubbock community, as well as free Medical, Dental and Vision care, which is provided by volunteer doctors and nurses. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, they provide access to their clothes closets by appointment only for their families and individuals to shop for needed clothing and footwear, they **give out Food Vouchers** for the South Plains Food Bank and have an **emergency food pantry**. For more information, please call 806-799-4239. (*Retrieved from the Volunteer Center of Lubbock website* 12/5/22).



At the **South Plains Food Bank** we fulfill our mission of ending hunger, giving hope and enriching lives through our three main programs: **Children's Feeding, Mobile Pantry** and **our Farm, Orchard, and GRUB.** For more information: **Phone**: 806-763-3003, **Fax**: 806-741-0850, **Email**: **questions@spfb.org** (Retrieved from the South Plains Food Bank website 12/5/22).



Saint Benedict's Chapel is an ecumenical partnership of ten churches dedicated to serving Lubbock's homeless, working poor, and food insecure. Rooted in service to Jesus Christ, Saint Benedict's seeks to treat each guest with love and dignity. Free meals served 7 days a week: 5:00pm Monday-Saturday and 9:00am Sunday Breakfast (Worship service @8:30am). Address: 1615 28th Street Phone: 806-319-5528 and/or email: info@stbenedictslubbock.org (Retrieved from Saint Benedict's website 12/5/22).

COMMUNITY FRIENDS

Upbring

They serve the emergency needs of a diverse population that includes single mothers, elderly and disabled (on fixed incomes at poverty level or below), the homeless and marginally homeless, and persons who are in a temporary financial crisis. Call 806-589-1907 for Utility payment assistance. (Retrieved from Upbring website 12/5/22).

Love the Hub

Love the Hub is a non-profit agency focused on assisting families with temporary crisis needs like **utility payment assistance**, **rental assistance**, **and/or emergency food needs**. Their Team meets once a week to review applications for assistance. At this time, they are only able to assist **20 applicants per week**. You can call **Love the Hub** at 806-404-4966, or you can fill out an application at <u>lovethehub.org</u> and select the tab that says "I need help." (**NOTE**: they can assist with Atmos bills, but you will need to inquire **first**, to see if they have funds).

Catholic Charities: Direct Client Assistance (Utilities)

They are currently limiting the number of applications they accept each week, so that they can continue to respond in a timely manner to those they do receive. If the form has reached it's maximum number for the week, it will reopen the following Monday by 9am. Please contact them with any questions you have at info@cclubbock.org. (Retrieved from Catholic Charities website 12/5/22).

Lubbock County General Assistance

Rent: Our agency assists with payment for the current month's rent. The landlord must verbally agree to accept amounts offered by this office. We do not assist with deposits or pay any amount in arrears. Additional amounts are provided if rent includes utility services.

Utilities: Payment on utility bills will be for the current month only. We do not assist with deposits. The utility services must be connected. Our agency does not pay telephone bills.

Food: Before a client can apply for an emergency grocery order, he or she must provide proof from the Food Stamp office showing why they are not eligible for emergency food stamps. Our office cannot assist a client with emergency grocery orders more than once every six months.

Please call for more information, 806-775-1605 (Retrieved from Lubbock County General Assistance website 12/5/22).

4th QUARTER Busy Bee Spotlight

The following Users have been busy in the platform OR engaged in Network activities. We love to see it!: October - December



Lori Robinson Broadway Church of Christ Platform Activity



Deanne Millford
The Parenting Cottage
Network Activity



Rachel Elbert Lubbock Boys and Girls Club Network Activity

QUICK REMINDERS



LBK Community Year in Review 2022

Date: January 12, 2023

Time: 12:00-2:00 Lunch: Catered by Abuelo's

Location: Civic Center, Room 107 Guest Speaker: Kyle Galyean, Director of Social Services at UMC

RSVP by January 6, 2023 to Seydia Adkins: 806-775-3891 or sadkins@mylubbock.us

Invitations were sent to partners and community friends. Thank you to those who have already RSVP'd! We

look forward to celebrating with you!

LBK Community Meetings - will start in February (Advisory Council, Networking Sessions and Super User

Catholic Charities

Healthy Families Conference 2023

Date: January 21, 2023 Time: 9:00am-3:30pm

Location: Lubbock Memorial Civic Center

Resources and workshop sessions for the whole family! For more information or to register your family, email

PARTNER & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

family@cclubbock.org Limited capacity so sign up early!

The Parenting Cottage







Sustainable Food Center (SFC)

Sarah Castro, West Texas Food Access Manager for SFC, would love to share the following story describing the WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program that Sustainable Food Center managed in West Texas this year: https:// sustainablefoodcenter.org/latest/blog/expanding-food-access-in-west-texas-with-the-wic-voucher-program

North Lubbock Neighborhood Association





For Her



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Charities

Do you have experience working with children? Positions available in Lubbock, Levelland, & Brownfield. Full time w/ great benefits! For more information visit their website or click on this link: Jobs | Catholic Charities Diocese of Lubbock (cclubbock.org) No phone calls please

The Parenting Cottage

The Parenting Cottage is adding a full-time parent/child educator for our Parents as Teachers home visiting program. Prospective applicants must hold a minimum of a 4-year bachelor's degree in the field of Human Development & Family Studies, Social Work, Early Childhood or a closely related field. For more information Interested applicants should email a complete resume including references related to work experience to: carla.olson@parentingcottage.org

City of Lubbock Health Department

The health department has several positions open for hire: Epidemiologist, Health Promotion Worker-Behavioral Health program, and a Tobacco Preventionist. Please click on this link to learn more about each position and application process: <u>Job Opportunities | Departments: Health Department | Sorted by Job Title</u> ascending | Human Resources (governmentjobs.com)

Sustainable Food Center

Is hiring for a full-time Program Coordinator. Here is the link to the job post: https://sustainablefoodcenter.org/ careers/west-texas-food-access-coordinator For more information about the position:



Workforce Solutions South Plains

Is Hosting a Virtual Job Fair on Tuesday, January 24th, from 10:00am—3:00pm. No cost for employers or job seekers to attend. Link for jobseekers: <u>Job Seeker-VJF version 2.pdf</u> Link for employers: <u>Employer-VJF version 2.pdf</u>

Buckner's Family Hope Center

Hiring for Director and/or Family Coach/case manager: https://www.buckner.org/current-nonprofit-jobopenings



