



**DENTON COUNTY
HOMELESSNESS
LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Making homelessness rare, brief and nonrecurring

A collective impact initiative supported by:



United Way of Denton County

- Feb. 2016 – Hired Community Impact Coordinator for Homelessness Initiatives
- Feb. to April 2016 – Recruited for county-wide collective impact initiative
- May 2016 – Launched Denton County Homelessness Leadership Team (DCHLT)



DENTON COUNTY HOMELESSNESS LEADERSHIP TEAM

Serves as the Denton County oversight committee (14-23 Total Members)

Denton County (1)	City of Denton (1-2)	City of Lewisville (1-2)	Small Cities/ Towns (1-2)	Homelessness/ Housing Providers Board Member (5-6)	Healthcare Providers (2-4)	Higher Education (1-2)	Workforce/ Business Development (1-2)	UWDC Board Member (1-2)
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WORK GROUPS

<u>HOUSING:</u> Emergency, Transitional, Permanent Supportive Housing	<u>DATA:</u> Consistent, Comprehensive and Accessible	<u>CONSUMER:</u> Homeless or Formerly Homeless	<u>TBD:</u> Future group as needed
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Work groups will involve broader range of Change Agents

Appointed By:	Appointee Name	Title	Organization
Denton County Commissioners Court	Bobbie J. Mitchell	Commissioner	Denton County Precinct # 3
City of Denton	Chris Watts	Mayor	City of Denton
City of Denton	Keely Briggs	Councilwoman	City of Denton
City of Lewisville	TJ Gilmore	Councilman	City of Lewisville
City of Lewisville	Chasz Parker, Mdiv	Community Member	Christian Community Action
Small Cities/Towns	Thomas Muir	Mayor	City of Sanger
Small Cities/Towns	Valerie Foster	Parent & Homeless Liaison	Sanger ISD & Community Outreach
Serve Denton	Stephen Coffey	Board Member	Serve Denton
Giving Hope, Inc.	Cynthia Harris	Board Member	Giving Hope, Inc.
Denton County Friends of the Family	Alice Mankoff	Board Member	Denton County Friends of the Family
Monsignor King Outreach Center	Roy Metzler	Board Member	Monsignor King Outreach Center
Salvation Army - Denton	Sandra Robinson	Board Member	Salvation Army - Denton
Denton Affordable Housing Corporation	Vacant		
Denton Regional Medical Center	Barton Duffy	Administrative Director	Denton Regional Medical Center
Denton Community Health Clinic	Terry Widmer	Board Member	Denton Community Health Clinic
Denton County Health Department	Isabel Rodriguez	Indigent Health Care Program Coordinator	Denton County Health Department
Texas Health Presbyterian	Kathy Srokosz, MS, RN	Outpatient and Chronic Care Services Director, Education and Professional Practice	Texas Health Presbyterian
Health Services of North Texas	Herman Oosterwijk	Board Member	Health Services of North Texas
North Central Texas College	Jessica DeRoche, Med. NCC, LPC	Director of Flower Mound Campus	North Central Texas College
Higher Education	Vacant		
Workforce/Business Development	Monica Glenn	Board Member	Denton Chamber of Commerce
Workforce/Business Development	Vacant		Lewisville Chamber of Commerce
United Way of Denton County Inc.	Sherri McDade	Board Member	United Way of Denton County Inc.
United Way of Denton County Inc.	Chief Lee Howell	Board Member	United Way of Denton County Inc.

Vision

Every person in Denton County has a place to call home that is safe, affordable, accessible and supported by community resources.

Mission

The Denton County Homelessness Leadership Team fosters an effective and coordinated system of homelessness prevention and intervention, resulting in homelessness that is rare, brief and nonrecurring through:

- Community awareness and connection
- Data-driven, evidenced-based, fiscally responsible recommendations
- Innovative solutions around affordable housing, access to primary and behavioral health care services, adequate incomes and coordinated services
- Mobilizing, advocating and empowering public-private community-wide collaboration



DCHLT 2016-2017 Officers

- Chair – Mayor Chris Watts
- Co-Chair – Chasz Parker, Mdiv
- Secretary – Councilman TJ Gilmore
- Past Chair – Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell



DCHLT Workgroups

- Housing Workgroup
- Data Workgroup
- Consumer Workgroup



DCHLT Accomplishments

- June 2016 – Denton Chamber of Commerce Requests Appointment
- Aug. 2016 – Help to secure \$399,500 of stopgap funding in wake of \$600,00 loss of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding
- Sept. 2016 – Denton County Homeless Coalition Requests Appointment
- Sept. 2016 – Adopted comprehensive definition of homelessness for Denton County
- Ongoing– Support implementation of Coordinated Entry system



DCHLT Next Steps

- DCHLT Strategic Planning
- Denton Supportive Housing Pilot
- County-Wide Housing Inventory
- Support efforts to increase homelessness funding and affordable housing in Denton County



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HOMELESSNESS SUMMIT

**Saturday
Nov. 12th
9am - 3pm**

**Help us make
homelessness
rare, brief and
nonrecurring in
Denton County**

**Denton Public
Safety Training
Center
719 E. Hickory**

Registration & Event Information: tinyurl.com/dcosummit



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