



Thursday, June 11, 2026 | 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Hybrid Meeting

Physical – UWDC Community Room: 1314 Teasley Lane, Denton, TX 76205

Virtual – Zoom Video Conference Link Attached in Email

Agenda:

I.	Welcome & Introductions	Chair	3 min.
II.	Votes	Chair	5 min.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VOTE – Approval of Meeting Minutes April 		
III.	Denton County Eviction Advocacy Pilot	Peter Mungiguerra	30 min.
IV.	Data Dashboard	Kelly Partin	10 min.
V.	The Path Home	Elena Shehan	10 min.
VI.	Workgroup Report Highlights		10 min.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthcare • Diversion • Housing • Cross Care Collaborative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isabel R. & Lisa B. Daphne H. Terry W. Carlos H & Alessia 	
VII.	Backbone Support Highlights (inside packet)	UWDC	10 min.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team • Denton County Workforce Success Leadership Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shelby Redondo-Macon Shelby Redondo-Macon 	
VIII.	Public Comment	Chair	5 min.
IX.	New Business	Chair	5 min.
X.	Adjourn	Chair	1 min.

Next Meeting Date:

Thursday, August 13, 2026 | 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. | Hybrid Meeting

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**Denton County Housing & Homelessness Leadership Team Meeting
8:00 AM April 9, 2026
Hybrid Meeting**

Welcome & Introductions

Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM by Terry Widmer. Welcome Thomas Bledsoe from Our Daily Bread, Lisa Benton from Texas Health Resources, and Officer Justin Dimas from The Colony Police Department.

Votes

Introduced Thomas Bledsoe, board member from Our Daily Bread as new appointee to the leadership team, motion by Bobbie Mitchell, consensus approval.
February 26 meeting minutes were reviewed, motion by Jesse Kent, consensus approval.

Denton County Mental Health & Jail Diversion Center Pilot

Alessia dal Monte and Carlos Henderson presented the recommendation of the Denton County Mental Health & Jail Diversion Center pilot program for approval. Motion made and seconded to approve the pilot program to move forward as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Strategic Plan 2026-2028

Jesse Kent and Olivia Mata-Williams presented the Denton County Strategic Plan for 2026-2028. Goals have been divided into four lanes including Diversion/Prevention, Housing Response, Engagement and Collaboration and Housing Supports. Motion made and seconded it to move forward with the Strategic Plan for 2026-2028. Motion carried unanimously.

Workgroup Updates

For consideration of time, workgroup updates are included in the meeting packet.

Backbone Support Updates

For consideration of time, backbone support updates are included in the meeting packet.

Public Comment

2026 Denton County State of Homelessness

Annual event scheduled for Friday, May 1st at 9:00 AM at the 2020 Room. QR codes and branding materials in development. Informal fundraiser scheduled for Thursday, April 30th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Bearded Monk. Event details posted to social media. Eventbrite registration link available for seat reservation (free, open to public). Presentation will cover Point-in-Time Count data, Housing Crisis Response System outcomes for the past year, and future outlook. Board members, potential members, volunteers, and community partners encouraged to attend.

New Business

Dani Shaw from Denton County Friends of the Family brought new business to the leadership team concerning a program pilot to address the need for a lethality assessment to be considered when prioritizing housing project openings. Motion made and seconded to move forward with the pilot. Motion carried unanimously

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM. Next meeting scheduled for June 11, 2026 at 8:00 AM.



Carlos Henderson
DCHHLT Secretary



Housing: May 2026

CHAIR: TERRY WIDMER

OBJECTIVE & GOALS 2026-2028:

- *Improve housing outcomes for those on the HPL*
- *Identify affordable housing solutions gap analysis*

Meeting Summary (provide meeting date and items discussed during meeting)

Weekly meetings with front door agencies are held to collaboratively address barriers and develop solutions that support individuals and families progressing toward stable housing. Discussions focus on systems coordination, resource alignment, and continuous process improvement.

Short Term Action Items

- Increase consistency in participation from agencies
- Identify number of affordable housing units available in Denton County

Accomplishments

- Housing crisis response system has housed 147 people since October 1, 2025

Concerns

- There is an ongoing need to identify and secure training resources that support frontline agency staff in delivering effective, evidence-based case management services

Next Meeting Dates

Weekly on Mondays, 3 PM- 4 PM (excludes holidays)

Hybrid; UWDC and Zoom



DATA Workgroup: May 2026

CHAIR: STEPHEN COFFEY

OBJECTIVE & GOALS:

Identify ways to integrate data support for other HHLT workgroups to advance funding and advocacy efforts

Meeting Summary

There are currently 298 households actively experiencing homelessness on our Housing Priority List. The 298 total number breaks down into:

28 families	7 veteran households
207 individual households	65 households experiencing chronic homelessness
43 fleeing domestic violence	

Denton County school districts' data was updated in September 2025. The two largest school districts reported the following:

- Denton ISD: 429 students (September 2025)
- Lewisville ISD: 458 students (September 2025)

Housing intervention prioritization breakdown:

- Diversion Services: Households (15.3%; n=36)
- Rapid Rehousing Intervention: Households (46%; n=108)
- Permanent Supportive Housing Intervention: Households (38.7%; n=91)

Short Term Action Items

- The data workgroup will partner with Diversion workgroup to develop a process for Diversion data collection and integration into the data dashboard.
- The workgroup will gather and synthesize information about how data related to Diversion and Coordinated Entry are entered into HMIS.
- Drafting an approach to documenting diversion-related services for use in reporting and advocacy.

Accomplishments

Concerns

- Responding to agency needs and discussing a process for timely, accurate, and useful data collection, analysis, and reporting.



- Leveraging HMIS capabilities for insights on homeless populations and opportunities for cross-sector collaboration.

Next Meeting Dates

Occurs every second Thursday from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Zoom



Diversion: May 2026

CHAIR NAME: DAPHNE HOUSTON

OBJECTIVE & GOALS 2026-2028:

- *Implement and support Diversion workflow in HMIS for agencies*
- *Improve data collection for Diversion in HMIS*
- *Increase community dollars sourced for Barriers Fund*

Meeting Summary (provide meeting date and items discussed during meeting)

The group is also operationalizing Diversion practices for agencies and HMIS.

Short Term Action Items

- Add time to review Diversion enrollments during each Housing Workgroup.
- Using the monthly data dashboard as a guide for goal setting for the 80+ persons that fit criteria for diversion services
- UWDC Backbone support continues to provide guidance to case managers and gather feedback as integration of the process takes place.
- Create a graphic that represents the Denton County diversion process.
- Work with Data workgroup on creating client encounters for diversion visualization

Accomplishments

- Established priorities for 2026: identifying funding resources, diversion categories, integration of Barriers Fund to goals

Concerns

- Availability of flexible funds to support diversion problem-solving efforts.
- Tracking diversion activities within HMIS.

Next Meeting Dates

Zoom- 2nd Wednesday of each month at 2pm



Healthcare: May 2026

CHAIR: ISABEL RODRIGUEZ & LISA BENTON

OBJECTIVE & GOALS:

- *Increase access to healthcare services for people experiencing homelessness*
- *Increase community resources for healthcare workers*
- *Identify data points from participating organizations and agencies in Denton County*

Meeting Summary

The workgroup convened to outline the next steps in planning for a medical respite program. Discussions centered on establishing a foundational set of goals to be achieved by the end of 2026, aligning efforts with community healthcare needs and system capacity.

Short Term Action Items

- Continue stakeholder outreach and expand membership across sectors
- Priorities include advocacy and supporting building a trusted network through FindHelp

Accomplishments

- Collecting advocacy goals from group for local, state, and federal efforts
- Confirming support for medical providers to activate their FindHelp site

Concerns

- Agencies report an increasing gap in available healthcare services and persistently unmet medical needs among the unhoused population, highlighting the urgency for coordinated intervention and resource development.

Next Meeting Dates

First Tuesdays of the month, 12 PM – 1 PM



May 2026 Backbone Support Updates:

Denton County Housing & Homelessness Leadership Team

- The State of Homelessness presentation occurred on Friday, May 1st at the Denton County Courthouse 2020 room.
- Plans for the upcoming Homelessness Response 101 training is set for Thursday, July 23rd. Flyer attached to register.
- Landlord Engagement is expanding its Housing Connectors agreement to the Denton Community Shelter, operated by Our Daily Bread.
- Submitted Texas Health Resources Community Grant to support modernizing navigation services.

Denton County Behavioral Health Leadership Team

- In May the data workgroup sent out a survey to all BHLT to provide guidance on their next project.

Denton County Workforce Success Leadership Team

- City of Lewisville presented on their economic mobility survey that went out to residents in 75057 and 75067.
- The economic mobility workgroup presented data from Metrocrest Services who has been utilizing EMPathways in direct service practice.
- VITA grants were submitted to the IRS and City of Carrollton.

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Homelessness Response 101

1:00 - 4:00 PM

Thursday, July 23, 2026

This training is open to everyone!
Participants will gain a deeper understanding of Denton County's Housing Crisis Response System. Scan the QR code or sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/efTsS8ED3zf8aVoM6>

Location:

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Denton County**

1314 Teasley Ln. Denton, TX

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