

# **Department of Human Services**

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## Family Resource Network (FRN) Regional Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 9, 2023 3:00-4:30pm, MS Teams

#### **Attendance**

#### Present

- Robin Bohannan
- Danielle Butler
- Susan Caskey
- Marc Cowell
- Elizabeth Crowe
- Christina Pacheco
- Mandy Perera
- Karin Stayton
- Julie Van Domelen

#### Absent

- BVSD (Vacant Seat)
- Darlene Bushue
- Suzanne Crawford
- Dr. Perla Delgado
- Betsey Martens
- Lexi Nolen
- Simon Smith
- Johnny Terrell

#### Staff Present

- Georgina Becerril
- Bill Cole
- Katrina Harms
- Susana Lopez-Baker
- Gwen Mossman
- Katie Warning
- Whitney Wilcox

#### Welcome and Introductions

The regular meeting of the FRN Regional Council was called to order by Julie Van Domelen

## **Approval of January 2023 FRN Regional Council Meeting Minutes**

Julie called for approval of the January 2023 FRN Regional Council meeting minutes. Minutes were unanimously approved.

## Family Resource Network 2023 Workplan Priorities and Discussion

Whitney reviewed the draft of the 2023-2024 work plan and asked the Regional Council for input on overall priorities and strategies prior to seeking approval. No additional input was provided, and the work plan was approved.

## **Regional Council Membership Discussion**

Members discussed filling unrecruited and vacant seats on the Regional Council. To identify current gaps, membership reviewed an analysis of the current Regional Council membership, which was organized by system, social determinant of health (SDOH) focus, and region. The membership agreed to address SDOH behavioral health and safety gaps. The membership also agreed to prioritize Regional Council membership for organizations with existing LAC membership. Members elected to invite MHP, Safe Shelter, SPAN, and AMISTAD to join the Regional Council. Membership recommended inviting El Comité and Out Boulder County to join one of the LACs. The membership of these organizations will be discussed at upcoming LAC meetings.

### Local Area Collaborative Housing Navigation Maps – Roll-Out and Outreach Plan

Whitney shared that the <a href="https://www.housing.navigation.maps">housing navigation.maps</a> the LACs developed have been published. These maps were designed to help frontline staff help connect residents with organizations providing financial assistance for rent, utilities, and emergency shelter. Whitney will send an email to LAC and Regional Council members with information explaining the maps, where to find them online, and whom to contact for questions. Organizations are encouraged to share the maps with their teams and networks that might find them useful. Organizations can also link to or embed the maps on their websites.

## **Key Updates**

Organizations shared updates on their activities and current community needs.

The meeting was adjourned.