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Plus I'm on pain medication and that doesn't, you know.

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Good morning everybody. Thank you all for coming this morning. I think I
would like to call this meeting to order.

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It is a little bit after 9, and we are calling the Champaign County
Developmental Disabilities Board

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Meeting to order. I guess the first thing is a roll call.

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Is someone able to?

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Susan Fowler.

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Georgiana Schuster. Kim. Vicki Niswander. Anne Robin.

00:08:54.492 --> 00:08:56.492
Here.

00:09:01.375 --> 00:09:03.375
Yeah. Okay.

00:09:06.186 --> 00:09:08.186
Yeah.

00:09:13.233 --> 00:09:19.233
She just walked in. Just walked in. Okay, Anne Robin is here.

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I didn't hear Susan Fowler. She there?

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I'm here, I'm sorry, forgot the mic.

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Okay, thanks.

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Leah Taylor is also here. I don't count. So, so just so you all know,
Vicki is on Zoom, so we need to take an action that's not listed on the
agenda.

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You're ready. Okay. The action is to allow Vicki Niswander to be involved in our meeting.

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And I need a motion. I so move. And then a second. I'll second.

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Okay, thank you.

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So Vicki is involved in our meeting. Okay, the first.

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You'll need to vote.

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Oh, we need to vote. Oh, I'm sorry.

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All those in favor say aye. Aye. And opposed?

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Nope. Okay, so the motion has passed.

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And next to the approval of our agenda.

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Oh, Susan. I move to approve the agenda. Thank you.

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This is Vicki, I'll second that motion.

00:10:43.518 --> 00:10:51.518
Vicki is seconding that motion. So, so all in favor say aye. Aye.

00:10:50.747 --> 00:10:52.747
Aye.

00:10:52.932 --> 00:10:54.932
And you opposed?

00:10:56.308 --> 00:10:58.308
Okay, the motion has passed.

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In our booklets here, we have a listing of our schedules and our timetable.

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We have acronyms and glossary. We have time for citizen input and public participation.

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So that's when people get to stand up and speak. Is there anyone here who would like to do that?

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Yes? Do you want to come up to the microphone?

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Can you? You might have to touch it so that, there's a little spot there at the bottom.

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Is it on now? It is on yes. Okay. I'm, Nancy Uchtmann.

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I live in, I am on the respite task force of Illinois now, and we meet 6 times a year.

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And I've written down my concerns. And I hope this board can address these things in the future.

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There's an obvious shortage of caregivers for those with DD. Can we have a federal immigration program that would give visas to those who want to care for the DD population?

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Right now, we have classifications such as nanny for children. But we don't have an adult Daycare

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Caregiver category. To my knowledge. At present an online high school diploma does not meet the minimal requirements for becoming an aide for the DD population.

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More students are opting to go for an online high school. What you call GED. Why isn't

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The online.

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GED accepted as a qualification for um someone who wants to work with the DD population?

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If an adult in a wheelchair needed respite care today, where would they go? I have no idea.

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Where is there an open bed? Does anybody know? If an adult over the age of 60 with DD needs residential care,

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Why can't, can't they be admitted to a memory care unit, assisted living, intermediate care facility, or skilled care facility directly by their guardians?

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Why at that point do they need to go through all the hoops and have an ISP?

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Whatever it is. Come to their home, evaluate them. Yes, you can do this. You can do that.

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And are these facilities and I - Categorized - unable to accept a DD adult per regulation?

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It seems that the CILA type situation is the only solution. Someone reaches the age of 60

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And is medically fragile and we all become that way eventually if we live long enough, where can they go other than a cellar?

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Another point is we are very short of CILA inspectors. The CILAs are not being inspected and evaluated

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On a regular basis, as per regulation. We are short. We're short caregivers. We're short

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What I'm calling inspectors. What are we doing about that? And could an adult daycare program be established in Champaign County with a special grant?

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Well, I don't know if those of you who are very young, remember, but you remember when Champaign County nursing home had a very good daycare program.

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It was well utilized. It seemed that they accepted a variety of people, and they have provided bus transportation.

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Was I think an 8 to 4 program. It enabled caregivers to work. It gave these adults

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A social situation. I mean, they included time for a shower if it was required and, you know, paid for somehow.

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But anyway, it was a wonderful program. We no longer have that. And then
my last

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Last part is to say, please stay focused on the needs of the DD
population and do not become distracted by other well-meaning programs.

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And I have a copy of this for whoever might like it. Thanks. Thank you
for listening.

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Thank you.

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We welcome all public participation if there is any more. We'll hear it
now.

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No one on the zoom is raising... No one on the zoom. Okay.

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Then we'll look ahead or move ahead. There is a spot here for
chairperson's

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Comments, and I don't really have any comments so I can move on, but
Vicki might do you have a comment. Vicki?

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I just apologize for not being there today. Several people already know
that I had a major surgery on Thursday a knee replacement.

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So I'm still recovering from that. Hopefully by March, I'll be ready to
go,

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And I appreciate everyone being there to do the work that needs to be
done. And that's all I have to say.

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Alright, next we have the executive director's comments. I tried to write
them down on a tiny post-it note to contain what I'm gonna say.

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This is - I'm looking forward to this meeting actually. This is - We've
got some presentations, which is always fun and lots of information and
not a whole lot of action for you all just just the 3 things.

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So. It should maybe it'll be, you know, good, feeling good. So I just spent 6 days

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Of consecutive conference sessions, 6 full days. Like some of them not, Yeah, like mostly pretty heavy topics, but I really needed to find the positives and share the positives with you, and there ARE some positives.

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First of all, the first 3 days were NACO, which is National Association of Counties, and my main obligation there is on the health policy committee, and we have - When I started in that group, there was no mention at all or acknowledgement of intellectual and developmental disabilities in spite of the crisis that we have all been feeling.

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So the fact that they weren't talking about it all was kind of shocking. They do now.

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They also, to to my great delight, they're talking about a lot of things that are important to us.

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It used to be just nursing home regulations, but now there are elected officials across the country who are really interested in the things that are important to us, including the workforce shortage.

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So, so there's a, you know, little growing awareness of intellectual developmental disability system problems and needs and the value of community-based services.

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So yay for that. But at NACBHDDD, the National Association of County Behavioral Health and DD Directors,

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The integration of IDD is amazing. Like they're really, they're really taking it seriously.

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Almost every session has IDD somewhere in the title, like we are not going to leave people out. And even better than that, they're going sort of deep.

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We had a presentation from HRSA, which is the main funder for the federal - federally qualifying health centers about initiatives that they have that are very specific to supporting people with developmental disabilities by having their parents be the trainers of health care professionals who will work, especially children with autism.

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So that's - that was really refreshing, really nice. And a whole session devoted to another thing that we've all been talking about forever, and that's people with developmental disabilities when they also have a mental health need, whether it's severe or short term, like that's been a huge gap in our system and you know there's there were 2, it was the director of NADD, the director

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of, they, they're all NA and then a smash of other letters, 3 different associations working on a conference

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On MH and DD, so that was great. And then just to kind of to acknowledge the workforce issue I wanted to tell you that the first session that we had was called, I think it was something like "introducing the new behavioral health workforce,"

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And it was actually very young people, like introducing the new behavioral health workforce. And it was actually very young people, 4 really young people, the moderator was really young, and they were talking about what has inspired them to come into the field.

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Mostly it was behavioral health a little bit DD also, and what the barriers were, and to no one's shock,

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Money is the big barrier. Like it's money and a little bit about, you know, supervision could be better and more direct when you're young and new to the field, but it was really mostly about money so you know, big rocket science there.

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And then finally, this is on - Done with the conferences. We've started preliminary work on the on the agency requests for funding.

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The board members and staff can access the, all of the forms online, but it isn't, as agencies know it's not always easy to use.

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So we have other ways that people can review the applications, including downloaded PDFs, which I will share with all of the board members today.

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So if that's an easier way to review, and then if you want them printed, that's also something we can do.

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That's it.

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Thank you, Lynn. It is encouraging to hear that people are talking about DD much more

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And also that advocacy is coming to the forefront. Okay. So we're moving on.

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We have another approval thing. We're going to approve the board meeting minutes from from last month. So I need a

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Person to make that motion, a motion to approve the minutes. Thank you. And you'll - second Susan Fowler.

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Thank you, Susan. So that motion is made and seconded. We need to have a quick vote.

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All those in favor say aye. Aye. And opposed. Okay, that is approved.

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And then. Next action is on our vendor invoice list. We need to Approve those.

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These are things that were paid during the month, the previous month during January. And I went to this a lot because I'm kind of a financial person and I talked to poor Chris over there, going quite a bit too.

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But the vendor invoice list that's on page 20 gives us one total, and the account detail history that's on pages 21 and 22 gives us another total, and I wondered what is the difference between the two?

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And one is a cash basis - what actual checks were written, and the other is an accrual basis - what was actually due that month.

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So all was good and I just need another. A motion, I guess, to approve these vendor invoices.

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A motion to approve the invoice list. Thank you. Second. Okay, we have a motion and a second.

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Just does everyone all in favor say aye? Aye.

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Aye.

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And opposed?

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Okay, we are through with that section. And now everyone has had a chance
to look at the staff reports.

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So we're going to move right on. This, there any comments on that? Yes,
it sounds like Kim has a comment.

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I just had a couple of questions any for you, Kim. I was - I wrote down
next to the audit for PACE and the issues for CU Autism Network,

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Like how can we help or how like how can we more be more supportive to
them? So for the PACE, not having the audit,

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Do we need to do anything more for them to help make sure they continue
their payments or? You did last month.

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Right. But at the time that I wrote this, we hadn't had the meeting. I'm
sorry.

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So. I thought the payment was just till this month, but so we, I guess I
forgot when we made the extension until like do we need to do another
extension as what I'm asking.

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I believe that was - You approved payments until I think the - There's a
point when the contract's cancelled if there's no audit, and that's March
thirtieth.

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Okay, so you approved payments up till then if it looks like the audit is
going to be later than that, you can approve a waiver of the contract
cancellation.

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So that's an item that we could bring you in the March meeting, and it
would not be too late.

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We just need to know from PACE what their expectation is, but as far as
supporting them, I think they have a good auditor.

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I mean, I think they're doing the work ,and they're doing it better than
we could. We shouldn't.

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But. No, I think that's what I meant. Yeah. In my question of how can we support them, do we need to extend anything more?

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But that sounds like we don't. How can we support them? Do we need to extend anything more for that? That sounds like we don't.

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Maybe in March. And then for The CU autism network, they're like shifting the grant a little bit.

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There's 2 contract amendments that are out for signature, and there's a weekly reminder that's being sent.

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I've spoken with their executive director. It's in their board president's hands so I'm not sure what, you know, aside from driving to his house and telling him to, you know, I - there's a weekly reminder being sent for that so

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Yes, he's nice, but it's, I feel like that's overstepping, so

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Just one other thing. So Shandra talked about being part of the Urbana school district's Teen mental health first aid site.

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So I thought - I wrote how exciting. That's great, Shandra. Thank you for that update.

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Thank you. We're still working on the logistics with National Council because, unlike being certified in

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Mental health first aid for adults and the youth and other specific populations, with the teens - because of the liability of working with young people and them having skills -

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The National Council of Well Being wants to make sure that there is consistent sustainability.

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So, they actually have to go through a process of applying and then they'll name me as an instructor

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To begin helping teach the students, but there has to be an onsite coordinator in order for - to ensure that it can be implemented.

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Thank you for the update. So I was watching last month in this month's Urbana School

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Meeting so they had one last night, and they were talking about just tremendous need for children at the middle school level.

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So I was just wondering when it says teens, are you think is it more you know obviously teens kind of are at eighth grade or so, but would you guys at all be working at the middle school level potentially?

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So, what it would be is I think you have to be, 15 to 16 years, 15.

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To 18 years old in order to take the training. And these are peer to peer situations and so what could happen is where high school students

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Or their peers would be able to come and provide that support like in after school programs, at football games, basketball games, social situations,

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And so that's what, the model hopefully implements so that their peers would be supported by their friends.

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And usually if there's a older sibling involved, they're usually the first people that may hear of something about a younger sibling.

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I don't know if it will change over time. But, not. But just to answer your question,

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Middle school students are not going to be trained. It's usually sophomores that are usually trained

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As the people implementing the responders.

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That makes sense. Thank you so much for that extra.

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You're welcome.

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I'm Mike's not on. Hello, we have some new business for today. We're gonna have some reports and the first one is from community choices.

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They will be talking to us about transportation and staff retention.

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Okay, let me pull up my slides.

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This is very exciting, Becca. Thank you for accepting the high-tech
mission.

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Alright, let's see.

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Working? Look at that. Okay. Great.

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It really wants me to turn the volume up, but I'm not going to listen to
it.

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I can't, everything's covering the slide show button. All right, there we
go. So I'm, I'm, I'm Becca Obuchowski with community choices, and we had
2 new programs that we started in FY

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24, and so I'm just going to kind of talk talk through those. The first
one, and also, excuse me, I'm like have this lingering cold and cough.

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So if I go into a coughing fit, my apologies. The first one is
transportation. So this was a program that we started based on a lot of
community input based on I know this was a topic that had been discussed
here at the board meetings.

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It's something that many of our members brought up and that came up, you
know, in conversation statewide.

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So we decided to try to address it. So the way that the program works is
that rides are available to any community choices members.

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And so just, with our structure, you can choose to be a community choices
member to do - participate in our social opportunities, our leadership
opportunities,

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Our like employment and our community support programs don't require
membership. It's a very, very similar process.

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Either way you go. There's a very small fee for being a member, which we waive, no questions asked, if that's a barrier for somebody, but to sort of sort of just create some some nice sort of sort of boundaries to the program.

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And we did decide to make this available just to our members at this point. Rides can be to pretty much anywhere a person wants to go.

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So errands, but just sort of starting and stopping within Champaign County.

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Scheduled rides do need to be scheduled the day before, and then essentially we have drivers that come and pick the person up at the scheduled time, take them to wherever they're going, drop them off.

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So it's a little bit of a mix of a, sort of an Uber Lyft rideshare and a paratransit model.

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So it's a individual driver. It's somebody the person knows. But it does need to be scheduled.

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So it's got kind of elements of both. We have 3 drivers. We have Boyd who works from 8 to noon.

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Janelle, who's there from 12 to 4, and Lyle who is there from 4 to 8 p.

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M.

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So who is eligible, as I said, active participant, our active community choices members. Folks do need to be registered on the PUNS list or eligible for those services and they need to live in Champaign County.

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Rides are not for family members. Our membership does extend to the family members of our, of the folks with disabilities.

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But these rides are really focused on the individual unless they needed a family member to ride along with them for some reason, that would be no issue.

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Obviously they, they must be on the PUNS list. And, and those folks who don't live in Champaign County would not be able to be served.

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So we're, rides are available Monday through Friday from 8 A. M. To 8 P.

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M. We hope that we would kind of catch most of people's, you know, work day, a lot of people's avail - like, you know, the times that you're sort of most likely to be out of your house doing things.

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So types of rides, as I said, it's really available for everything. So work, leisure, visits to family and friends, medical appointments.

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We do offer rides to our social opportunities now. So, so that's an option for folks now.

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Errands, and then people also have the option not to tell us. So.

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There are a few limitations, so we did decide that we didn't want to become sort of the de facto transportation for other services that are specific for people with disabilities.

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So we're not for for instance, offering rides to CUSR events, and they have at times, I'm not sure exactly of the status right now, but they have offered their own transportation services.

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So, we've kind of capped the number of rides people have at 12 right now.

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We started off at 8 rides people have at 12 right now. We started off at 8 rides per month.

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We started off at 8 rides per month. We got started with rides in like in early August. We started off at 8 rides per month.

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We started with 8 because we didn't know how much sort of capacity we would have, how busy we would be, and we realized we did have more sort of availability, so we did increase that to 12 starting in September.

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We got started with rides in like in early August, just while we staffed everything up and got everybody trained.

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And we're continuing to kind of track this and I made sure to tell people like this may change, it might go up, go down depending on kind of the business of it over time.

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That being said, if there are specific events in a person's life or if,
you know, there's some sort of need for an additional service, like we're
happy to work with people and we've been doing that up to this point.

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So, rides do need to be scheduled by noon the day before with our
transportation coordinator.

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They have kind of a 9 to one schedule, and so giving the ride scheduled
for the next day by noon allows her to send out reminders, make sure that
the drivers know where they're headed, kind of sets up the schedule and
make sure everything can fit together.

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And then we do, we, I've been offered up to a month in advance. We
decided to simplify things.

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We got like, well, is it a rolling month? And so rides open up the
fifteenth of the month prior to so you know February fifteenth opened up
March rides.

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Our transportation coordinator is Marilla McMurray. And a lot of people,
we started out using kind of an online reservation form, which people can
still use.

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Although I think as people have gotten to know more a better, a lot of
times they're just calling her, texting her.

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And just kind of working things out directly with her, which is great.
Rides are first come first served.

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And then in addition, so we'd never intended for this program to meet
every transportation need. We don't want any of our programs to meet
every single one of a person's needs because we want people to be using
the resources that exist in the community and have sort of a range of
opportunities of options that they can kind of go to for whatever that's
going on in their life.

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And so sort of in order to support that, we wanted to make sure that
there was sort of additional options built into the program so we can
help people get a MTD bus pass if they need that.

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We can help them learn how to use that fixed route system. We can help
folks learn how to use the ride sharing apps.

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In addition, like learning how to use some of the technology that might
make people feel a little bit more comfortable and confident using some
of those technologies.

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And that can be for the person it could also be for the family. So we've
worked, you know, we can work with people to like set up the, you know,
like find my friends or there's lots of other apps that you can that you
can use as part of those like Uber to make sure like, okay, I feel sure
that my person has gotten off at their job because I can see on my phone

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that they're walking into the job because I can see on my phone that
they're walking into the store or whatever.

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And that was one of the things that, we did some, sort of surveys and
sort of conversations with a lot of our members sort of prior to starting
the program.

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To sort of just see like, you know, what what services are you using
right now or what are the barriers that are keeping you from using some
of those services.

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And obviously the cost of Uber and Lyft is prohibitive for a lot of
people. But I think maybe just as significant was sort of the sense of
safety that people had and not knowing like who's going to pick them up.

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Is that a safe person? And so some people, you know, are they going to
get let the person off at a weird, place, you know.

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And so I think there's, for some folks, the use of these technologies can
help sort of

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Create like a little bit of like mitigation to that risk or to that fear
that allows you to sort of again access that service.

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So right now, so. And this I made in mid January, so it's changed a
little bit.

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So far we've had 25 total riders out of our 87 members. So it's about 29%
of our members have used the service so far and I'll say some people use
it like

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We see them like every day. We, use all their 12 rides. There's some
folks that use it just once or twice a month.

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Kind of given some of the demographics of our riders as well as we were
we really wanted to make sure that we could sort of reach the folks who
lived in the surrounding communities.

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Obviously, there's way less options for transportation for those folks.
And so we've been really encouraged to see that, that a lot of the folks
who do live out of town are taking advantage of it.

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So again, as of mid January, we've given 431 rides.

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The vast majority of those were for work, you know, trips to work,
picking folks up from work.

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The next sort of highest one was community choices events and and this
honestly I probably should have created different categories when we
started doing our tracking because this can include our social
opportunities which are very structured and our staff are there, it can
also include some of the like the meetups that happen between our members
where, you know, we may have helped set that up.

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Sometimes years ago. And it really just runs itself, but they are, I
think for the most part, all community choices members who are in
attendance.

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And I think when we ask folks, they're saying, yeah, that's a community
choices thing because they feel like it's part of that sort of community.

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And so just to, you know, sort of clarify that that could be, you know,
specific to things that we've set up, but it could also be things that
our members have set up themselves.

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But then also, you know, a lot of appointments, errands... we have some
people that, you know, we see them once a week to go pick up their check
and cash it.

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It's really nice to sort of see people build in some of that routine a
little bit. Yeah, no shows, not a big issue.

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Folks have been really communicative. That's gone really well. So we also have been doing, just to kind of get sort of ongoing sort of program feedback and evaluation for the the new the new program,

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We've been distributing a monthly survey to all the participants who've used the service that month.

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And it's the same every time. So we were hoping to be able to see kind of like, what is the impact of the program over time?

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We haven't had super great, response rates. People, you know, don't love filling out surveys.

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I think we're actually gonna shift to a quarterly thing. I think people feel like they're repeating themselves.

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So I get that. But they have the opportunity to kind of give us general feedback on that on that survey as well.

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And so I included some of the some of the quotes that were, that were provided to us there.

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And I will say, 100% of the people were like, this is very helpful and has had a positive impact.

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But folks said, you know, I like the drivers, they're kind and courteous. I feel they drive safely and I feel safe.

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And I should say too that, the - The survey goes to both the individual who's using the right as well as if they have an involved family member.

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So that person can also give feedback of kind of both the impact on them since we know that parents are often sort of the de facto transportation providers, but also what impact that they see maybe is affecting their family member.

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So having an independent form of safe, on-time transportation is so important. He is able to to be more independent with community choices new program.

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Thank you. I feel secure in knowing that the drivers are part of the community choices team and reflect the values and their interactions with riders.

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We're grateful for this wonderful service. My son feels more confident working with other people than his parents for transportation, and he looks forward to his rides.

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He feels confident and safe with his drivers. He has a good rapport with them, and it continues to boost his confidence or independence.

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And then amazing service, everyone is on time and very professional, always notified of drop off, easy to reserve a ride, love it.

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So we've been really encouraged with with all the the positive feedback and all, and I'll just say it's really nice to be able to just offer like a really simple helpful service right there's sort of there's not there's not a lot of strings attached we're not asking people to really push themselves in ways that are uncomfortable or scary.

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We're just trying to make the the other places that we're doing those things a little bit easier yeah, so that was that.

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And I can go on. We also had a staff recruitment thing, but I can take questions in the middle.

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Whatever you guys would like. There's not quite as much to say about this one. Oh, absolutely, yeah.

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Sorry. Are the rides for people in wheelchairs also? Yes. So right now our drivers are using their own personal vehicles.

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So we don't have an accessible vehicle right now, but if a person were to need that, we've looked at some other resources in town and what we would do is work with them to find that same ride and offer them the opportunity for us to come along if they didn't feel as comfortable with that.

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So that we know that that is a limitation of the program right now. We don't own any vehicles.

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The As I said, all the drivers are using their own personal vehicles, but as we kind of continue to see the need and have the program develop, I mean, I think that's definitely something we are thinking about.

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Just curious about since the drivers are using their personal vehicles. I'm I'm sure they have insurance.

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Is there extra insurance or liability that's associated with being a driver? Yeah, absolutely. No, that's a great question.

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And that was one of the things that we, it took longer to figure out than we thought it would as we were planning the program, just hearing from insurance companies is never like super easy.

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But we did, so we sort of require, just hearing from insurance companies is never like super easy. But we did, so we sort of require that all of our drivers have a certain level of insurance that obviously they need to let their insurance company know that they are providing that services part as part of their employment.

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And then we purchased an additional kind of like package on top of what our normal liability insurance is. So, great question.

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Yeah. Just a follow-up question not related to insurance, but when it's a medical appointment, let's say for getting vaccinated or seeing a counselor.

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That's a great question. That varies in actually figuring out all of the different sort of like what type of rides people were going to use and what's the easy way to help people kind of reserve those so we know like what - Everyone has clear expectations.

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Do they drop off and then come back and pick up or do they stay and wait? Yeah, does it vary?

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We decided that if the person is going to be there for 15 min or less, the driver would automatically wait and we just ask the person when they make the reservation like, you know, are you going to be there?

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We're happy to come back if it's longer than that if they're at like an hour-long therapy appointment, you know, if they're, you know, going to the mall and doing some shopping and they're going to be there for an hour, hour and a half.

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We would count that as 2 rides, but we're more than happy to set those up. Okay.

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Yeah. Just a quick question on the surveys. It says that you send them out monthly.

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How many? I know you said 100% of the respondents. Good feedback. How many people are actually responding?

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I don't - I don't mean like a real number, but like an approximation. Yeah, I think I think when I made this we had a total of 29 responses and some of those might have been repeat responses, I think we do tend to - like the people who respond to surveys respond to surveys, and the people who don't don't.

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But, the percentage, that's a great question. I mean, it's You know, on any given month it's been about between 15 and 20 people I think using rides and we've probably gotten you know between 5 and 10 back would be my guess, but I would have to check.

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Okay. Well, I'll keep going, and if you have other questions about this, I'm happy to answer those.

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So we also, obviously there's been lots of discussion about staff recruitment and retention. We did want to provide the opportunity for both like a sign-on bonus and a retention bonus for our staff.

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Assuming that they kind of stay in the field. And so that started also this past summer. So, here the program structures for full-time staff, they are eligible for, for full-time positions, a $500 sign on bonus upon completion of their ninety-day kind of training and probationary period and for the on the retention side of things, the staff are also offered a quarterly bonus of

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$500 if they've completed kind of a minimal level of professional development and are in good standing.

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So I can't have had a formalized warning for something. So, so far, we've given 29 bonuses, 4 sign-on bonuses and 25 retention bonuses

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Over the 2 quarters. And just to give you a sense of some of the professional development that people have participated in-

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Advancing access and equity for people with disabilities, unlocking
potential pathways for competitive employment, and how working impacts
benefits.

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We had a staff who's been working through the SOAR online disability
application system. Books - went to the, the IDD and mental health
conference that the ARC offered.

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Interpersonal communications and conflict resolution for autistic teens,
with website accessibility with Pixel, ableist language and disability
professionals, and voting rights in the disability community.

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And so we continue, you know, some of these, there's, there's so much
professional development that's available.

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Now I think particularly after COVID there's just lots of really great
opportunities, and so we try to all share those with each other when we
see ones that feel really applicable.

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And we also, you know, when there's conferences and things, you know, we
try to make sure our staff can attend those as well.

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There's a - Gotcha, I forget the name of it, but it's here, it's at the
Ihotel in the spring, I think early May, about competitive employment

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About employment that a number of my employment staff in specifically are
going to attend. So we did, you know, it's early to be able to say like,
yes, this is really effective for keeping, keeping staff.

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But I did go ahead and just kind of ask people who worked there, and I
made sure I was like, I don't want people to feel like they have to
answer.

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And so some of the things folks said were honestly very thoughtful. So in
the disability field, it's really easy to believe, huh.

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But I just gave them the opportunity if they have to answer. But I just
gave them the opportunity if they wanted to share some feedback about the
program.

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Sorry, I must have typed this wrong. It's really easy to leave. Saying
like, sorry, there's no money and when an organization goes out of its

way to make sure you're getting extra money, it definitely makes you hesitant to consider leaving.

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I enjoy the work I do and the people we work with, our work, as it has intrinsic worth, but we should also be financially compensated for the quality of the work we provide.

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The retention bonus to show that community choices and also the CCDDB values the work that we do.

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And then working in the DD field. It is well known that there's not a lot of money to go around acts like this let me know that I'm appreciated and valued.

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So here's some, you know, again, we don't have a huge staff, so there's not a ton of data.

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But just kind of looking at. So far, and and honestly a few people did this after I put the presentation together, so there are a few more responses.

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And I will say that I think the only difference was in the, if you were hired since July, did the sign-on bonus impact your choice?

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I think there was maybe one person who was like, I didn't realize it when I applied, but it was very nice, and helped me take the position.

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There was kind of that write-in answer. But obviously, a couple people were like, well, I wasn't really thinking of leaving anyway.

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But otherwise people have felt that it has been a really positive experience for their kind of. Yeah, work feelings.

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And so just basically in summary, you know, we're hopeful that this initial data would suggest that the bonuses will continue to have a positive impact on on our staff for recruitment and retention and just the staff culture overall.

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We have been really fortunate to have a really excellent, really experienced staff, and our intention is always to create create an environment where they feel supported and want to continue to provide those excellent supports into the future.

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And so I'm extremely appreciative to be able to offer this to my staff.
You know, it, you know, we're not.

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Able to pay them, you know, the amounts that some other fields are, and I
think we all know that, and that's okay but but I think feeling
appreciated in your role, it makes a really big difference.

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And so it's been nice to be able to have another tool to offer that to
folks.

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Alright. Yes. I know you've done it only for 2 quarters so far, but
potentially it provides.

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Up to $2,000 retention a year. Yes. Which I would think might be a
significant addition

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To salary. How do you benchmark the salaries? Are they comparable to what
other agencies com- comparable?

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Are they comparable to other agencies that serve people with ID, DD? Yes,
they are. And we've been kind of following the updates to the, sort of
the statewide updates to the waiver services and people who are just like
exclusively working within the waiver system.

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We've been following the recommendations from the Guidehouse study.
Obviously those are very quickly becoming somewhat out of date.

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It's amazing how quickly these things happen. But our intention has been
to sort of make sure that we are both increasing our starting salaries to
continue to be competitive while also trying to, we have done in the last
couple years some salary adjustments for some of our very long-term
staff.

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We have always tried to compensate our employees like on the higher end
in the field. And I think that is a big reason why we have been able to
hire and retain such experienced staff.

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It's it's unusual for us to hire somebody who is brand new. A lot of
people have many years of experience going into it.

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And so we do try to compensate them accordingly. But I, you know, I don't
know exactly how much everybody else is paying, so it's a little

difficult to say, but we are definitely trying to stay competitive and be really thoughtful about making sure people continue to feel like their their salaries are meeting the changes with of cost of living, which we all know are going

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up. So it's a follow-up question. I assume that this is in addition to whatever the and, increase would be to their salary.

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It truly is a bonus not not a way to increase the salary year to year. Yes, correct.

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Thank you. Glad it's helping. Yeah, you too. Any other questions?

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And if anything else comes up, you've got my email, and you're welcome to reach out.

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Thank you, Becca.

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Now I think we have another presentation that's coming from the Dual diagnosis program and person centered planning them- from the regional

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Regional Planning Commission.

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Okay, hi.

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Okay, so, the first thing we're talking about this morning is the dual diagnosis program, which I have Tierra here with me today, and she is our case manager for the dual diagnosis program.

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She currently has, well, when we did this 9 individuals receiving services. We've gotten a few more

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Referrals since then. So we're slowly climbing up in that program. At the time of creating the PowerPoint, she had 2 individuals receiving weekly services,

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6 individuals she was seen bi-weekly, and one individual that she was working to determine frequency with at her next appointment.

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She had one referral in process and 2 more referrals that we were waiting the personal plan completion on so she could begin

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Services with eligibility for this program. The individual must have an
intellectual disability developmental disability and a mental health
diagnosis, and we must have documentation of the diagnosis.

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They must be enrolled on PUNS, and they must be 18 years of age or older
and no longer receiving services through the school districts.

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So these are some of the things that the dual diagnosis case manager
works on with individuals that she's serving.

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So, increasing social, emotional skills. She's worked on developing
coping skills boxes,

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Planning layouts of stories to help decrease anxiety related to being out
in the community, and she's worked on learning and improving daily living
skills

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By creating weekly task lists, development of weekly cleaning lists,
working on cooking skills and kitchen safety,

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And on grocery shopping and meal planning, and then development of social
and communication skills

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Through games to facilitate conversations. Worksheets. And giving
assignments to talk to people while in the community.

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They've also used a conversation ball to help with this. Increasing
interpersonal skills. Doing this through working on developing healthy
relationships and friendships, conflict resolution, support systems, and
social network development,

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And then linkage for community resources. So she's helped people with
completing Medicaid and SNAP applications, LIHEAP applications,

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And some other referrals to RPC programs. And then referrals to local,
other local DD provider agencies.

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And connecting individuals with local transportation using their Medicaid
benefits.

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So here's some examples of some of the things that she's done. Here is one of the coping skills boxes that they've created.

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A weekly task list I know some of these are kind of small and I apologize. This was a before picture of an apartment and then this was after they worked on some of the organization skills.

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And then this is the conversation ball that they've been using. Oops, I went too far in my,

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And then some of the cooking that they've done.

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It's kind of a really quick run-through of some of the things that she's been doing so far for the dual diagnosis program.

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Do you guys have any questions about that?

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Yes. My question is how, where do your clients come from? How do you get your clients? Sure.

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So some of them have been referred to us through the person centered planning case managers that we have.

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We've also set out flyers to community choices and DSC so that they can make referrals.

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And I've also sent flyers out to anyone who, I know has been on PUNS.

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Of course, that's getting a little bit more difficult now that we're not managing the PUNS list, but we had it up until the end of June.

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So anyone who I know was on PUNS through June who would meet those requirements, you know, being over the age of 18.

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And having, you know, a dual diagnosis - I've sent flyers too so that they know about the program.

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So they could come from our person centered planning case managers, from one of the local providers, or from a family member

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Family member. I don't remember receiving anything like that. Did you send it directly to the clients or did you include the family?

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So it would have been, sent, it depends. It would have been sent out to if the individual retains their rights, it would have went to them if it was someone who had a guardian, it would have went to the Guardian.

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And it would only be people who were on the PUNS list, no one who was state funded. Okay, well, I think you may have missed a few people.

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Okay. I was really pleased to see that the program was available. It used to be available through Rosecrance, and they gave the grant back or withdrew from providing it.

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I have an adult son who participated. They were serving about 40 clients, and it was extremely helpful in crossing the divide between DD and mental health because it was often hard

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To get agencies to work with someone who was both. And they would say, we'll only work with

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One or the other. So I'm really happy about that, and I'm eager to hear more about the development of the program, what do you think your ultimate capacity might be and?

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Yeah, so we're looking at, you know, 15 to 20. Just depending on,

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You know the needs of the people being served at that time. Yeah, and so I apologize if If I miss someone.

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No, I mean, that's a fault finding. Yeah, no, no, I know. I was just going through like the folders that we had for people who were active on pencil, and we went when we had them.

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So yeah. And then, just another follow up question. You know, the services are multi faceted, social emotional, home skills, etc.

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Are you coordinating with some of the agencies that also provide those services? So if if a client comes to you and becomes involved in receiving these services through RPC,

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If they're also, again, I'm thinking through what I've done for my son
since Rosecrance withdrew several years ago.

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He gets independent living or community support, for example, from
community choices to do some of the very things that that you're doing.

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And so I'm just looking for coordination versus overlap and how are you
How are you identifying

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That? Yeah, so. We would look at the outcomes on the person centered
plan.

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And so we would, the person centered planning case manager would have the
outcomes on the person centered plan, and then that goes to Tierra as
well,

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So she can see what's also already being worked on. If someone is already
having their needs met with their current services,

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We wouldn't have a referral to her. So she would make sure that she's

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Working on something separate so it's not a duplication.

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Just I'm gonna speak for you, But, how many years ago? 2010? No, not that
long ago.

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No, it wasn't that long ago. Okay, so, so all of the DD contracts, well
almost all of the DD contracts, also require reporting on the individual
service claims level so Kim can see overlap,

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And, and she analyzes that each year, which will be coming in March. And
what you often see is the overlap is really brief.

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It's transition from one program to the other. And then if she asks the
agencies questions, and I'm still speaking for you, but typically they
know about it, and and there's been a an overlap on behalf of good care.

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So that's not every case, but we have the ability to look for that. I
mean it's - I don't know how to use that system, so this is 100% Kim.
Yeah, for the last few years that I've been pulling down all of the
claims data for each client, it's been less than 5 clients

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That have have any type of like maybe they're enrolled in DSC community employment and community choices community employment.

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It's been less than 5 every year, and I can always go through and see like oh they were closed from one agency in August and maybe open to the other one you know mid August so like there was just 2 weeks of you know one agency closing, one opening. It's never been anything where I'm like what is going on

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Here? And I haven't actually - I can tell by the claims - I've never even had to ask

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The agency what is happening.

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I was doing that using Excel spreadsheets. That was horrible, but I loved it. It was like a bottomless pit.

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But I asked, you know, and the answers were always like, they knew about each other, and there was great.

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Yeah, it was, and the whole idea of collecting that level of data started with board member questions that we could not answer.

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Right. And the agencies also could not answer. They didn't know who was getting served elsewhere. So I think it's been a great development, but it isn't easy to maintain.

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And I don't even know how to know. I'm very impressed that we've been able to do that.

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I remember being on the board. Another board - mental health - when we were asking those questions. So I'm in the habit of asking questions like that when there's a new program.

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The the other question I have is their independent service plan. So again, just thinking of my own history and not meaning to personalize this at all,

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But we developed an independent service plan with a person from RPC, and then Prairielands then took over.

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And our service plan is, you know, well over a year old, and I don't think I've had any follow up for quite a while.

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So how would you have a current service plan or would you have what RPC had? So what a new agency has.

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Yeah. So if you have a person centered plan through prairielands - Not yet. Oh, okay.

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I was gonna say if it's if you're working with Prairielands - We, so we wouldn't have the plans that Prairieland are doing

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Because if someone is getting a person centered plan through Prairieland, they're state funded, and so we wouldn't be able to work with them because we're only working with people who are county funded.

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But Prairieland takes over Champaign County for doing person-centered plans, right?

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For state funded people. They did last July first. So. So, so we're working, we, we are working with people who are on the PUNS list that have county funding, but they took over for people who who have state funding.

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Yeah, okay. I didn't recognize that there was a difference between the 2. So these are individuals on the PUNS list who aren't able to access,

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So if you're on a home-based service waiver. So if you're on a home based service waiver that's state funding.

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Home based services. That's a, that's a big deal. Yeah. Those families are really without much

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Access. Okay. Thank you.

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Thank you for this report. This is, can you just talk a, so first of all, I love the picture of the room

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Before and after when I was going through that I was like wow. This is like visually helpful to understand.

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And can you just talk about the conversation ball? Like, how do you use that? So a mom actually purchased that.

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She found it on Amazon and she's like, you think you can get her to use this because

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I can't. So while we're doing other things that she likes to bake. So we'll bake and then we'll play the game.

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So we just roll it back and forth and answer whatever questions are on the ball. Until her stuff is done and she usually participates. You know, there's something that she's going to gain from it.

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So that's how we do it, and I record her answers, and we talk about it afterwards.

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Thank you.

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Okay, so the next thing we want to talk about is the person centered planning program and just the results we've gotten so far, from starting the surveys surrounding

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Specifically the person centered plans. I know that was kind of an area of concern and so just kind of the information we've gathered so far.

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So, so far, we've completed 64 plans this fiscal year, and we've gotten 27 surveys back.

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So we will be following up with people just ask if they've sent one in yet and if not, we'll be supplying them with a new

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Survey to ask that you know they send one in. We've gotten 5, I'm able to tell, you know, I've.

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On the surveys, I asked, you know, who the case manager is. So we know that 5 have been completed with people who work with Angelina, who is one of our case managers.

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10 with Christine and 12 with Mary. So, so far, the first question is, do you feel that your person centered plan reflects what was discussed during your discovery process.

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So far, 100% of respondents have answered this question. Just say meaning
that no one skipped it.

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We've had a hundred percent of people say yes their options are yes no or
somewhat so so far everyone has said yes to this.

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Do you feel that your RPC case manager heard your wishes / desires

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And accurately developed outcomes based off of your preferences? Again,
we had a hundred percent respondents answer this question, and so far a
hundred percent have said yes.

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Are you satisfied with your person centered plan developed by your case
manager? 26 out of 27 respondents answered this question.

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We had one person skip the question and not providing any answer. Of the
26 that answered, all of them said yes that they felt satisfied with
their plan.

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So, what did you enjoy most about this process? So this is an open-ended
area where they can write in information.

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We did have 11 people skip this and provide no response. Some of the
other responses including including having a friendly person to talk to.

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Spending time with Christine, enjoyed our conversation. She was
interested in what I had to say. We can talk with each other anytime.

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Communicate - communicating well. Thinking about new possibilities.
Communication. I enjoyed our meeting about my life and family.

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And then the last question was, how could this process be improved? We
had 15 people skip or provide no answer to this.

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One person said, I don't know, and another said, not sure. 3 people said
nothing.

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And then we had some of the other responses said, keep Christine. Someone
said, I think it is a good job.

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Someone else said it is going well. We have someone say updating forms and questions. We get someone say keep on working at it and communicating with me.

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And then we have someone say I want my life moving forward. Someone else said make smaller, less questions.

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We agree with that too. At times with this, discovery is a little lengthy. And then someone else said too many big words on the assessments.

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And you know, I think, you know, we do agree. It's the discovery that we're using in the plan is one developed by the state, and there are a lot of questions on it.

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Many of them are kind of more geared towards people who are in the waiver, and many of them are pertained to people maybe living in a CILA, so they're asking about roommates.

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Those questions can be good for someone who - You know when people are waiting on the PUNS, it may enter into in the future, it's good for gathering preferences, but it may not pertain to them currently.

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So.

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So moving forward, I know our plan is to continue to collect feedback from individuals receiving person centered plans with the goal of hopefully getting 100% feedback, which probably is not going to happen, but we would like to get that from everybody and then use the results of the surveys as a roadmap for a person centered planning process in the future.

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And then just opening it up for questions about that.

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Yes. If one more question now that I think I understand better the parameters of the program. You really are providing the services while people have been approved to be on the PUNS list, but are in that 5 to seven-year waiting period

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To get onto a CILA or home based waiver. Yes. Fabulous because we were just left hanging for those 7 years.

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That's wonderful. And then you work when they do receive that waiver to transition them to their personal support workers or to other services or or is it too soon to say?

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So yeah, so we'll work with people. They have to be receiving some sort of service that is county funded.

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And that's how they then get linked up with a person centered planning case manager. And then.

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This year, it was kind of new with us not managing the PUNS. And so the people who were PUNS selected, I had initially

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Closed because I didn't want potential overlap between us and Prairieland, of discovery processes and then the moving into funding.

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I now realized that that was very premature because it's taken longer for people to get into funding.

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So, you know, what I'm wanting to do and what we will do moving forward is hoping just for really good communication so that we can continue to serve people

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Up until they get their award letter so that there's no gap in services for people. So they have a case manager working with them up until, you know, they get an ISC through Prairielands.

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So. I think if that's gonna be, I mean, that's the dthically correct thing to do, but I think we need to apply serious heat if those are taking too long, because that is the state wasting local money.

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And they and the systems don't do that with - in ignorance. They do it on purpose so So not this is not your problem.

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I think this is our problem. If we understand that it's taking too long to get people who have been selected from PUNS into a service plan and funded, then we need to do some pressure.

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Not your problem, but you can help us keep track of that. And I know DSC and community choices and PACE can also tell us.

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A really serious issue. So thank you for thank you for not dropping
people because that's also serious.

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Yeah, yeah. Well, I mean, like I said, I know this year I, I did because
I was concerned about potentially

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You know, a duplication and didn't want like to be serving people and
than beyond the waiver, but you know I don't want to do that again so I
want to make sure we're continuing to work with people until they do have
their awards.

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So. Just let me know. I'll go after it.

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Any other questions?

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Okay. Thank you so much. Thank you.

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Well. I think we're through with our presentations. And it's time to look
at the applications for funding.

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Which are on page 86 through 91.

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Well, so it just, to kind of go quickly through a couple of these things
because this is the work that's in front of us.

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We learned, we learned a couple things this year. We start, we gave 7
weeks for applications instead of 5.

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And really I don't think that made much of a difference for agency
applicants, it made a big difference for me, but

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That is not enough to push us too fast next year. So we worked really
fast to get things approved

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During November so that we could launch the application system a couple
weeks early. The. I can take care of what happens to me in a different
way.

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It has to do with always opening the application system on an actual
holiday. It's like it doesn't work out very well.

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Last year I was in, I was at the funeral home trying to make arrangements
for my dad and dealing with the funeral home trying to make arrangements
for my dad and dealing with problems with opening the system for my dad
and dealing with problems with opening arrangements for my dad and
dealing with problems with opening the system for 9 h.

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So I don't think that was super helpful to the agencies. We did another
thing differently this year that was seemed to be really helpful which
was to have them do on a Monday instead of a Friday, and almost everyone
got their stuff done early like early, and some quite early.

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So that I think that's a success that we might repeat, you know, maybe
people would get used to a Monday deadline and then wait until that
Monday to do all their work

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Eventually, but this year it was great so maybe next year too. We also
had - there were a couple of snafus they didn't affect everyone,

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But they would affect one applicant here and another here. So we have
already asked for changes in the online system to prevent those glitches
from happening again.

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Every time we change something in the system it has you know, it affects
something else in the system. So we make these requests very carefully,
but we've already.

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We already asked for them. Hopefully that will make the agency user
experience better next year. We have some other feedback from agencies
that is a little harder to act on that we will need to revisit during the
year, but right in front of us now is the review of applications. So
there are 2 spreadsheets in your packet, and they're a little bit
redundant.

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We put - there's only one application submitted literally to the IDD
Special Initiatives Fund. And other things could be funded there, but it
was under one of the identified priority categories, which is short-term
support for people with IDD, the Regional Planning Commission

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Submitted an application for community life short-term assistance.
Otherwise, the things that are currently funded under that fund do not
need to be, and they were, they are applied for

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On the DDB fund, which is perfectly appropriate. So that's why the
spreadsheet's a little bit complicated. Then there are at the very

bottom, there are 3 programs funded by the Mental Health Board that have to do with developmental disabilities that's part of their obligation

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To - under statute. And we are, we have a little work to do with figuring out

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The proportions of one of those. So it's very early in the season for this, but I have sent

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The PDFs of applications to all to look at, and I have some questions for you. Ready?

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First question, and this is something Kim Bowdry and I are already working on, is how do you, how would you like the information presented at the next meeting, and then it can be different at each meeting.

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Like for example, next meeting you could have this spreadsheet and then with the percentage change. Which Kim has already figured out, if that's useful.

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And then we could also put reviewers on there. If you choose to do the process that way. And so anyway, so you like percentage.

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You can also just let us know if there's something you like. There is only one new application that we know of, and that is the community services

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Or community life short-term assistance from the regional planning commission. So. I want to I, I think so.

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Do you think so, Kim? So we'll also flag that as new, cause that's helpful.

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And then sort of sideways here is a memo. This is sort of the reviewing the -process the process that you've used in recent years but also raising, here's the timeline for what we'd like to do.

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It's not written in stone. It is written, but we can make changes to the process.

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I think given that you have a smaller number of applications to review, and that the agencies are almost always here at your board meetings,

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If you wanted to ask them questions about the applications, I don't see
any reason not to do it whenever you like.

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If they can't answer, we can get their responses and provide them to you
in the next board packet or before.

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So, I mean, that just might make the process more smooth next year.
Anyway. I have a simple question.

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What happened to CU Autism network?

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Yeah, they have - so last year they applied for the first time in a maybe
one year. And they had an executive director who was like kind of a
professional grant writer and really into this, and he resigned maybe
July the first.

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So the first day of the contract, he resigned, leaving them with, they
had to sort of shuffle the roles around, make some board members paid
staff instead of board members, and then find somebody else with that
kind of reporting and grant writing experience, but she has a full-time
job,

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So I think since the very beginning of this contract year, they've been
quite overwhelmed with these requirements.

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So I don't know if they intentionally did not apply or missed the
deadline because it's been very difficult for them to pay attention to
this business.

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But it is, they also haven't really, they've. I think we don't even have
first quarter reports from them.

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So they're in a they're in a little bit of a limbo. And do we actually
have 20

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Grant requests to look at?

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Is that right? We just counted them this morning is there's 16 to the DDB
right then one to IDDSI, which I'm sorry, acronyms are gross, so that's
17 and then 2.

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The 2 mental health board applications which are early childhood and therefore a mix of behavioral and developmental supports.

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So we, so those are hopefully you'll be interested in reviewing those as well because we can kind of figure out the portion of those which is DD.

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We already did it with one. The other one is a little harder. We need to talk to the agency.

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So.

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Cool. So one thing that would be helpful, and I don't need it today, of course, but as we move along

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Is understanding the available funding for FY25 versus what the requests are because right now I can't tell if we have more requests than we have funding.

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I can't tell you that - we don't know how much money you'll get in 2025 until probably November, so I'm gonna just give you guesses.

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And that's what I want. Yes guesses. I know that you don't really know what the county property taxes are right until they're paid.

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It's a lower increase than in the last several years. But I, we can talk about that offline.

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Is there? If you can't afford everything, then that's a basis for making decisions. But the other basis for making decisions is do you want to purchase

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What's requested? So it always makes a difference if you know that there's a million dollar difference

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Versus not. Because that is hard to to raise a million dollars even if we want to purchase all the services.

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So just having some kind of guidelines. I understand. I mean, I can't, there's no precision.

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I can't, I will give you an initial budget in June, which is after the time that you have to make these decisions,

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So it's going to be really guessing until then, but I can. I've already worked on it because thanks to Chris' staff report I had year end -

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Really close to year end. There might be a few extra things so I've already done some work on it and I can

01:28:23.127 --> 01:28:39.127
Talk to you all about that, but I'm not confident of the numbers, and I'd hate to say something in public that binds you in a right So, you know, I haven't been on the DD Board yet for funding cycle.

01:28:34.259 --> 01:29:04.259
I was on the MHB Board through 8 funding cycles. I don't know what the differences are between how the reviews are done for the DD Board versus how they were done for the Mental Health Board and then I do remember that sometimes we would approve things pending availability of funds so that we always had that.

01:29:04.763 --> 01:29:19.763
Caveat. So are there it looks like, you know, the Program Year 24 total is 5million 502.

01:29:20.702 --> 01:29:29.702
And what we're looking at for Program Year 25 is 6million 092. So.

01:29:29.966 --> 01:29:42.966
500,000 more than. That's what I thought. Than we're able to give this year, and Program Year, and we don't know if we'll have that or not.

01:29:42.403 --> 01:29:53.403
Best guess estimate. Okay. Hmm. Yeah.

01:29:53.878 --> 01:30:00.878
Taking in. Oh.

01:29:54.465 --> 01:29:58.465
Yes. You heard.

01:29:57.326 --> 01:30:09.326
I can say that. Every contract has language in it about the adequacy of the fund. That's been true for years and years.

01:30:08.840 --> 01:30:18.840
So, unfortunately that that happened in one of the first years that I was working for these boards, and we had to make reductions.

01:30:10.787 --> 01:30:29.787

Especially in the DD contracts, and it was really painful, awful. And we
started by asking the agencies what can you do without, so we really kind
of shifted the pain to them.

01:30:29.167 --> 01:30:37.167
I don't know if that's the right thing to do either. So I can definitely
work on this and

01:30:38.405 --> 01:30:45.405
Keep you posted, but I don't want to create a situation right now that
puts you in a bad position for the rest of the season.

01:30:47.658 --> 01:31:01.658
Okay, this is just a point of information. The bottom of the page of the
first, the longer one, the priority young children, their families, CCMHB
focus.

01:30:59.779 --> 01:31:09.779
It says amounts listed are for DD portion only. So does that mean that
the mental health board has their own portion?

01:31:06.791 --> 01:31:19.791
So this amount, for example, family development. DSC 656,000. That's the
DD portion.

01:31:17.715 --> 01:31:25.715
That one is 100% DD. So that one. Okay, happily is really easy for.

01:31:23.055 --> 01:31:35.055
100%. But the other 2 have a mix of services and yeah, okay. But the
other 2 have a mix of services and, we're very confident with the
calculation

01:31:34.404 --> 01:31:49.404
For CU Early. That it's about, cause it's about 20% of their total
population, are kids going into early intervention.

01:31:44.241 --> 01:31:53.241
So that's the that's the DD or risk of DD group. We've got to talk to
Head Start because I don't think this is the right-

01:31:54.006 --> 01:32:01.006
I don't think this is right at all. But it's - Head Start has been
dealing with a changing population, so they can tell us.

01:32:03.510 --> 01:32:06.510
Other point of information.

01:32:06.077 --> 01:32:16.077
Some things look like they're italicized or different font. And that
relates to what?

01:32:14.331 --> 01:32:23.331
What does that mean? Means I'm not sure yet. I wasn't sure. Okay.

01:32:21.203 --> 01:32:30.203
Yeah, and what does request to all 3 funds plus multi-year meet? Oh, the
- and those are italicized just to make them stand out a little bit.

01:32:30.011 --> 01:32:40.011
Requests to all 3 funds means the total DD related requests to the DDB,
Mental health board, and the IDD Special Initiatives Fund.

01:32:39.894 --> 01:32:48.894
That's the total total amount of funding of all 3 funds that relates to
DD. And it's

01:32:50.579 --> 01:32:54.579
And an estimate because of that uncertainty I have about Head Start.

01:33:02.709 --> 01:33:16.709
How do we review the grants? Is it similar to what was done with mental
health? Where we assign reviewers, but everyone's expected to have at
least perused the proposals or do we read all of them and discuss them in
group?

01:33:14.829 --> 01:33:21.829
I'm just wondering about the process that I can prepare for.

01:33:24.105 --> 01:33:31.105
I think that's for you all to decide and and let us know what we should
do to support whatever process is going to work best.

01:33:31.428 --> 01:33:43.428
Georgiana. Excuse me. Are you calling on people or? Okay, I didn't want
to step in.

01:33:43.237 --> 01:34:07.237
As the past president, I can say what we've done in the past, and Vicki
may have ideas what she wants to do, but I think the process that I think
you and Lynn developed for the mental health board too'll make it
possible to review the number of requests, in the amount of time that we
have has worked very well.

01:34:00.733 --> 01:34:16.733
And so I would propose that we do it a similar type of model where each
person is assigned a certain number of programs.

01:34:16.803 --> 01:34:30.803
To be the primary reviewer, and then other programs to be the secondary
reviewer, and the primary and the secondary reviewer usually talk to each
other which is legal to do with just 2 people,

01:34:31.005 --> 01:34:40.005
Kind of come to an agreement. Consensus as to what they want to do and
then at the meeting, the primary reviewer reviews

01:34:40.074 --> 01:34:49.074

Briefly what they have figured out on the program, and the secondary
reviewer is there to back them up.

01:34:48.590 --> 01:34:57.590
Or the secondary reviewer does it if the primary viewer is not there. And
then the board can ask

01:34:55.537 --> 01:35:01.537
And the board can ask questions, but it's streamlines the process. So
that's what we've done

01:34:58.555 --> 01:35:07.555
The last few years and I feel like it's worked really well. Vicki, do you
have

01:35:08.822 --> 01:35:10.822
Comments about that?

01:35:09.322 --> 01:35:16.322
I think that's a perfect approach. It really worked well last year.

01:35:18.684 --> 01:35:25.684
Do you all want to be randomly assigned or do you wanna let us know what
you're interested in and we sort it out?

01:35:29.386 --> 01:35:31.386
I'm Okay.

01:35:29.786 --> 01:35:41.786
Will that make it a little bit more complicated for you, Lynn? But I'd
say we we can let you know our preferences and you can sort them out in
there.

01:35:42.822 --> 01:35:45.822
That's really not that. That would be fine.

01:35:45.579 --> 01:35:47.579
Okay.

01:35:53.668 --> 01:36:03.668
Georgiana, can I can I ask a question? So can we get that percent
difference in the chart?

01:35:57.989 --> 01:36:07.989
Is it already? It's done already. It's just not, it was not included in
this one, but yes, I can.

01:36:08.167 --> 01:36:14.167
I can send that out when I get internet. I'm not allowed in here for some
reason, but yes.

01:36:13.119 --> 01:36:21.119
For like before then so for the next meeting we would get that
information as well as our assignment so then we can

01:36:21.358 --> 01:36:30.358
We can we can absolutely do that if that's the what you'd like to see we can do that, and then we could do something different the next month if you want.

01:36:30.674 --> 01:36:38.674
It's just we couldn't do very much this time because the applications were due at 4 30 PM.

01:36:37.292 --> 01:36:44.292
Monday, February the twelfth - this board packet was due at 8 am Monday February twelfth.

01:36:44.054 --> 01:36:52.054
So it was a little bit of like I did some time travel, I got people to work late. You did an amazing job.

01:36:51.620 --> 01:36:58.620
We're not expecting to have our assignments yet or all of the detailed information.

01:37:00.388 --> 01:37:08.388
Can I just say another clarifying question? So then in April we'd also get the staff like summaries of

01:37:07.215 --> 01:37:20.215
Is that the schedule? That's the schedule, but that's another question if you would like them to look different than they have in the past, let us know because I've already liked started bothering everybody

01:37:21.589 --> 01:37:27.589
For those, and if they shouldn't be the traditional format we can change it.

01:37:27.592 --> 01:37:36.592
I have no problem with what's been done before - it's been very useful. So. Whatever the staff wants to do is fine with me.

01:37:37.967 --> 01:37:39.967
I'm in agreement.

01:37:48.534 --> 01:37:57.534
We're ready to move on. We have another item that needs our action. And that is the

01:37:56.605 --> 01:38:09.605
Revised travel policy on pages 92 to 104, and I don't know if anybody has any comments on it.

01:38:08.680 --> 01:38:16.680
I've read through it, and I do not have any comments on it. But if anybody does, this would be a good

01:38:15.856 --> 01:38:23.856
Good time. Do we do a motion before before we discuss? Yes.

01:38:24.485 --> 01:38:33.485
Okay, I have a motion to approve the attached revised travel and business
expense policy for Champaign County Mental Health Board and Champaign
County Developmental Disabilities Board.

01:38:34.804 --> 01:38:37.804
This is Vicki. I will second that motion.

01:38:42.564 --> 01:38:48.564
So it has been moved and seconded. Is there any discussion on this travel
policy?

01:38:49.139 --> 01:38:57.139
That sounds like we're just gonna go right ahead and approve it. So all
in favor say aye.

01:38:56.961 --> 01:38:57.961
Aye.

01:38:57.518 --> 01:38:59.518
Okay.

01:38:59.828 --> 01:39:05.828
And opposed? Okay, the travel policy is approved by the board.

01:39:10.705 --> 01:39:20.705
I appreciate that. We had to update that because of so many changes in
the county's policies and the county's policies and the county's
accounting practice.

01:39:19.640 --> 01:39:28.640
And IRS standard. So it was - even though that was from 2018 or 19, it
was

01:39:30.012 --> 01:39:33.012
Pretty out of date. So I really appreciate you acting on that. Thank you.

01:39:37.710 --> 01:39:50.710
Now we have an evaluation capacity building project. Representatives from
the family resilience center will be, are present

01:39:51.220 --> 01:39:58.220
On Zoom. So We're not taking any action. This is for information only.

01:39:58.718 --> 01:40:13.718
Just a quick update. Hi, I'm Stephanie. We are continuing to work with, a
couple agencies to give them technical assistance, and we're just moving
that process forward, getting meetings in person happening.

01:40:08.216 --> 01:40:17.216
So I don't have a lot to report, but it's going well.

01:40:18.964 --> 01:40:20.964
That's where we are.

01:40:19.789 --> 01:40:24.789
Thank you. Does anyone have any questions of Stephanie?

01:40:30.029 --> 01:40:33.029
I guess we're just gonna move on. Thank you, Stephanie.

01:40:32.422 --> 01:40:42.422
We have an expo update next year or this year's expo has a date.

01:40:33.231 --> 01:40:35.231
Sure, thanks.

01:40:41.592 --> 01:40:50.592
And if you want to refer to page 105 in our booklets. The date is October

01:40:49.687 --> 01:41:00.687
The 26th of 2024 for the disability Resource expo. It is again at
Marketplace Mall.

01:41:05.401 --> 01:41:16.401
And I don't know what else to say about that except that I think that it
was handled so well this last year that I'm hoping that it will be
handled by the same people again this year.

01:41:17.478 --> 01:41:39.478
And Chris has provided an updated update on last year's event costs.
Cause the expo is kind of - Bills come in really late with the expo and
also revenues come in late, so there might even be another update to the
update of last year's costs, but thank you for doing that Chris.

01:41:43.159 --> 01:41:51.159
We have anything to say about that expo, so we move on maybe we will just
move on.

01:41:50.847 --> 01:42:01.847
Okay. Our next section to look at are the Program Year second quarter IDD
program.

01:41:57.704 --> 01:42:09.704
Service reports, which I have looked at, and I don't really have any
comments, but if anyone does,

01:42:10.772 --> 01:42:12.772
This would be a good time.

01:42:14.374 --> 01:42:16.374
Susan.

01:42:15.633 --> 01:42:29.633

I had questions that I don't expect to answer them today and today's meetings. So and I did email Lynn because I was getting confused and putting question marks in a lot of places.

01:42:28.189 --> 01:42:38.189
The data reports only the second quarter data. When it says quarterly data, there's the annual target,

01:42:37.787 --> 01:42:50.787
Quarterly data and then continuing from last year. 3 columns or 3, 3 rows, sorry, in the report.

01:42:48.975 --> 01:43:02.975
And it's just, it's hard for me to have a sense of how much progress is being made with new clients

01:43:02.287 --> 01:43:20.287
Based on anticipated clients. So if the annual target is 5, and we have 2, I mean that could be, that could suggest I'm looking at CU Early period.

01:43:20.118 --> 01:43:29.118
On page. Sorry, I just opened it to page a hundred eleventh. It could suggest that in the second quarter.

01:43:28.169 --> 01:43:40.169
You know, 40% of the anticipated clients were seen. I don't know how many were seen in the first quarter, and if there, if we're likely to see more than

01:43:39.371 --> 01:43:51.371
The projected 5. And maybe I don't need to know that. It's just the, you know, if they've, if they've underestimated or overestimated.

01:43:50.333 --> 01:44:02.333
Do we need to be at all concerned? Well, I appreciate your question because I thought if Kim Bowdry was here she could answer off the top of her head but it turns out she would need the internet,

01:44:01.532 --> 01:44:13.532
And she doesn't have it but I do. And looks like the formulas are broken, but I can show you how Kim and Leon track everything.

01:44:13.217 --> 01:44:21.217
And it just, I do trust the staff to track. I was just, as a reader, I can't make some

01:44:20.262 --> 01:44:31.262
The information is not available to you. Yeah. And and you could maybe piece it together if you had the board packet with the first quarter puts and the site but don't want to do that.

01:44:29.702 --> 01:44:39.702

Yeah like that's a lot of extra, but we do track it and will end up in
those staff program summaries

01:44:31.765 --> 01:44:45.765
For each application, you'll be able to see where everybody was at at
the. At the end of the year.

01:44:45.397 --> 01:44:51.397
Order. No, not at the end of the year because we won't be at that. Right.

01:44:47.401 --> 01:44:56.401
All we'll have is the first 2 quarters. So this is how they do it. This
is CU Early, the one you were interested in.

01:44:51.452 --> 01:45:03.452
It looks like, and this chart looks a little different from the quarterly
report. It's up on the on the screen.

01:45:03.017 --> 01:45:11.017
So. It's organized a little differently than the quarterly report, which
makes it really confusing when we're trying to enter data.

01:45:07.353 --> 01:45:18.353
So it looks like for CU Early, there are no continuing clients at the
beginning of the year. No one continued from

01:45:18.299 --> 01:45:29.299
Last year to this year, but there were 23 new clients in the first
quarter, and then there are 2 new clients in the second quarter.

01:45:27.303 --> 01:45:35.303
So they're at 25 and their target was 23. So they are over the target for
the whole year

01:45:34.989 --> 01:45:44.989
For treatment plan clients, which are the more high intensity. They do
have 2 non-treatment plan clients in the second quarter.

01:45:38.931 --> 01:45:51.931
Are those kids referred to EI? Yeah, so those are the kids with the
developmental issues. So I can't

01:45:51.158 --> 01:46:04.158
Get that information that you have here really from this. And so I'm just
wondering if it's useful to have this information if I can't really see
it.

01:46:00.810 --> 01:46:14.810
Well, we, initial paper. It is a lot of paper, but what we thought was
really rich for y'all was the comments and some of them don't have in,
some of them don't include comments, but I mean, you know, you're right.

01:46:12.800 --> 01:46:21.800

And that is an issue that has come up before with the way we - What we're asking for in those quarterly reports.

01:46:21.751 --> 01:46:31.751
But it's not really that, maybe that's not what people want to know. It doesn't show you volume of service during the quarter at all.

01:46:28.691 --> 01:46:33.691
I don't know if I even really want to know that. I just was trying to figure out

01:46:32.314 --> 01:46:43.314
How do I deal with this information and how does it help you be a better board member? And I couldn't, I, you know, certainly the the comments.

01:46:42.825 --> 01:46:51.825
Give me some really interesting information, but the numbers. I just can't use. So I'm

01:46:51.584 --> 01:46:59.584
Just pointing it out since I'm new and that was my reaction to the 20 or so pages. Yeah.

01:46:58.076 --> 01:47:08.076
Not as a criticism, but as a comment. But it's an area for potential improvement.

01:47:06.603 --> 01:47:18.603
I think that one thing that is, that I sort of take for granted on the DD set of agencies is that these are often long-term services for people already known to the system, who

01:47:13.412 --> 01:47:25.412
Continue year after year. So when we get in these early childhood programs, it's a totally different thing.

01:47:18.407 --> 01:47:40.407
So the way we're asking may not be very useful, but she did she did put some cool comments in there so there's that at least yeah, but thank you for raising the issue and and like I told you the other day, Kim Bowdry does know a lot of stuff off the top of her head.

01:47:38.342 --> 01:47:45.342
She really does. She doesn't think so, but. It's a lot of paper though.

01:47:46.281 --> 01:47:47.281
It really is.

01:47:50.096 --> 01:47:52.096
Thank you.

01:47:56.470 --> 01:47:58.470
Anything? No.

01:48:00.849 --> 01:48:09.849
Anything else that we ought to be talking about? We have claims data, we
have fourth quarter 2024 reports.

01:48:18.230 --> 01:48:20.230
211 reports.

01:48:21.921 --> 01:48:25.921
Here's the the claims data that you mentioned. I'll move to the next one.

01:48:29.181 --> 01:48:38.181
So the 2 11. The 2 1 1 report looks really different this time because
they have a different director.

01:48:37.702 --> 01:48:51.702
And they're re-evaluating. I don't know if you all remember this, like
this company has been also tasked by the state to do the 9 8 8 crisis
line,

01:48:50.340 --> 01:49:11.340
And so there They've been dealing with staffing woes from, since last
year. So this report used to be really, really pretty, and I think she
decided - the new director decided not to spend time on it, but it's a
little bit harder to read because some of the data goes

01:49:11.214 --> 01:49:18.214
To the next page, but this is how it was shared with us, and they say
it'll look nicer next time.

01:49:18.344 --> 01:49:19.344
So.

01:49:24.044 --> 01:49:37.044
So is this. Lynn, if I'm reading this right on page 143. In the first
box, we have October, November, and December.

01:49:36.756 --> 01:49:41.756
Is that the number of calls received in, in those months?

01:49:49.006 --> 01:49:57.006
Yes, but I can't it's very hard to read isn't it? well and then what's
the next box the 6 6 and 5

01:50:01.811 --> 01:50:03.811
And then language.

01:50:08.670 --> 01:50:10.670
Is it chat?

01:50:13.359 --> 01:50:16.359
Spanish isn't

01:50:17.808 --> 01:50:19.808
French is not there.

01:50:22.868 --> 01:50:28.868
Oh, that's the next. Yeah, yeah, sorry, that's the next. That's this page.

01:50:38.363 --> 01:50:42.363
I don't know what to do with it. I don't know what to do with it.

01:50:42.371 --> 01:50:48.371
I mean, it sounds like they're very, very busy. Yes. Yeah, that is true.

01:50:54.097 --> 01:50:59.097
I guess I had one question. And that is on page

01:51:02.588 --> 01:51:04.588
If I can find it.

01:51:06.093 --> 01:51:08.093
On page

01:51:09.163 --> 01:51:17.163
I thought it was one. Here it is, page 154. There's insert inserted box with data.

01:51:16.933 --> 01:51:28.933
Salvation Army, Champaign County, empty tomb, etc. With those referrals to those agencies, the number of referrals made to those agencies.

01:51:27.260 --> 01:51:38.260
Thank you. Okay, so for instance, there are 262 referrals that looks like to the Salvation Army.

01:51:39.569 --> 01:51:45.569
225 to Champaign County. The. In the process of taking the calls,

01:51:46.756 --> 01:51:54.756
Are these the agencies to which the callers were referred based on the questions that they asked?

01:51:54.755 --> 01:52:01.755
That's what I assume from the, from the title, but I don't, I could be reading it wrong.

01:51:56.650 --> 01:52:11.650
Well, you know, I thought it was really helpful to have the kinds of questions that were asked. On the prior page, 153 to know the range of issues that families are facing or

01:52:10.953 --> 01:52:22.953
Users are facing, but then I just needed maybe a little bit more context for understanding. What what the next set of bars was.

01:52:23.217 --> 01:52:32.217

Right. And I'm not complaining. It's just. Oh, no, that's I think and also like interesting Champaign County is the regional planning commission.

01:52:30.815 --> 01:52:42.815
Okay Yeah, cause it like the way it's presented, you could take that for any Champaign County unit, and we know it's RPC.

01:52:43.320 --> 01:52:55.320
No, I believe that you read it right that this is where the calls were referred. And this is KIND of Historical data from 2 1 1.

01:52:52.375 --> 01:52:59.375
It's almost it's housing and and homeless services. That's really the resource that people are calling for

01:52:58.684 --> 01:53:06.684
More than anything else. So do we need this level of data as a board? I mean, it clearly they're busy.

01:53:06.811 --> 01:53:13.811
Yeah. You just get it cause you're paying for it. But it's a lot of paper

01:53:19.937 --> 01:53:21.937
No.

01:53:21.937 --> 01:53:31.937
Now we have what we call successes and other agency information. And this is a time when individual agencies can

01:53:31.511 --> 01:53:41.511
Tell us about successes if they would like to. I see someone coming up to the roster. Good morning, Sarah

01:53:38.206 --> 01:53:45.206
Perry, Director of Residential Services at DSC. I'll make this very brief.

01:53:41.893 --> 01:53:58.893
Our community living program offers a monthly community experience that they help facilitate individuals to be a part of. And on February the eighth they went to the Soul to Soul experience at the Vineyard.

01:53:58.773 --> 01:54:09.773
In you know appreciation of black history month, and it was a really amazing opportunity - they had 6 individuals participate with 4 staff.

01:54:09.331 --> 01:54:16.331
And they had an authentic soul food dinner which was served at 6 PM followed by some kind of guided fellowship.

01:54:15.469 --> 01:54:25.469

So there was lots of questions that were offered at the table and gave
the participants an opportunity to share what they do in their own
culture.

01:54:24.713 --> 01:54:33.713
We had a gentleman that is very shy and introverted, and he really opened
up and was comfortable about talking about his family experiences.

01:54:33.346 --> 01:54:45.346
And then it followed with gospel music and some worshiping, and there
were several individuals that really enjoyed that experience.

01:54:42.990 --> 01:54:56.990
So it was kind of a unique atmosphere to see some of our participants
really open up and enjoy that. We also had 4 local and then 2 came down
from Rantoul to participate.

01:54:57.854 --> 01:54:59.854
So that's it.

01:55:01.053 --> 01:55:03.053
Thank you.

01:55:04.111 --> 01:55:10.111
Is there anyone else who would like to? Present something. Oh, someone's
coming.

01:55:11.505 --> 01:55:23.505
This is Bill from PACE. I would like to report that, we've had, 4
successful PSW matches.

01:55:22.499 --> 01:55:34.499
And we've also been real active in recruiting personal support workers.
And we have another 4 new personal support workers

01:55:34.126 --> 01:55:45.126
In the last couple of weeks. We attended library jobs fair last night.
Okay, got a lot of interested individuals.

01:55:43.378 --> 01:55:55.378
Some of which are CNA students in our - and that were really interested
in working with the personal support worker program.

01:55:56.480 --> 01:56:11.480
So, Paula, my supervisor at PACE. She wanted wanted to report this, but
she's right now she's in a noisy office and she wanted me to report that
to you.

01:56:21.154 --> 01:56:26.154
Thank you. Thank you. Thank you, PACE. Tell me your name again.

01:56:22.037 --> 01:56:23.037
Thank you.

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My name is Bill. I'm an independent living specialist at base and Paula
Vanier is the

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Okay.

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The personal support worker coordinator for the program.

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Thank you very much. Alright.

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Thank you.

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And we are going back in person and for all occasion.

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And we are going to do some in - on soon for all occasion. So hopefully
we can make a PS

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Thank you. Thank you very much.

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And now we have another person here. Good morning. Patty Walters from
DSC. I just have a couple of fun and informational shares.

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Yesterday I just have a couple of fun and informational shares. Yesterday
was able to secure a date of May.

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So, maybe there'll be some good big wins or something that night that
would be fun. So I'll have more information next month for that.

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I wanted to speak a second just on family development. You guys don't
hear a lot about that program.

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It's funded by the mental health board through DD funded commitment. And
I just wanted to share that there are a couple of different developmental
play groups that are happening that we're really proud of and some
collaborations in the community.

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There are, as everybody knows, a significant shortage in therapists in our community. And in order to kind of try to fill that gap, there are some

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Efforts to hold these playgroups to kind of arm families with some things that they can do at home and connect families to each other.

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So right now there's an OT developmental play group that's happening at Salt and Light.

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I think it's every week, and then there's a PLAY project collaboration with TAP, the autism program, that has been very well received in the past that has just recently restarted.

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So in the absence of some of that one on one support that the babies and infants and parents get, this seems to be kind of an effort to really kind of fill that gap until services become available to those folks.

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And you know, those are the - those are the things that you guys are funding. So just wanted to share that and then the last one is fun.

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I think we reported last year that we had we have groups that are anime and comic interests and stuff, and so we had a few people that went to Comic-con last year and that has grown over the year, and we have 8 people that will be going in March.

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So we'll hopefully be able to kind of report on that next time too, but that's in Indianapolis, and I think there's a handful of them that also intend to actively participate and dress up.

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So it kind of is expanding to more active participation rather than being a presence, but it's tens of thousands of people that participate in that event.

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So it'll be it'll be fun to learn more about that next month. So just wanted to share. Thank you.

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Any questions with any of those? Okay. Thank you.

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Mel from PACE is about to speak to us, I think.

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Good morning everybody. Hope you guys can hear me. But just a quick announcement on tomorrow we had PACE from one to 3 our deaf advisory advisory committee DAC, it's meeting, but we are invited a speaker from METCAD, cause we have, they're talking about how for an emergency, we have they're talking about how for an emergency to communicate with Metcad without voice.

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So we will have them end up in at PACE as speakers. And so to kind of do awareness on how that process is, we would like to invite everybody who might think that or anyone that you know that would benefit.

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You know that process, we would, for you guys, from one to 3 tomorrow. We will have this the speaker from, and also possibly, WCIA will be here for the awareness.

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So, and it's because it was held - hosted by our deaf advisory committee. So, but anybody's welcome.

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So if anyone thinks that they want to know about that process or that that service with METCAD. Well, feel free to come by at PACE from one to 3.

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We will have the speakers here. So. Just and I can send out the flyers to to share with everybody.

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Thank you, Mel. You said that was at PACE's headquarters, right?

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It is at 1317 8 Florida. So again, it is tomorrow from one to 3 here so I will also follow up with a Lynn a flyer to send to everybody so please share it to anyone that would benefit from it.

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Thank you.

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Save that. Who is it?

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Hi, this is Allison Jones calling. Dr. Jones. Yeah, I was just wanting to make sure or to congratulate Nancy, and I think she's there participating in person.

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She's a nurse and social worker in town, and to help our family as a deacon from the First Presbyterian Church.

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But she was recently appointed to the state - I think it's the governor's commission for, it's a task force on respite care.

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I'm looking at that. I know that's been a need for many families in town, and I just wanted to make sure people were aware she's on that so that any things regarding needs or either in our county or other things people are hearing about that they that maybe you could transmit those to her or vocalize or

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Document these issues so that they can. Make good use of their time and try to get some innovation and support.

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Especially in the area, in a respite care for next generation families or taking over for parents.

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I think that's very important, and I think that's a need that is - Yeah, you know, really a problem in the state and also particular account.

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Thanks.

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Thank you, Dr. Jones.

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Are there any other speakers, anyone want to present anything? Is that the last of our hands up?

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Okay. Yeah. Yeah. No, I don't think anyone else.

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Hello, Well, the next item would be county board input, which would be Leah. Do you have anything for us, Leah?

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I don't have anything this month. Everything's pretty quiet on the county board front. Sorry.

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No, it's fine. That's fine. I mean, where we, you know, Kyle has left us- the board chair has left us to become the township - Champaign Township Supervisor.

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So I mean that's been the hot news. You know, so we're electing a new chair tomorrow.

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Do we have any Champaign County Mental Health Board input? They'll meet tonight, and they also have a presentation.

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They have one presentation. It's on the strategic plan that's been developed through a mental health board funded program for coordination of the homeless services.

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So it's it's the local strategic plan around housing. So, that'll be interesting.

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And then otherwise they have pretty much the same business you all do. They have, I think, 23 mental health or substance use related applications to review.

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That might actually include the 2 early childhood ones as well. So that's a little less than last year.

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Yeah, make me feel really happy -

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The work ahead of us.

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Well, if there is nothing else, do we have any other board announcements or input? At all?

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Oh, Kim. I'll be very quick. So I can't remember, so please excuse me if this is a repeat, but

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Did we ever, so in the December county board meeting, I think Chris Wilson was congratulated or for his 10 years of service to the county.

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So I wanted to say thank you Chris for your service, and also Kim Bowdry was recognized for 15 years of service to the County.

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And so just thank you both for your service. I wanted to, we didn't bring it up before.

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Okay, so we didn't bring it up because the whole meeting, I was like, did we bring it up?

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I couldn't remember. Okay. And then the other last thing I wanted to bring up was Shandra Summerville was nominated as a local hero at the CU Schools Foundation.

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So congratulations Shandra. We're so happy that you got that award.

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And then the last thing is, Kim, I wanted to thank you for putting that PDF training last year.

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Thank you very much.

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The how do you make PDFs screen readable training? Maybe like November or December of 2022.

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I actually shared that so, Tina Childress who does like trainings is doing an ASL popup.

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So they reached out to me at ISU to send that information out to our students, but their PDF was inaccessible.

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So I said, oh, let me just make it accessible. I'll send send out to you.

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And they were like, well, how do you make PDFs accessible? I was like, well, I have a webinar for you.

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So I shared it with them and they're very happy to have have it. So thank you for putting that on.

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I actually had to Google it, but it's - got shared.

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It sounds wonderful. Thank you, Kim. If we are all through, I think we will adjourn this meeting.