



Child Care Services Committee Meeting

September 10, 2024
3:00 pm

Mission Career Center
4981 Ayers Street
Mission Training Room
Corpus Christi, TX

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- Establish and Strengthen Partnerships
- Effectively/Efficiently Target Rural Area Services
- Increase Workforce Awareness
- Expand Innovative Services to Business
- Explore New Revenue Opportunities
- Improve Internal Efficiencies
- Refine Board Culture

Mission Statement

At Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend, we invest in our regional economic success through access to jobs, training, and employer services.

Value Statement

Accountability – We address our customers and co-workers in a positive manner that elevates their spirit and creates a professional, supportive workplace for staff, job seekers, and employers.

Teamwork – We combine our individual talents for the benefit of the mission and common goals leveraging our unique abilities and contributions.

Trust – We consistently deliver on our commitments to our customers and co-workers to establish strong, sustainable relationships.

Integrity – We are honest, supportive, candid in addressing difficult issues, and willing to share success to demonstrate respect and consideration for our customers and co-workers.

Tenacity – We resist giving up when the going gets tough and support our customers and co-workers in seeing that issues are resolved and the job gets done.

Understanding – We are serious and passionate about delivering our services with compassion and empathy.

Dignity – We interact with customers and co-workers professionally regardless of their backgrounds, experience, and circumstances to reflect our commitment as public servants.

Enthusiasm – We recognize the importance and value of our work and know that every day we have the opportunity to help build the economic success of our regional economy.

Disclosure and Declaration of a Conflict of Interest

Conflicts of Interest and the appearance of Conflicts of Interest shall be reported according to Board Administrative Policies #1.0.101.00 - Standards of Conduct and Conflict of Interest; and #1.0.105.00 - Reporting Conflict of Interest, Fraud, and Abuse, which were adopted by the Board of Directors on April 26, 2007.

Conflict of Interest – A circumstance in which a Board Member, Board employee, Contracted Provider, or Contracted Provider's employee is in a decision-making position and has a direct or indirect interest, particularly a financial interest, that influences the individual's ability to perform job duties and fulfill responsibilities.

Appearance of a Conflict of Interest – A circumstance in which a Board Member, Board employee, Contracted Provider, or Contracted Provider's employee's action appears to be:

- influenced by considerations of one or more of the following: gain to the person, entity, or organization for which the person has an employment interest, substantial financial interest, or other interest, whether direct or indirect (other than those consistent with the terms of the contract), or;
- motivated by design to gain improper influence over the Commission, the Agency, the Board, or the Board's Chief Elected Officials.

Code of Ethics

The Workforce Solutions Code of Ethics is a guide for dealing with ethical matters in the workplace and in our relationship with our clients and members of the community.

- We believe in respect for the individual.
- We believe all persons are entitled to be treated with respect, compassion and dignity.
- We believe in openness and honesty in dealing with the general public, the people we serve, and our peers.
- We believe in striving for excellence.
- We believe in conducting ourselves in a way that will avoid even the appearance of favoritism, undue influence or impropriety, so as to preserve public confidence in our efforts.



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AGENDA

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I. Call to Order: *Marcia Keener, Chair*

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IV. **Announcement on Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest**
Any Conflicts of Interest or Appearance of a Conflict of Interest with items on this agenda shall be declared at this time. Members with conflicts will refrain from voting and are asked to refrain from discussion on such items. Conflicts discovered later in the meeting shall be disclosed at that time. Note: Information on open meetings is included at the end of this agenda.

V. **Public Comments**

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VIII. Adjournment

Note: Except for expressly authorized closed sessions, meetings, discussions, and deliberations of the Board or Committees will be open to the public. Voting in all cases will be open to the public. Board members are advised that using personal communication devices to discuss Committee and Board business during the meeting may be a violation of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Such communications also may be subject to the Texas Public Information Act.

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Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA). All public meetings are required to follow all parts of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Therefore, we will be holding this meeting both in-person at our **Mission Career Center – Mission Training Room** and on **ZOOM**. With this format, comes some changes to what is required of board members and the public.

- The presiding member (Chair or designee) must be in-person at the meeting location, 4981 Ayers Street, Corpus Christi, Texas.
- Board members must be visible on camera in order to count toward the quorum and in order to vote.
- The public and all presenters will need to be visible while presenting information.

This hybrid meeting format will allow us to meet TOMA rules, while still ensuring the safety of those who must attend.

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**Child Care Services Committee
Roll Call Roster
September 10, 2024
(4 = Quorum)**

_____ Marcia Keener, Chair

_____ Dr. Justin Hoggard, Vice Chair

_____ Andrea Chavez

_____ Dr. Criselda Leal

_____ Michelle Lozano

_____ Michelle Tobar

_____ Catrina Wilson

Signed

Printed Name

MINUTES
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May 7, 2024 – 3:00 pm

Committee Members

Present

Marcia Keener, Chair
Justin Hoggard, Vice Chair
Andrea Chavez
Criselda Leal
Michelle Tobar

Absent

Michelle Lozano
Catrina Wilson

Others Present

Shileen Lee, Workforce Solutions
Janet Neely, Workforce Solutions
Allyson Riojas, Workforce Solutions
Denise Woodson, Workforce Solutions
Valerie Ann De La Cruz, Workforce Solutions
Valerie De La Cruz, Workforce Solutions
Dorothy Guerrero, Workforce Solutions
Lorraine Munoz, Workforce Solutions
Miroslava Paiz, Workforce Solutions
Katrina Baker, Workforce Solutions
Angela Thomas, Workforce Solutions
Morgan Lovely, Workforce Solutions
Rebecca Garza, Workforce Solutions
Vicki Stonum, Workforce Solutions
Ruben Aceves, Workforce Solutions
Esther Velazquez, Workforce Solutions
Milanda Ballesteros, Workforce Solutions
Catherine Cole, Workforce Solutions
Celina Leal, Workforce Solutions
Samantha Smolik, Workforce Solutions
Tony Armadillo, Workforce Solutions
Zachary James, Workforce Solutions
Neil Hanson, BakerRipley
Kenia Dimas, BakerRipley
Geri Escobar, C2GPS, LLC

Other Board Members Present:

Jesse Gatewood

I. Call to Order

Ms. Keener called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

II. TOMA Rules

Ms. Neely provided information on the Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA) Rules.

III. Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum was present. Mr. Gatewood was also in attendance.

IV. Announcement on Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

Attention was called to the Disclosure and Declaration of Conflict of Interest and disclosures were requested by the chair at this time. None were made.

V. Public Comments

Due to the new TOMA rules we do have a laptop setup at 4981 Ayers Street, and it is listed on the zoom call as Public. The laptop is available and open to the public.

VI. Discussion and Possible Action on Minutes of the February 13, 2024 Child Care Services Committee Meeting

Dr. Leal moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 Child Care Services Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Hoggard and passed.

VII. Information Only:

a. Summary of Child Care Performance for the Second Quarter of BCY2024

Ms. Woodson provided a summary of Child Care performance for the second quarter of BCY 2024 (included on page 7 of the May 7 agenda packet).

b. Summary of Child Care Performance for the Month of April of the Third Quarter of BCY2024

Ms. Woodson provided a summary of Child Care performance for the month of April of the third quarter of BCY 2024 (included on page 8 of the May 7 agenda packet).

c. Action Plan for Child Care Performance for the Remainder of the Third Quarter of BCY2024

Ms. Woodson provided information on an action plan for Child Care performance for the remainder of the third quarter of BCY 2024 (included on pages 9-14 of the May 7 agenda packet).

d. Analysis of Coastal Bend Child Care

Ms. Woodson provided an Analysis of Coastal Bend Child Care for the month of January 2024 (included on page 15 of the May 7 agenda packet).

e. Summary of Direct Care Child Care Services Program for the Second Quarter of BCY2024

Ms. Dimas provided information on the Summary of Direct Care Child Care Services Program for the Second Quarter of BCY2024 (included on page 16 of the May 7 agenda packet).

Ms. Keener recognized Ms. Dimas and the team for all their great work.

f. Impact of Strategic Board Goals on the Child Care Quality Services Program

Ms. Woodson provided information on the Impact of Strategic Board Goals on the Child Care Quality Services Program (included on page 17 of the May 7 agenda packet).

Ms. Woodson recognized the Texas Rising Star Mentors Ms. De L Cruz, Ms. A. De La Cruz and Ms. Guerrero for their work.

g. Texas Rising Star (TRS) Entry Level Designation (ELD) Provider Update

Ms. De La Cruz provided information on the Texas Rising Star (TRS) Entry Level Designation (ELD) Provider Update (included on page 18 of the May 7 agenda packet).

h. Update on the Status of the Texas Child Care Connection (TX3C) System

Ms. Woodson provided an update on the Status of the Texas Child Care Connection (TX3C) System (included on page 19 of the May 7 agenda packet).

Ms. Keener thanked everyone for attending the Child Care Services Committee Meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:56 pm.

INFORMATION ONLY

VII – 1a. Performance Update BCY2024 – Third Quarter (Q3) Performance

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

During the Child Care Committee Meeting held on May 7, 2024, we reported on the Board's child care performance for the second quarter of BCY2024. TWC conducted a mid-year review of all of the Workforce Board's performance measure targets at the end of the second quarter of BCY2024. As a result of this review, the performance measure target for the Coastal Bend Board increased from **3,214** average number of children served per day to **3,242** average number of children served per day. This is an increase of **28** children. The Board made the decision to continue enrolling children beyond our performance target because we had local match funding that we needed to exhaust during BCY2024. ***The Board's adjusted performance target measure for the remainder of BCY2024 is 4,176 average number of children served per day.***

At the end of the third quarter (June 28, 2024) of this contract year, there were **4,059** children enrolled in the Child Care Services (CCS) Program. This is an increase of **559** children since the end of December 2023. This enrollment places our performance at **125.20%** of TWC's performance measure target (**3,242**) and at **97.20%** of the Board's adjusted performance measure target (**4,176**).

Attached is a chart indicating the actual enrollments for the third quarter of BCY2024.

FY2024 - Direct Child Care Forecast

August 2024 as of August 01, 2024

DESCRIPTION	CONTRACT	Start Date	End Date	BUDGET AMOUNT	AMOUNT EXPENDED As of 08-01-2024	BALANCE	PROJECTED UNPAID CLAIMS	SURPLUS / DEFICIT	Annual Performance Potential	Assumptions
CCC	2224CCC001	10/1/2023	10/31/2024	\$ 5,491,745	\$ 508,109	\$ 4,983,636	\$ 7,056,101	\$ (272,271)	3,728	Budget - Updated Dec report to funds in contract. Cost - Assumed Sept cost (\$26) plus \$1.25 increase for max rate increase. Oct costs projected accurately. Enrollment - Assumed current enrollment and remained flat.
CCF	2224CCF001	10/1/2023	12/31/2024	\$ 18,099,612	\$ 16,241,490	\$ 1,858,122				
CCF	2223CCF001	10/1/2022	12/31/2023	\$ 1,418,875	\$ 1,476,803	\$ (57,928)				
Sub Total - Formula Funds				\$ 25,010,232	\$ 18,226,403	\$ 6,783,830	\$ 7,056,101	\$ (272,271)	3,728	

Local Match	23CCM	10/1/2022	9/30/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
Coastal Bend College	2223C04	10/1/2022	11/30/2023	\$ 280,000	\$ 280,000	\$ -				
Del Mar College	2223C06	10/1/2022	11/30/2023	\$ 340,000	\$ 340,000	\$ -				
Texas A&M University-Kings	2223C07	10/1/2022	11/30/2023	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ -				
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi	2223C08	10/1/2022	11/30/2023	\$ 70,000	\$ 70,000	\$ -				
City of Corpus Christi	2223C05	10/1/2022	11/30/2023	\$ 890,444	\$ 890,444	\$ -				
Fy24 Local Match	2224CCX001	#N/A	#N/A	\$ 1,897,372	\$ -	\$ 1,897,372				
				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
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				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
Sub Total - Local Match Funds				\$ 3,777,816	\$ 1,880,444	\$ 1,897,372	\$ -	\$ 1,897,372		

Sub Total - CCDF Performance Funds				\$ 28,788,048	\$ 20,106,847	\$ 8,681,202	\$ 7,056,101	\$ 1,625,101	3,728	
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DFPS				\$ 523,146	\$ 678,584	\$ (155,438)	\$ 170,344	\$ (325,782)	96	
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Total All Funds				\$ 29,311,194	\$ 20,785,430	\$ 8,525,764	\$ 7,226,445	\$ 1,299,319	3,823	
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Percentage 70.91% 29.09% 24.65% 4.43%

Performance Target (Discretionary & Mandatory)
3,242

Reconciliation to Contract:

Total Funds Management Budget	\$ 29,311,194	
CCP Funds in Contract	\$ -	
Other Funds in Contract	\$ -	
Total Budgets in reports	\$ 29,311,194	
Contract Amount	\$ 29,311,194	
Variance and Explanation	\$ 0	

Fiscal Year 2024 - Enrollment Targets

Eligibility Characteristic	Enrollment As Of	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Projected	Projected	Difference Over/(Under) to current month	
	Aug 01	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment	Average Enrollment		
	8/1/2024	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24		
CCDF FUNDS	3 - Transitional	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	10 - Income Eligible	3,766	3,511	3,480	3,471	3,518	3,679	3,793	3,900	3,843	3,915	3,868	3,668	3,568	98
	16 - Homeless	28	22	19	15	13	17	16	19	19	22	26	26	26	2
	1 - Choices	18	28	28	28	25	19	21	21	21	17	18	18	18	0
	2 - Tanf Applicant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4 - SNAP E&T	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	15 - Former DFPS	69	43	49	55	58	58	51	63	63	61	67	67	67	2
Sub Total	3,881	3,604	3,576	3,569	3,614	3,773	3,881	4,003	3,946	4,015	3,979	3,779	3,679	102	
			-28	-7	45	159	108	122	-57	69	-36	-200	-100		
DFPS	11 - General Protective	46	50	57	51	54	54	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	7
	12 - Foster Care IV-E	10	5	5	5	3	4	6	6	6	6	8	8	8	2
	13 - Foster Care not IV-E	19	17	16	20	23	25	22	22	27	19	17	12	12	7
	14 - Relative/Other Caregiver	18	19	20	23	24	24	20	20	23	22	22	23	23	(5)
	Sub Total	93	91	98	99	104	107	87	87	95	87	86	82	82	11
Total All Funds	3,974	3,695	3,674	3,668	3,718	3,880	3,968	4,090	4,041	4,102	4,065	3,861	3,761	113	

INFORMATION ONLY

VII – 1b. Performance Update BCY2024 – Fourth Quarter (Q4) July Outcomes & Action Plan for Remainder of Q4

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

As of July 31, 2024, there were **3,916** children enrolled in the Child Care Services (CCS) Program. This is a decrease in enrollment of **143** children since the end of June. The decrease in enrollment is attributed to the time year; it is Summer time, and there is typically a significant number of children for whom care is dropped during the summer months (children enrolled in Latchkey or other after school programs) who will be re-enrolled into the Latchkey or after school programs once school starts and children who are turning “6” years who will be entering a full day elementary school program and those children who are aging out of the program (children who have turned 13 years old).

The anticipated TWC and Board’s performance measure perspectives are listed below.

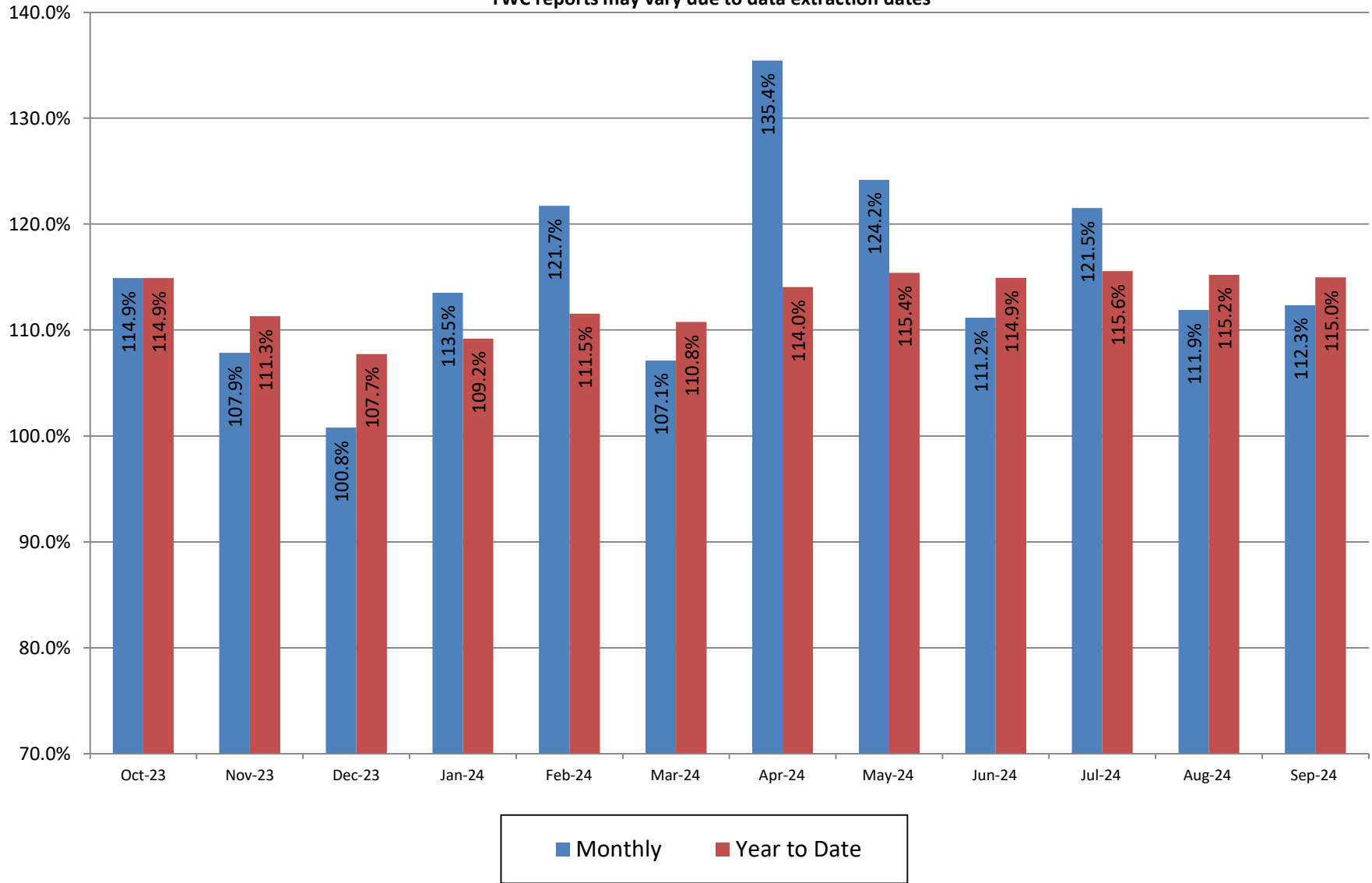
- TWC Performance Measure – 120.79%
- WFSCB’s Adjusted Performance Measure – 93.77%

The action plan for child care performance for the remainder of the fourth quarter of BCY2024 is to continue enrolling children from the wait list.

Attached is a chart indicating the actual and projected performance for the fourth quarter of BCY2024.

Coastal Bend CCDF Funds Actual and Projected Performance

TWC reports may vary due to data extraction dates



INFORMATION ONLY

VII – 1c. Performance Update BCY2024 - TWC Analysis of Coastal Bend Child Care as of June 2024

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Board receives a monthly report from TWC that analyzes child care performance with respect to several factors. The most current monthly report regarding child care performance was received on August 22, 2024. Included in the report was a program analysis for the month of June 2024 that contained the following information:

- Average number of children in care – 3,726
- Average cost per unit (**Discretionary Care**) - \$28.90
- Average cost per unit (**Mandatory Care**) - \$33.71
- Number of licensed centers –113
- Percentage of children in licensed centers – 94.41%
- Number of licensed homes – 26
- Percentage of children in licensed homes – 4.73%
- Number of registered homes – 7
- Percentage of children in registered homes – 0.40%
- Total registered providers – 146
- Number of listed relative homes – 9
- Percentage of children in listed relative homes – 0.47%
- Total relative providers – 9
- Percentage of Choices Program – 0.42%
- Percentage of Other Mandatory – 1.52%
- Board Performance - Discretionary – 98.07%
- Percentage of Former DFPS Only – 1.52%
- Number of children on wait list – 363
- Enrollment is currently open

*Discretionary care is income based child care.

Mandatory care is referred by Department of Family Protective Services (DFPS) and Choices Program referrals.

Program Analysis for the Month of		June																		Board Name		Statewide			
Analysis Date		Jul-24																		Board number		n/a			
Local Workforce Development Board	Key Performance Indicators																								
	Board Performance				Board Performance Average Cost Per Unit		Mandatory Average Cost Per Unit		# of Lic Cntr	% Child-ren in Lic Cntr	# of Lic Home	% Child-ren in Lic Home	# of Reg Home	% Child-ren in Reg Home	TOTAL REG PROVIDERS	# of Rel Pvdrs	% Children in Rel Care	% Choices	% Other Mandatory**	% Discretionary	% Former DFPS ONLY	Number of Children on Wait List	Enroll-ment Status Open = 1 Closed = 0	Income Limit	
	Current Mo	BCY24 Target	BCY24 Ramp-Up Target	% Target	Current Mo	YTD	Current Mo	YTD																	
#	Name	YTD	YTD	YTD																					
20	Alamo	11,963	12,378	12,378	96.65%	\$34.23	\$31.26	\$38.40	\$36.33	448	98.61%	27	0.69%	26	0.55%	501	10	0.15%	1.54%	4.70%	93.76%	4.70%	4,594	1	85% SMI
10	Borderplex	7,355	6,609	6,609	111.29%	\$25.31	\$24.15	\$28.51	\$27.16	208	94.86%	46	2.76%	13	0.81%	267	52	1.57%	1.01%	3.45%	95.54%	3.45%	2,852	0	85% SMI
16	Brazos Valley	1,587	1,424	1,424	111.45%	\$30.89	\$27.99	\$34.52	\$33.00	73	91.64%	19	7.21%	3	0.54%	95	3	0.61%	1.74%	7.83%	90.43%	7.43%	1,190	0	85% SMI
24	Cameron	3,508	3,452	3,452	101.62%	\$32.45	\$30.43	\$37.10	\$35.42	145	98.84%	7	1.01%	1	0.15%	153	0	0.00%	2.08%	3.59%	94.33%	3.44%	1,509	0	85% SMI
14	Capital Area	3,032	3,036	3,036	99.87%	\$46.86	\$40.90	\$52.82	\$49.96	271	97.23%	21	2.35%	5	0.24%	297	3	0.19%	2.08%	5.67%	92.25%	5.67%	5,165	0	85% SMI
26	Central Texas	3,472	3,352	3,352	103.58%	\$23.17	\$22.26	\$29.09	\$27.08	144	96.56%	14	1.25%	19	1.80%	177	3	0.39%	3.71%	3.94%	92.35%	3.41%	928	0	85% SMI
22	Coastal Bend	3,726	3,242	3,242	114.93%	\$28.90	\$27.68	\$33.71	\$33.10	113	94.41%	26	4.73%	7	0.40%	146	9	0.47%	0.42%	1.52%	98.07%	1.52%	363	1	85% SMI
12	Concho Valley	806	786	786	102.54%	\$23.26	\$21.06	\$30.65	\$27.82	34	99.12%	1	0.13%	2	0.76%	37	0	0.00%	0.63%	1.75%	97.62%	1.75%	218	0	85% SMI
6	Dallas	15,634	15,945	15,945	98.05%	\$33.76	\$30.06	\$39.25	\$36.17	542	95.42%	80	2.20%	64	2.04%	686	28	0.35%	2.26%	2.72%	95.01%	2.72%	5,540	1	85% SMI
17	Deep East Texas	2,675	2,683	2,683	99.70%	\$24.11	\$22.92	\$27.93	\$27.17	88	98.87%	5	0.90%	2	0.23%	95	0	0.00%	0.72%	2.43%	96.85%	2.43%	959	1	85% SMI
8	East Texas	5,663	5,639	5,639	100.43%	\$23.68	\$22.00	\$29.05	\$28.24	201	97.96%	18	1.39%	5	0.30%	224	6	0.34%	0.75%	3.75%	95.51%	3.75%	1,562	1	85% SMI
19	Golden Crescent	1,125	1,275	1,275	88.24%	\$22.64	\$20.57	\$28.80	\$27.75	47	98.26%	4	1.30%	1	0.17%	52	2	0.27%	0.37%	2.17%	97.47%	2.17%	-	1	85% SMI
28	Gulf Coast	36,713	33,620	33,620	109.20%	\$34.03	\$31.07	\$38.88	\$36.69	1,294	96.56%	141	1.86%	103	1.21%	1,538	61	0.37%	1.50%	3.68%	94.81%	3.58%	17,508	0	85% SMI
13	Heart of Texas	2,333	2,358	2,358	98.94%	\$26.21	\$24.02	\$31.92	\$30.15	85	98.00%	11	1.75%	1	0.01%	97	4	0.24%	1.24%	4.37%	94.39%	4.37%	360	1	85% SMI
23	Lower Rio Grande Valley	9,628	9,661	9,661	99.66%	\$27.86	\$25.69	\$31.96	\$30.06	380	97.57%	33	1.96%	10	0.41%	423	1	0.06%	1.31%	1.50%	97.18%	1.41%	2,386	1	85% SMI
27	Middle Rio Grande	1,338	1,365	1,365	98.02%	\$24.97	\$23.84	\$29.99	\$28.86	36	99.30%	1	0.07%	1	0.56%	38	1	0.07%	1.64%	6.54%	91.83%	6.54%	603	1	85% SMI
4	North Central	8,253	7,923	7,923	104.17%	\$36.98	\$33.51	\$41.59	\$38.92	623	95.90%	55	2.60%	25	1.15%	703	16	0.36%	1.72%	4.94%	93.33%	4.86%	8,727	0	85% SMI
7	North East Texas	1,718	1,939	1,939	88.60%	\$24.29	\$22.55	\$27.67	\$26.87	69	98.60%	2	0.11%	3	0.99%	74	2	0.30%	0.45%	6.00%	93.55%	6.00%	-	1	85% SMI
3	North Texas	1,151	1,243	1,243	92.60%	\$23.49	\$22.50	\$29.40	\$28.44	68	98.89%	6	0.87%	2	0.24%	76	0	0.00%	2.51%	3.58%	93.91%	3.58%	292	1	85% SMI
1	Panhandle	2,205	2,481	2,481	88.88%	\$27.86	\$26.27	\$31.80	\$30.53	76	95.97%	13	2.24%	9	1.79%	98	0	0.00%	0.72%	2.36%	96.92%	2.28%	-	1	85% SMI
11	Permian Basin	2,533	2,700	2,700	93.81%	\$29.52	\$27.07	\$33.13	\$31.10	69	99.43%	4	0.21%	2	0.36%	75	0	0.00%	0.34%	0.67%	98.99%	0.67%	427	1	85% SMI
15	Rural Capital Area	2,905	2,967	2,967	97.91%	\$38.24	\$32.16	\$45.25	\$40.67	321	97.97%	13	1.34%	6	0.37%	340	5	0.32%	1.18%	7.04%	91.78%	7.04%	3,136	1	85% SMI
2	South Plains	2,516	2,420	2,420	103.97%	\$30.00	\$26.44	\$35.28	\$33.80	70	98.84%	5	0.36%	2	0.39%	77	4	0.41%	0.78%	10.65%	88.58%	10.65%	1,145	1	85% SMI
21	South Texas	3,326	2,975	2,975	111.80%	\$23.68	\$22.13	\$29.50	\$26.75	101	95.08%	18	2.49%	5	0.61%	124	25	1.82%	0.68%	1.43%	97.90%	1.43%	2,086	1	85% SMI
18	Southeast Texas	2,448	2,471	2,471	99.07%	\$26.34	\$24.06	\$29.51	\$28.11	83	97.51%	6	1.15%	8	1.35%	97	0	0.00%	1.03%	3.41%	95.56%	3.41%	1,187	1	85% SMI
5	Tarrant	8,762	8,332	8,332	105.16%	\$37.57	\$34.23	\$43.96	\$40.95	393	96.94%	31	1.32%	44	1.67%	468	3	0.07%	2.50%	7.75%	89.74%	7.66%	19,975	0	85% SMI
25	Texoma	1,113	1,118	1,118	99.55%	\$26.65	\$24.61	\$28.77	\$25.39	70	95.06%	7	3.16%	3	0.95%	80	6	0.82%	0.32%	2.75%	96.93%	2.75%	318	0	85% SMI
9	West Central Texas	1,646	1,742	1,742	94.49%	\$24.72	\$22.36	\$28.31	\$27.03	57	97.25%	9	1.69%	4	0.89%	70	3	0.17%	0.62%	4.08%	95.30%	4.08%	890	1	85% SMI
BOARD ROLL-UP*		149,134	145,136	145,136	102.75%	\$31.61	\$28.86	\$37.55	\$35.24	6,109	96.81%	623	1.84%	376	1.00%	7,108	247	0.36%	1.50%	3.88%	94.62%	3.82%	83,920		

Percents are for AVERAGE CHILDREN IN CARE by Provider type, Choices and At Risk for the analysis month.

FPG – Federal Poverty Guideline
SMI – State Median Income.

* Board Roll-up of Average Number of Children Served total is different from the State LBB Measure.

** Other Mandatory includes Former DFPS, TANF Applicants and SNAP E&T

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VII – 2a. Operations & Management of Child Care Services – BakerRipley Update

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

BakerRipley Management will provide updates on the Operations & Management of Child Care Services for Fourth Quarter (Q4).

1. TX3C System Update

- Launch date has been delayed. Date to be determined.
- Prospective payments have been delayed until the launch of the new system.
- KinderTrack usage is at 99%

2. Staffing Updates

- There are currently 3 vacancies: 1 Provider Specialist, 1 Compliance Technician, and 1 Intake Eligibility Specialist.
- Staff have completed more than 100 hours of training and user acceptance testing in the third quarter of BCY2024.
- Development – all staff attended a one-day retreat where they participated in team building activities. The retreat was held during the system shut down.

3. Community Impact

- During the third quarter of BCY2024, 7 new providers were added, 2 providers withdrew from the program. A net total of 287 child care openings were created.
- Total providers with agreements reached an all-time high of 180.
- A total of 225 Summer transfers were completed.
- Staff attended 9 community events.

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VII – 3a. Child Care Quality Services (CCQS) – Texas Rising Star (TRS) Program Update

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board Professionals would like to remind the Committee that the Chapter 809 Child Care Services Rules, Subchapter G. Texas Rising Star Program §§809.130 – 809.136 was amended to implement House Bill (HB) 2607 which requires **all** regulated child care providers of TWC-funded Child Care Services (CCS) programs be included in the Texas Rising Star program. All current child care providers with Workforce Provider Agreements must be TRS certified by September 30, 2024.

Board Professionals will provide the Committee with an update regarding the number of certified Texas Rising Star (TRS) child care providers currently in our region and the status of the existing Entry Level Designated (ELD) child care providers.

- Certified Texas Rising Star child care providers - 52
- Child care centers identified as “assessment ready” - 42
- Child care centers and after school programs currently receiving mentoring services - 42

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VII – 3b. Child Care Quality Services (CCQS) – Preview of CCQS Fourth Quarter (Q4)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board Professionals will share a preview of the Child Care Quality events that are taking place during Fourth Quarter of BCY2024.

10th Annual Directors Symposium was held on July 27, 2024.

- **86** child care directors and assistant directors attended this event.

10th Annual “Back to School” Teachers Fair was held on August 17, 2024.

- **335** child care staff attended this event.

WFSCB Glossary of Terms

Program Title	Acronym	Program Description
Able-bodied Adult Without Dependents	ABAWD	An individual 18 yrs.+ , but under the age of 50, without dependents. SNAP-ABAWD recipients are referred by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).
Board Contract Year	BCY	Board Contract Year (runs from Oct. 1 - Sept. 30)
Career & Education Outreach Program	CEOP	Provides career information to students at public middle and high schools, grades six through twelve, to direct students towards high-growth/high-demand occupations. Students receive in-depth information and directions on career choices as well as access to workforce resources.
Dislocated Worker	DW	An individual who has been terminated or laid off from employment is not eligible for unemployment benefits due to insufficient earnings and is unlikely to return to a previous industry or occupation.
Department of Labor	DOL	United States Department of Labor
Educator Externship	EDEX	Informs teachers of the skill sets needed for in-demand jobs, and allows the teachers to inform and guide students toward employment in industries that match their skill sets.
Employment Services (Wagner-Peyser)	ES	Services for employers and job seekers to ensure employers have access to qualified workers. Provides job matching and recruitment services to employers and job seekers.
Eligible Training Provider	ETP	Training providers certified by the Texas Workforce Commission to provide WIOA-funded training programs.
Eligible Training Program List	ETPL	A comprehensive list of training programs approved for WIOA-funded training using Individual Training Accounts.
Fiscal Year	FY	The fiscal year is the accounting period of the federal government. It begins on October 1 and ends on September 30 of the next calendar year.
Individual Training Accounts	ITA	An account established for eligible WIOA customers for training in an array of state-approved training programs. ITAs may be used only for programs included on the statewide ETPL.
Local Workforce Development Board	LWDB	Local workforce development board established in accordance with WIA Section 117, for the purpose of policy planning for a local area and has the responsibility to ensure that the workforce needs of employers and job seekers in the geographic area governed by the local unit of government are met.
Monthly Performance Report	MPR	Performance accountability indicators used to assess the effectiveness of states and local workforce systems to achieve positive outcomes for individuals served by the six core workforce programs.
Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Program	MSFW	A nationally directed program created by Congress in response to the chronic seasonal unemployment and underemployment experienced by migrant and seasonal farmworkers (MSFW). Provides funding to help migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families achieve economic self-sufficiency.
National Dislocated Worker	NDW	A grant awarded to areas affected by major disaster or national catastrophe to assist in disaster relief employment and assist the substantial number of workers who were forced to relocate from an area in which a disaster has been declared.
On-the-Job Training	OJT	One-on-one training located at the job site for participants who already have some job-related skills. By participating in training as an employee, the participant acquires new skills and knowledge and receives the same wages and benefits as current employees in the same or similar position.
Program Year	PY	Program Year (for example, Program Year 2022: PY'22; –period varies for state and federal years)
Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment	RESEA	A federal grant program designed to allow states to provide intensive reemployment assistance to individuals who are receiving unemployment benefits and are determined likely to exhaust their benefits before becoming reemployed.
Rapid Response	RR	Provides immediate on-site assistance to workers who have job losses due to businesses closure or worker reduction. Designed to transition workers to their next employment as soon as possible.

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Program Title	Acronym	Program Description
Summer Earn and Learn	SEAL	A summer program that offers basic work-based learning and training services for students with disabilities such as, pre-employment work readiness training and preparation for the work experience placement; work experience to help gain familiarity with the workplace environment and develop transferable job skills; and paid compensation for time worked on the job.
Student HireAbility Navigator	SHAN	Student HireAbility Navigator's role is to expand and improve access to employment and training services and to increase employment opportunities for students with disabilities by creating strong partnerships between vocational rehabilitation (VR) Workforce Solutions offices, independent school districts (ISDs), community organizations, employers.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment & Training	SNAP E&T	Designed to assist SNAP recipients in obtaining employment through participation in allowable job search, training, education, or workforce activities that promote long-term self-sufficiency. SNAP recipients are referred by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).
Trade Adjustment Assistance	TAA	A federally funded program, with no costs to employers, who helps workers who are adversely affected by foreign import or job shifts to a foreign country.
Texas Education Agency	TEA	The branch of government in Texas responsible for public education. TEA is responsible for the oversight of public primary and secondary education in the state of Texas.
Texas Internship Initiative	TII	Provides part-time paid internships in Middle-Skill areas of accounting, business, construction management, engineering, healthcare, and information technology. Participating senior high school students must pass a dual-credit course to be placed in an internship with a local business. This grant is in partnership with Education to Employment (E2E) for the Coastal Bend.
Texas Industry Partnership Program	TIP	Supports collaborations between local workforce development boards and industry partners through the leveraging of matching contributions of cash or qualifying expenditures for occupational job training. Match funds must support certain WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) activities and focus on eight designated industry clusters.
Texas Veterans Commission	TVC	A state agency that assists veterans, their families, and survivors through services provided by federal, state, local government, and private organizations.
Texas Veterans Leadership Program	TVLP	A non-profit agency that provides services to veterans to help find employment and achieve successful transitions back into civilian life.
The Workforce Information System of Texas	TWIST	TWIST is a centralized point of reporting intake and case management for customers. Intake information is submitted just once for multiple employment and training programs and can be retrieved statewide. TWIST also allows staff to query and retrieve information from the legacy systems – Employment Services, Unemployment Insurance, SNAP E&T, TANF, Supplemental Security Income, and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
Vocational Rehabilitation Services	VRS	A federal program that helps individuals with physical or mental disabilities get and/or keep a job.
Work Experience	WE	A work-based learning opportunity in which program-eligible customers learn both essential and technical skills for long-term employment. Businesses are referred to as “work experience sites.” Intended to be short-term (12 or fewer weeks) and part-time work experience can be a volunteer, internship, or temporary short-term paid-work setting.
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act	WIOA	Helps job seekers and workers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market; and matches employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy.
Work In Texas	WIT	A comprehensive online job search resource and matching system developed and maintained by TWC. It provides recruiting assistance to Texas employers and job search assistance to any individual seeking work in Texas.
Workforce Opportunity Tax Credit	WOTC	A federal tax credit that the government provides to private-sector businesses for hiring individuals from nine target groups that have historically faced significant barriers to employment.