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Dallas Hunger Summit



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PRESENTED BY THE
DALLAS COALITION FOR HUNGER SOLUTIONS

9:15 A.M. - 2:15 P.M.

WELCOME

Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson and the Dallas Coalition for Hunger Solutions welcome you to the seventh annual Dallas Hunger Summit. We come together this year committed to ensuring that the 443,000 people in Dallas County who are food insecure can go from hunger to health. By uniting our different talents, resources and experience we can help all of our fellow community members have the nutritious food they need to be healthy and productive. We hope you will leave today educated, energized and eager to join us in this movement.

ABOUT DCHS

The Dallas Coalition for Hunger Solutions (DCHS), chaired by U.S. Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson, is a coalition of organizations and individuals whose mission is to empower residents of Dallas County to gain equal access to healthy food. The Coalition was launched out of the first Hunger Summit in November of 2011 and is staffed by the Dallas Regional office of the Texas Hunger Initiative, a project of Baylor University.

The Coalition works through five Action Teams focused on the strategic priorities of child hunger, senior hunger, urban agriculture, faith community engagement and public policy. Over 200 individuals and organizations have participated in one of these Action Teams. To learn more about how to get involved in an Action Team contact Wyonella Henderson-Greene, Coalition Coordinator, at wyonella_henderson-greene@baylor.edu. You can also find more information about DCHS at www.dallashungersolutions.org.

DCHS Leadership Team Members

Beth Dexter
Dabney Dwyer, Episcopal Diocese of Dallas, Faith Community Co-Chair
Heather Lepeska, City of Dallas
Jana Jackson, Dallas Baptist Association, Faith Community Co-Chair
Jenny Eyer, Children at Risk, Child Hunger Co-Chair
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Loretta Landry, Texas Hunger Initiative – Dallas, Child Hunger Co-Chair
Marc Jacobson, Texas Hunger Initiative – Dallas
Sara Albert, Public Policy Chair
Sonia White
Stephanie Mace, United Way of Metropolitan Dallas
Susie Marshall, GROW North Texas, Urban Agriculture Chair
Valerie Hawthorne, North Texas Food Bank
Yolanda Perez, Community Council

AGENDA

- 9:15 a.m. Welcome and Overview**
Sonia White, DCHS Leadership Team
Jason Hays, Creative Director at State Fair of Texas
- 9:30 a.m. Assuming Accountability for a Healthier Community**
Dr. Donald Wesson, President of Baylor Scott & White Health and Wellness Center
- 9:50 a.m. *Small Bite: Child Hunger Action Team***
- 9:55 a.m. Dallas Economic Opportunity Assessment**
Wende Burton, Senior Director, Philanthropy at Communities Foundation of Texas
- 10:15 a.m. Break**
- 10:30 a.m. *Small Bite: Urban Agriculture Action Team***
- 10:35 a.m. Distinguished Panel on Health and Food Insecurity**
See “Speakers” insert for information on panelists.
- 11:55 a.m. *Small Bite: Faith Community Action Team***
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch Break**
- 12:45 p.m. *Small Bite: Senior Hunger Action Team***
- 12:50 p.m. Dallas Community Food Assessment Map**
Heather Lepeska, Manager in the City of Dallas’ Office of Economic Development
- 1:10 p.m. *Big Bite: Understanding and Impacting Hunger Policy***
Valerie Hawthorne, Director of Government Relations at North Texas Food Bank
- 1:40 p.m. Impact of Food Insecurity on the North Texas Healthcare System**
Steve Love, President of the DFW Hospital Council
- 2:00 p.m. Closing Remarks**

SPEAKERS

Dr. Muthusamy Anandkumar, trained in both family medicine and general medicine, brings more than ten years of experience in correctional health as well as rich experience in population health and community health. Dr. Kumar is in the inaugural role of Vice President of the Parkland Community Health Institute where he is leading the transformation of healthcare in the Dallas County community by creating and translating innovative programs addressing the community's social determinants of health along with preventive health maintenance. (Panelist)

Wende Burton serves as Senior Director, Philanthropy for Communities Foundation of Texas (CFT), providing direction for the foundation's focus on economic stability and asset building for working families. Wende has over 17 years of experience with organizational development, business process improvement, curriculum development, and project management. Among many other roles, she serves on the steering committee for both for the Asset Funders Network and the North Texas Asset Funders Network.

Valerie Stone Hawthorne, Ph.D., is the Government Relations Director at the North Texas Food Bank. She previously served as the Government Relations Officer at the Houston Food Bank. She has worked on multiple federal and state policy initiatives, including Child Nutrition Reauthorization, the farm bill and increasing produce funding in the state budget. Dr. Hawthorne received a bachelor's degree in genetics and biochemistry at Texas A&M University, and a Ph.D. in cancer biology and cell biology at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. She serves on the DCHS Leadership Team.

Shannon Huggins is Senior Vice President, Contract Strategy and Population Health for Methodist Health System. She began with Methodist in 2002 and has System responsibilities for contracting and payor relations on behalf of Methodist. Ms. Huggins has over 25 years of experience in contracting, payor relations, population health, financial analysis and decision support. She earned her BS in marketing/finance from University of the Ozarks and her MS in healthcare administration from Texas Woman's University. (Panelist)

Heather Lepeska is a Manager in the City of Dallas' Office of Economic Development. She oversees programs related to improving economic opportunity, including small business development and the Dallas BRAIN, workforce development, and the South Dallas Fair Park Trust Fund. She also staffs the City's New Markets Tax Credits program as well as other initiatives. Ms. Lepeska received a M.P.P. with a focus on public/private policy and Management from the George Washington University and a B.A. in American studies from the University of Notre Dame. She is a member of the DCHS Leadership Team.

Steve Love is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council which promotes collaboration, cooperation and advocacy on

behalf of its 80 member hospitals. The primary mission is to promote patient safety, quality healthcare and coordination in the delivery of healthcare within the North Texas market. Mr. Love has worked in healthcare management for 35 years, demonstrating leadership in hospital operations, finance and corporate governance. Love graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a B.S. degree in business administration.

Sandi Pruitt, Ph.D., MPH is Assistant Professor in the Department of Clinical Sciences at UT Southwestern Medical Center. She is the co-director of Community Assistance Research (CARE), a community-academic partnership between faculty, staff, and students at universities in and around Dallas and the staff, volunteers, and clients of Crossroads Community Services. Dr. Pruitt leads research designed to understand how food insecurity and health intersect and to evaluate how best to supply food to food-insecure populations in order to improve health. (Panel Moderator)

Kati Szamos, MS, specializes in population health interventions with a focus on weight loss and lifestyle change behaviors. She currently heads the team of Health Educators at Baylor Scott & White Health and Wellness Center and is responsible for the development and implementation of evidence-based programs, such as the CDC National Diabetes Prevention Program, Group Lifestyle Balance Program and Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support Services. She has a B.S. in nutrition and community health and M.S. in clinical psychology from the Universidad Nacional Autonoma in Mexico City. (Panelist)

Dr. Ray Tsai, M.D. serves as Senior Vice President for Market Operations at Children's Medical Center Dallas. He provides executive leadership of the emergency department, specialty clinics, and ancillary services. He formerly served as President and Chief Medical Officer of Children's Health Pediatric Group. Dr. Tsai is board certified in pediatrics and clinical informatics by the American Board of Preventive Medicine. He completed his residency in Pediatrics at Georgetown University Hospital, earned his undergraduate and medical degrees at Northwestern University and his MBA at the Wharton School. (Panelist)

Dr. Donald Wesson, MD, MBA, FACP, FASN, is currently President of the Baylor Scott & White Health and Wellness Center and Senior Vice President of Baylor Scott & White Weight Management Services. Previously he was Professor of Medicine and Vice Dean of Texas A&M University College of Medicine in Temple, Texas. Dr. Wesson is past chair of the American Board of Internal Medicine. He earned his medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine and an MBA from the University of Texas. Dr. Wesson has authored more than 80 peer-reviewed scientific papers regarding kidney physiology and more than a dozen books about kidney disease and hypertension.