

KEY CONNECTIONS CONFERENCE

JANUARY 23, 2024



SHARED EXPERIENCES SHARED SUCCESSES



The Impact We Have Together

8:45 GEORGE LEVESQUE - EXE DIRECTOR - PARAMOUNT THEATER
EMCEE & GUEST SPEAKER

REBEL TAYLOR - ASST DIRECTOR - BIG COUNTRY CASA
COORDINATOR - CEU /CLE INFORMATION

8:50 JUDGE PAUL ROTENBERRY AND JUDGE APRIL PROPST, HOSTS
WELCOME AND COURT UPDATES

9:05 GEORGE LEVESQUE
"MY STORY"

9:20 KAYCEE ROBLES - VP OF PERMANENCY, 2INGAGE
KEY NOTE SPEAKER: SUCCESS FOR YOUTH THROUGH SAFETY & SUPPORT

10:00 - 10:15 BREAK

10:15 SUCCESS THROUGH YOUTH RESOURCES

- PAL - KIMBERLY BRUSEWITZ
- BCFS - AMY BAILEY, LMSW
- WEST TEXAS HOMELESS NETWORK - COURTNEY HORTON
- SUPERIOR HEALTH - TIFFANY BROWN
- BETTY HARDWICK /MENTAL HEALTH - DEAN PYE
- YOUTH VOICE DROP-IN CENTER - BEN SIBURT
- DAY NURSERY OF ABILENE - BRENDA PEAK
- STEPS RECOVERY CENTER - JEFF (FUZZY) SMITH

11:45 - 12:55 LUNCH

1:00 SUCCESS THROUGH EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

- EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT - TINA MCGUIRE, LMSW - AISD
- HOMELESS / FOSTER SUPPORT - DARRIN COX - AISD
- COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS - JUSTIN WHITELEY
- ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY - CANDACE AGUIRRE

1:45 SUCCESS THROUGH COMMUNITY

- SUPPORTING FOSTER FAMILIES - ERIN MILLS - FOSTER 325
- EQUIPPING FAMILIES - BRIEANNA VINE - METHODIST CHILDRENS HOME
- KINSHIP PLACEMENTS - CHANEL SHARP- 2INGAGE
- CASA CONNECTION - REBEL TAYLOR - BIG COUNTRY CASA

2:30 BREAK

2:45 PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS - PANEL: MODERATOR - JUDGE APRIL PROPST

- RIZAE ALMAGUER - FORMER FOSTER YOUTH
- KATE NICHOLSON - SUCCESSFUL REUNIFICATION FAMILY
- _____ - SUCCESSFUL KINSHIP PLACEMENT
- AMBER DRENNAN - ATTORNEY AT LAW - PARENTS
- CLAIRE MEHAFFEY - ATTORNEY AT LAW - CHILDREN

3:45 ZOE MCQUEEN AND JEANNETTE MCQUEEN
"MY JOURNEY THROUGH THE SYSTEM"

4:05 DISMISSED



LOCATION

Beltway Park North
2850 FM 351
Abilene, TX

SCHEDULE:

Doors Open @ 8:00 am
Sessions begin @ 8:45
15-min break @ 10:00

Lunch Break
11:45- 12:55
(Lunch options close by)

Afternoon Sessions
@ 1 pm
15-min break @ 2:30

Concludes @ 4:00 pm

OPEN TO:

Legal Professionals
Social Workers
Teachers
Law Enforcement
CASA

Occupations Dealing in
Child Welfare or with
At-Risk Youth

CLE & PD CEU
For most professions

**Pre-Registration
not required**