

## Project Development Committee - Staff Reports

Tab 10

### Background:

Staff will provide updates to the Project Development Committee members regarding Public Information activities, the status of new or recently approved projects, and projected available funds. Meeting materials include the following written information for your review prior to the meeting:

- TCDD Projects Training Schedule – This calendar of training events planned by TCDD grant projects during the next six months is included as general information for Committee and Council members.
- Grant Project Highlights – The quarterly Grant Project Highlights Report is enclosed for review by Committee members. This report provides highlights of grantee accomplishments for a number of current TCDD funded projects. Different grantees are highlighted each quarter.

Staff may also refer to the following printed materials, found behind other Tabs:

- Public Information Report - This quarterly report includes recent public information staff activities related to creating awareness and building connections. Tab 15
- TCDD Quarterly Financial Report – This report summarizes TCDD’s budget and expenditures and is used to determine the projected available funds. Tab 6

TCDD staff may also provide updates to the Committee of other achievements or items of concern.

**Project Development  
Committee**

**Agenda Item 6.**

**Expected Action:**

No action is anticipated; information item only.

**Council**

**Agenda Item 15. A.**

**Expected Action:**

The Council will review discussions on this item. No action is anticipated.

# TCDD Projects' Training Schedule

October 2012 – March 2013

**October**

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| <b>3</b> | <b>Region 17 Education Service Center</b><br>Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies – Impacting Disproportionality<br>Living on the Edge: Opening Eyes to the Human Cost of Poverty<br>Lubbock ISD Administration Building<br>1628 19 <sup>th</sup> Street (Lubbock)<br>1:00pm-4:00pm<br>Contact Val Meixner at (806) 281-5879<br>Open to Lubbock ISD administrators only<br>Free |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Brighton Center</b><br>Building Bridges Curriculum: Special Education Law<br>Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training<br>One for Autism (Class 2 of 4)<br>265 E. Lullwood (San Antonio)<br>6:30pm-8:00pm<br>Contact PALS Coordinator at (210) 826-4492<br>Open to Public – Limited to 15 participants<br>Free   |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Brighton Center</b><br>Building Bridges Curriculum: Special Education Law<br>Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training<br>New Braunfels Kids Club (Class 2 of 4)<br>169 South Hickory (New Braunfels)<br>6:30pm-8:00pm<br>Contact PALS Coordinator at (210) 826-4492<br>Open to Public<br>Free   |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Paso del Norte Children's Development Center</b><br>Advocacy<br>Paso del Norte Children's Development Center<br>1101 E. Schuster Ave. (El Paso)<br>10:00am-12:00pm<br>Contact Tania Alvarez at (915) 544-8484 ext. 201<br>Open to the Public<br>Free  |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Any Baby Can of San Antonio</b><br>Health & Fitness<br>Community Exercise Class<br>Main Plaza Conservancy<br>111 Soledad Street (San Antonio)<br>9:00am-10:00am<br>Contact Alfred Chavira at (210) 227-0170<br>Open to the Public<br>Free   |

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**October**

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Get FIT Workshop  
Epilepsy Foundation  
2630 Fountain View, Suite 210 (Houston)  
6:00pm-8:00pm  
Contact Shannon Harlan at (713) 789-6295  
Open to Individuals with Disabilities ages 18 and up  
Free
- 9**      **Brighton Center**  
ARD Clinic: Special Education 101  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Arc of San Antonio  
13430 West Ave. (San Antonio)  
9:00am-11:00am  
Contact Dot O'Donnell at (210) 826-4492  
Open to Public  
Free
- 10-11**      **Arc of Texas**  
PATH (Planning Alternative Tomorrows with Hope) Training  
Old Socorro ISD Admin Building  
12300 East Lake (El Paso)  
9:00am-4:00pm  
Contact Amy Stabeno (512) 454-6694 ext. 7753  
Open to Public – Registration Required  
Cost: \$250 or \$50 with stipend
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- 11-13 Any Baby Can of San Antonio**  
Health & Fitness  
Texas State Autism Conference presentation, "Visual Supports to Increase Health & Wellness for Unique Learners"  
Austin Convention Center  
500 East Cesar Chavez (Austin)  
7:00am-5:00pm  
Contact Alfred Chavira at (210) 227-0170  
Open to the Public – Registration Required  
Cost: Professional: \$160 (Onsite \$210)  
Parent: \$125 – Stipends available through application (Onsite \$175)  
Student with ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) \$50 (Onsite \$60)
- 13 Region 19 Education Service Center**  
Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Expansion  
Mentor and Facilitator Training for YLF Weekend  
Education Service Center 19  
6611 Boeing Drive (El Paso)  
9:00am-2:00pm  
Contact Rick Razo at (915) 780-5091  
Open to Accepted Applicants only  
Free
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Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Cardenas Head Start (Class 1 of 4)  
3300 Ruiz St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
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- 17 Brighton Center**  
Building Bridges Curriculum: Developing Advocacy Skills  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Burlison Head Start (Class 1 of 4)  
4415 Monterrey St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
Contact PALS Coordinator at (210) 826-4492  
Closed to Edgewood ISD Families  
Free
- 17 OneStar Foundation**  
Inclusive Faith-based Communities Symposium  
Dell Jewish Community Center  
7300 Hart Lane (Austin)  
9:00am-3:00pm  
Contact: Suzanne Potts at (512) 287-2043  
Free to the Public (Space is Limited)  
Registration: <http://www.tfaforms.com/254222>  
Registration will close at 5pm Monday October 2, 2012
- 18 Any Baby Can of San Antonio**  
Health & Fitness  
Community Exercise Class  
San Antonio Parks & Recreation  
114 West Commerce Street (San Antonio)  
7:00pm-8:00pm  
Contact Alfred Chavira at (210) 227-0170  
Open to the Public  
Free
- 18 Brighton Center**  
Building Bridges Curriculum: Developing Advocacy Skills  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Stafford Head Start (Class 1 of 4)  
611 SW. 36<sup>th</sup> St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
Contact PALS Coordinator at (210) 826-4492  
Closed to Edgewood ISD Families  
Free
- 18 Brighton Center**  
Building Bridges Curriculum: The ARD Process (Evaluation, IEP, Placement)  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
One for Autism (Class 4 of 4)  
265 E. Lullwood (San Antonio)  
6:30pm-8:00pm  
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Open to Public – Limited to 15 participants  
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3300 Ruiz St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
Contact PALS Coordinator at (210) 826-4492  
Closed to Edgewood ISD Families  
Free
- 18 VSA Arts of Texas**  
Arts and Disability Discussion Group  
3701 Guadalupe St. (Austin)  
11:30am-1:00pm  
Contact April Sullivan at (512) 323-6626 or [april@vsatx.org](mailto:april@vsatx.org)  
Open to the Public – RSVP required  
Free
- 20 Texas Parent to Parent**  
Public Policy Collaboration  
Texas Parent to Parent Advocacy Network Training on Legislative Advocacy  
Chase Oaks Church  
281 Legacy Drive (Plano)  
9:00am-4:00pm  
Contact Linda Litzinger at (512) 922-3810 or  
[www.txp2p.org/training/registerfortraining.html](http://www.txp2p.org/training/registerfortraining.html)  
Open to Self-Advocates, Teens, Young Adults, Family Members and Professionals  
Free – Registration Preferred
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Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies – Impacting Disproportionality  
Living on the Edge: Opening Eyes to the Human Cost of Poverty  
Lubbock ISD Administration Building  
1628 19<sup>th</sup> Street (Lubbock)  
9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-4:00pm  
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- 24 Brighton Center**  
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Free
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Free
- 26 Paso del Norte Children's Development Center**  
Parenting a Child with Special Needs  
Presenter: Tania Alvarez-Soltero  
Paso del Norte Children's Development Center  
1101 E. Schuster Ave. (El Paso)  
10:00am-12:00pm  
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Open to the Public  
Free

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**TBD Brighton Center**  
Self-Determination Training  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Edgewood ISD  
4415 Monterrey St. (San Antonio)  
Time TBD  
Contact Dot O'Donnell at (210) 826-4492  
Closed  
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Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Expansion  
Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) Weekend Forum  
Hilton Inn and Garden Hotel  
111 West University (El Paso)  
8:00am-10:00pm  
Contact Rick Razo at (915) 780-5091  
Open to People with Disabilities Ages 16-21  
Free
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- 16**      **Paso del Norte Children’s Development Center**  
Be Prepared: Tips on Communicating with Legislators  
Paso del Norte Children’s Development Center  
1101 E. Schuster Ave. (El Paso)  
10:00am-12:00pm  
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From Emotions to Advocacy  
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Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Expansion  
From Student-led IEPs and Self-Advocacy to Individualized Employment  
Education Service Center 19  
6611 Boeing Drive (El Paso)  
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People First Language  
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## January

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How to Create Portfolios for Children with Special Needs  
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Paso del Norte Children's Development Center  
1101 E. Schuster Ave. (El Paso)  
10:00am-12:00pm  
Contact Tania Alvarez at (915) 544-8484 ext. 201  
Open to the Public  
Free

**February**

**2 Any Baby Can of San Antonio**  
Health & Fitness  
Community Exercise Class  
Main Plaza Conservancy  
111 Soledad Street (San Antonio)  
9:00am-10:00am  
Contact Alfred Chavira at (210) 227-0170  
Open to the Public  
Free

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**February**

- 4 Brighton Center**  
ARD Clinic: Positive Behavior Intervention  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Cardenas Head Start  
3300 Ruiz St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
Contact Pat O'Donnell at (210) 826-4492  
Open to the Public  
Free
- 5 Brighton Center**  
ARD Clinic: Positive Behavior Intervention  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Burluson Head Start  
4415 Monterrey St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
Contact Pat O'Donnell at (210) 826-4492  
Open to the Public  
Free
- 6 Brighton Center**  
ARD Clinic: Positive Behavior Intervention  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Stafford Head Start  
611 SW 36<sup>th</sup> St. (San Antonio)  
8:30am-10:30am  
Contact Pat O'Donnell at (210) 826-4492  
Open to the Public  
Free
- 7 Region 19 Education Service Center**  
Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Expansion  
Border Conference on Special Education  
Education Service Center 19  
6611 Boeing Drive (El Paso)  
8:00am-2:00pm  
Contact Rick Razo at (915) 780-5091  
By Invitation Only  
Free
- 7-8 Arc of Texas**  
Texas Microboard Collaboration  
20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Inclusion Works! Conference  
Renaissance Hotel, 9721 Arboretum Boulevard (Austin)  
8:00am-4:00pm  
Contact Rona Statman at (512) 454-6694  
Open to the Public – Registration Required  
Cost: To Be Determined

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- 12**      **Brighton Center**  
ARD Clinic: TBA  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
Arc of San Antonio  
13430 West Ave. (San Antonio)  
9:00am-11:00am  
Contact Pat O'Donnell at (210) 826-4492  
Open to the Public  
Free
- 22**      **Paso del Norte Children's Development Center**  
Adaptations, Accommodations, and Modifications for Children with Special Needs  
Presenter: Tania Alvarez-Soltero  
Paso del Norte Children's Development Center  
1101 E. Schuster Ave. (El Paso)  
10:00am-12:00pm  
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Open to the Public  
Free
- TBD**      **Brighton Center**  
Building Bridges Curriculum: Developing Advocacy Skills  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
One for Autism (Class 1 of 4)  
265 E. Lullwood (San Antonio)  
6:30pm-8:00pm  
Contact PALS Coordinator at (210) 826-4492  
Open to the Public – Limited to 15 participants  
Free
- TBD**      **Brighton Center**  
Building Bridges Curriculum: Special Education Law  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
One for Autism (Class 2 of 4)  
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- TBD**      **Brighton Center**  
Building Bridges Curriculum: The Pre-ARD (Effective Communication)  
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**TBD**

**Brighton Center**

Building Bridges Curriculum: The ARD Process (Evaluation, IEP, Placement)  
Parents Alliance for Learning and Support (PALS) Advocacy Training  
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**March**

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**Region 19 Education Service Center**

Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Expansion  
Post-Secondary Education and Assistive Technology – El Paso Community  
El Paso Community College – Valle Verde Campus  
919 Hunter Drive (El Paso)  
9:00am-2:00pm  
Contact Rick Razo at (915) 780-5091  
Open to People with Disabilities Ages 16-21  
Free

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Parenting a Child with Special Needs  
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**TCDD Higher Education Project Highlights  
October 2012**

**Higher Education for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities**

**RFP Intent:** To demonstrate how appropriate supports may help individuals with developmental disabilities complete post-secondary education and achieve employment goals. TCDD seeks to develop, demonstrate, and evaluate inclusive models of post-secondary education through which students with disabilities receive support to succeed in college, university, and/or vocational/technical programs.

**Grantee: Department of Assistive & Rehabilitative Services (DARS)**

Project Title: Project HIRE (Helping Individuals Reach Employment)  
Project Location: McAllen, TX

Year: 2 of 5  
TCDD Budgeted: \$225,000

**Accomplishments:**

- Contracts were executed with key partners and consultants were hired;
- The PAC, with national experts, developed an application process and scoring mechanism;
- Assistive technology evaluations were conducted for each of 6 participants and 6 alternates; and
- Project HIRE has garnered a great deal of publicity and social media attention.

**Sustainability:** Project leaders believe the culture at South Texas College will change dramatically with respect to how students with disabilities are served as a direct result of this project. After grant funding ends, DARS will take the lead role to support continuation for at least 5 years. A successful project will encourage replication and local support.

**Products:** Project HIRE brochure received and approved February 2012.

**Grantee: Texas Tech University**

Project Title: Project CASE (Connections for Academic Success & Employment)  
Project Location: Lubbock, TX

Year: 1 of 5  
TCDD Budgeted: \$217,079

**Accomplishments:**

- Contracts were executed with key partners and consultants were hired;
- The project co-sponsored an Employer Forum from which a list of potential business partners for student internships and, eventually, competitive employment was developed; and
- To date, 7 participants are enrolled at Texas Tech University (TTU), and a total of 7 more are enrolled at 3 different South Plains College (SPC) campuses.

**Sustainability:** Project CASE, housed within the Burkhart Center for Autism Education and Research, is working to build the capacity of TTU and SPC to utilize a wraparound planning approach with students with developmental disabilities. Additional opportunities for funding will be sought, but more importantly, the project will strive to institutionalize this approach.

**Products:** None

**Grantee: Texas A&M University**

Project Title: Bridge to Career in Human Service  
Project Location: Statewide

Year: 2 of 5  
TCDD Budgeted: \$225,000

**Accomplishments:**

- Recruitment activities provided to 1190 students, parents, counselors, administrators, and educators;
- More than 20 applications were submitted: 9 were interviewed and 8 admitted into the program; and
- Student assessments, wrap-around service meetings, housing contracts, summer training agenda and timeline, curriculum determination and a project website update have all been completed.

**Sustainability:** The pooling of resources as described in the workplan means more services can be provided, more youth can be served, and less duplication of services and efforts will take place. The established Texas A&M Center on Disability Development network provides a foundation to support continued collaborations.

**Products:** Project website: <http://b2c.tamu.edu/>