



Drop in the chat: Name & organization

Austin/Travis County 2-Gen Coalition Stakeholder network

March 31, 2021



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Let's Connect!



**Drop a pin where you were born,
please share in the chat
something about where you were
born.**

Meeting goals

- Share updates on our work to achieve economic stability for all families
- Discuss social capital and explore the idea of peer-to-peer groups
- Learn about exciting new initiatives and organizations
- Connect with peers to generate energy and hope

Agenda

- Welcome, Grounding Our Work
- Social Capital and Peer to peer discussion
- Presentation from Dream Foundation program
- Presentation form the Fatherhood grant
- Updates

Overall Vision of Family Pathways

- More parents attain economic stability
- More organizations are family focused

Let's rebuild better

- If we want to build back better, we have to recognize unique needs of parents.
- Our strategic plan =guide to expanding 2-Gen model to serve parents and their children
- RFP will be issued in the fall



2-Gen Coalition Members Role

- Stay up to date on strategic plan implementation;
- Support implementation of Plan strategies relevant to your work;
- Monitor our progress toward community goals;
- Build and sustain relationships across sectors to forward common goals;
- Learn from each other (best practices, common struggles, etc.);

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Social Capital and peer-to-peer groups

Social Capital

Connections, networks, or relationships among people AND the value that arises from them that can be accessed or mobilized to help individuals to succeed.

Produces information, emotional and financial support and other resources.



The concept: Peer-to-peer groups



- A peer group is a social group that consists of individuals who share similar interests and are close in age.
- We piloted virtual groups led by parent leaders from our Link-Up groups.
- We had 5 groups from May 2020 to December 2020. 4 groups with moms and one with fathers

Peer-to-peer groups

- Parent leaders from the Link-Up groups
 - recruited the participants from their peers (usually via social media)
 - developed a set of goals, the structure and activities for the meetings, and led the virtual sessions.
- Parents and participants were compensated for their involvement
- We collected data through pre/post surveys

Peer-to-peer groups Benefits

Parents:

- Support during COVID-19 isolation & provides mental health support
- Social activities and events to bring families together, raise awareness, or offer educational opportunities.

Service Providers:

- Understand parent challenges and successes related to pathways to career and education
- System navigation to assist a family in accessing resources

Peer-to-peer groups: Our Proposal

- New peer-to-peer groups formed from parents in your organizations
- Parents from the link-up group and family leadership council lead the groups
- Family Pathways:
 - trains parent leaders and pays them a stipend
 - trains organization liaison
 - convenes monthly meetings
 - Collects & analyzes data and shares findings with participant organizations
- Intentional effort to share health resources & serve as mental health support for parents

Discussion About Peer to Peer Groups



- *What possibilities might a group like this open up for the families you serve?*
- *What might a group like this achieve that is not currently happening?*
- *Would your organization participate? If no- why not or what would make it worth doing?*

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Partner presentations

Dream Come True Foundation



Bob Riazzi, Executive Director

Fatherhood Grant



Rebecca Elizondo
Senior Program Director



Parenting Workshops



Career Case Management



Career Training Certifications



Financial Literacy Training



Internship Opportunities



Financial Support Services



Job Search Assistance



Pre-K Sign-ups

REGISTER NOW FOR PRE-K
(for the 2020-2021 School Year)

BIG DREAMERS
start small



[Register your child for Pre-K3 or Pre-K4](#)

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Updates

Family Pathways Team

Francisco Gallegos

Family Pathways PACES Coordinator



Natalie Obregon

Family Pathways Coordinator



Esmeralda Chavez

Family Pathways Advance Together
Coordinator



2021 Action Plan



Overarching Systems Change



Educational Success



Health and Well-being



Social Capital



Financial Security

Equity

Undocumented families

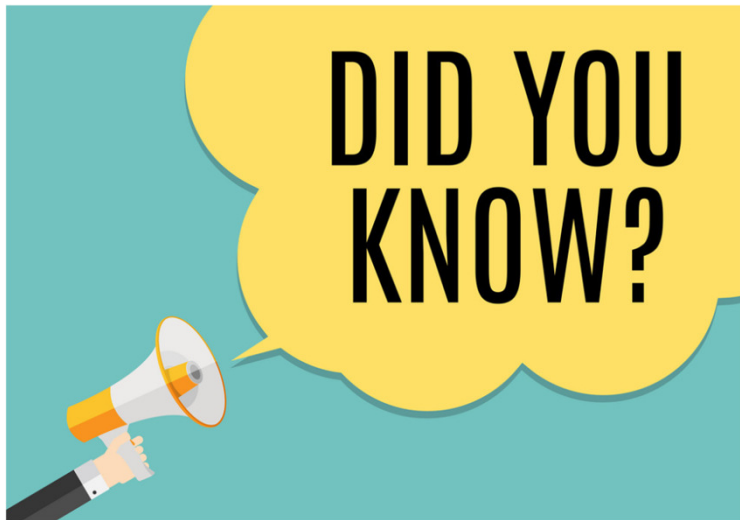
New Funding

Data & Technical assistance

Student parents

Asset building

American Rescue Plan



The American rescue plan includes a stimulus check, fully refundable child credit, expanded EITC & SNAP and much more!!

Want to know how families in your program can access the resources?

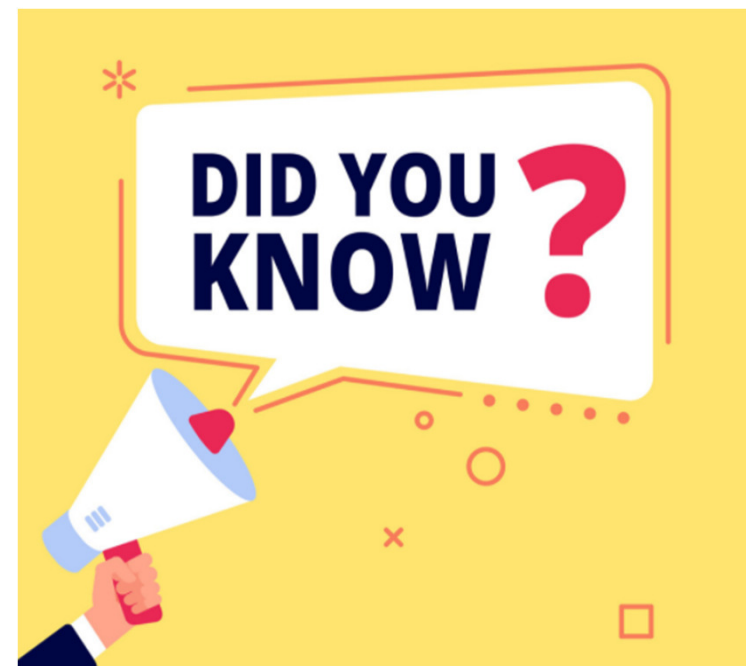
Email Francisco.Gallegos@uwatx.org to set up a training!

Expanding Opportunities for Young Families

Young Parents ages 18-27 can access free training, laptop, child care during training, stipends and more supports?

Want to know how families in your program can access the resources?

Email Natalie.obregon@uwatx.org to learn more!





<https://www.speakupaustin.org/digital-access-tara>

It's poll time!



HOW ARE **WE** DOING?



SURVEY

Wrap Up

- Thank you!
- Future meeting dates are listed in MissionBox – please RSVP!
 - *Q2 2-Gen Coalition Stakeholder meeting July 14, 2021*
 - *Q3 2-Gen Coalition Stakeholder meeting September 29, 2021*
 - *Q4 2-Gen Coalition Stakeholder meeting December 15, 2021*

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Thank you.

ConnectATX

<https://www.unitedwayaustin.org/connectatx/>

Schedule a 1:1 meeting with your community engagement team



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Join a training/ tell a colleague [ConnectATX | United Way For Greater Austin \(unitedwayaustin.org\)](https://www.unitedwayaustin.org/connectatx/)



Immigration

American Gateways: Support Available for DACA and TPS



American Gateways is offering:

- Free legal clinics for DACA initial and DACA renewal applications
- Assistance filing Temporary Protected Status - Venezuela & Burma (Myanmar)
- Renewal for filing Temporary Protected Status - Syria

For services please contact American Gateways at 512-478-0546 x200, Monday-Thursday, from 9AM-12PM

Casa Marianella: Support Available for Citizenship Applications



Casa Marianella received a grant from the City of Austin to help residents of Austin and Travis County apply for citizenship.

If you are eligible and if you live in Austin or Travis County, it's possible Casa Marianella will be able to help you with the application process.

If you would like to discuss your eligibility for citizenship, you can email Sarah Woelk at swoelk@casamarianella.org or call 512-385-5571.



2021 Austin winter storm recovery resources



Learn more and apply here / Aprende más y aplica aquí:
<http://www.austintexas.gov/HomeRepairs>



www.disasterassistance.gov
Download the FEMA app
Call 1-800-621-3362
If you are uninsured, apply online at [disasterassistance.gov](http://www.disasterassistance.gov)
If you have insurance, file a claim with them first and then apply to FEMA

A poster for Texas RioGrande Legal Aid. It has a dark blue background with white and yellow text. The left side lists services in English: "Texas RioGrande Legal Aid provides free legal services for eligible residents in 68 counties across Southwest Texas to help with disaster recovery issues such as:" followed by a list of issues including FEMA assistance, public benefits, housing issues, contractor fraud, and insurance problems. The right side provides the same information in Spanish. At the bottom right, it includes the phone number 1-888-988-9996, the hours Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm CST, the website www.trla.org/disaster, and the TRLA logo.

Learn more here / Aprende más aquí:
<https://www.trla.org/disaster>



Rent Resources

- [City of Austin Rent Assistance Program](#)
- [The Tenant Based Rental Assistance \(TBRA\) Program](#). For more information on the TBRA program, visit the [HACA website](#) or call(512477-1314)
- [Travis County Family Support Services](#)
- [Catholic Charities of Central Texas](#) (512) 651-6100
- [St. Matthew's Episcopal Church](#) (512) 345-8314
- [St. Vincent de Paul, St. Austin's Catholic Church](#) (512) 477-9471
- [Austin Resource Center for the Homeless, Inc. \(ARCH\)](#) (512) 305-4100
- [Travis County Family Support Services Division](#) (512) 267-3245
- [Texas Health and Human Services Department \(HHSD\)](#) Dial 2-1-1 or (877)-541-7905

Digital Skills

- Computer fundamentals: [Austin Free Net](#) and [here](#)
- Training on different platforms:
 - [AISD website](#) and [YouTube channel](#)
 - Google classroom, zoom, CANVAS, SeeSaw tutorials can be found [here](#)
 - Classes for parents [El Buen](#), [APL](#), [Goodwill](#), and [Austin Free Net](#)

Middle skills job training

- Tuesday, April 6
- **IBM** will share their new IBM SkillsBuild platform for workers
- **Austin Community College, edOpp Solutions, New Apprenticeship, and Tech Talent South** will join us to talk about **RE:WorkNOW**, a new rapid retraining program for Austin/Travis County residents to enter in-demand careers!
- Sing-up [here](#)

Financial Empowerment trainings

- **[Where to find Better Short-Term Loans](#)** webinar (March 23, 2021). Slides and the recording are available. Click **[HERE](#)**.
- **[Winter Storm Recovery Webinar](#)** (February 26, 2021)
This webinar addressed applying for FEMA, filing insurance claims, asserting renter's rights and helping community members navigate post-storm recovery. Find recovery resources **[here](#)**.

Financial Empowerment trainings

The Starting Point, the "Prosperity Wellness Circle" - A Journey Toward Overall Financial and Personal Wellness. Register [here](#)

- **March 31, 2021** Session #1 - Establishing a Foundation for Engagement and Receptive Mindsets Building the core elements of your financial wellness and wealth creation plan.
- **April 15, 2021** Session #2 - Don't Sell Grandma's House: Retaining family assets
- **April 29, 2021** Session #3 - What You Know and Needs to Know: Long-Term Financial Planning. Understanding your long-term income stream(s). Establishing your individual and family financial wellness plan(s) to include, personal investment and wealth creation strategies. Protecting your values, assets, and wealth.
- **May 13, 2021** Session #4 - Safe and Secure: Protecting Your Mindset and Assets - Building a Sustainable Financial Future. Decision making in crisis and defining our housing and financial goals, plans and objectives.

Laptops

- For the City's Community PC Program, you can submit requests at <https://airtable.com/shrk6TbOmVm4VyOe6>
- Waiting list open <https://www.revivn.com/communities>
- **PCs for People (Laptops and hotspots):**
<https://pcsrefurbished.com/sales/salesHome.aspx>
 - Nonprofits may call 651-354-2552 or email sales@pcsforpeople.com if more devices are needed.
- **Tech Soup-** Hotspots for nonprofits <https://www.techsoup.org/>

Low-Cost Internet

EveryoneOn:

Text “Connect” to 21-545

Call **877-947-4321**

Go to: <https://www.everyoneon.org/find-offers>

- Type in your home zip code and click on the button “Find Internet and Computer Options”
- Select any of the items that you qualify for in the “Do any of these apply to you” section,
- May require a one-time purchase of a modem
- No contract, usually about \$10 per month

everyoneon.org

Low-Cost Internet

Access from AT&T: Call **855-220-5211** or Go to:

<https://www.att.com/shop/internet/access>



- At least one resident in the household must participate in the U.S. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Internet Access with no long-term contract.
- Receive an in-home Wi-Fi gateway and access to the entire national AT&T Wi-Fi Hotspot network at no additional cost.
- Service is usually **\$5-\$10** per month, depending on the speed in that area
- The form will ask you for your mailing address, last four digits of your social security number & photo of your SNAP card to upload (both sides!)

Low-Cost Internet

Google Fiber: You can also call **866-777-7550 24/7** or **833-813-5283 (8am-5pm)** or visit: <https://fiber.google.com/about/> to determine whether low-cost internet is available in your area.

(HACA Properties with free Google Fiber 1G service: Booker T. Washington, Bouldin Oaks, Chalmers Courts - South & East, Goodrich, Manchaca Village, Manchaca II, Meadowbrook, Salina, Shadowbend)



Low-Cost Internet

Spectrum Internet Assist: 1-844-525-1574 or go to

<https://www.spectrum.com/browse/content/spectrum-internet-assist.html>.

*This offer is not available to current internet subscribers. Low-cost 30 Mbps high-speed internet **\$17.99/mo** with no contracts and no data cap.*

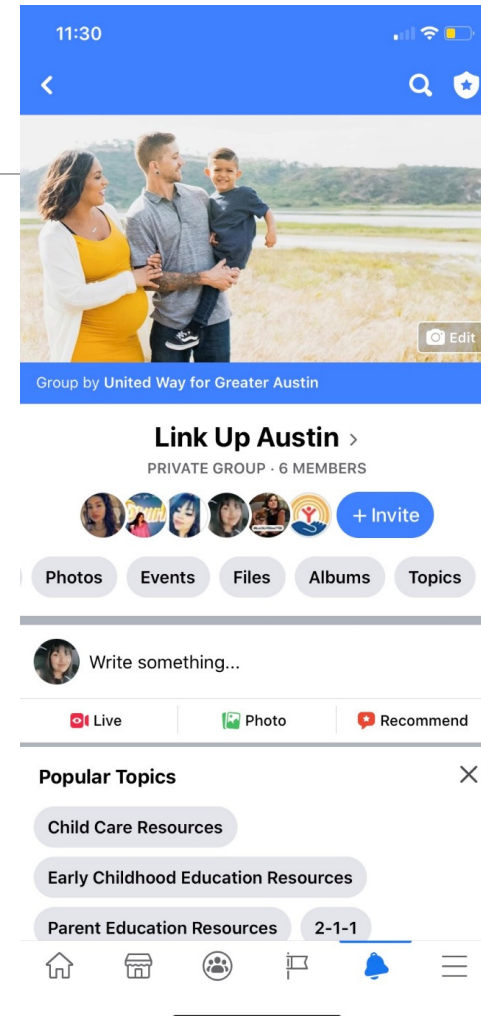
To qualify for Spectrum Internet Assist, a member of your household must be a recipient of one of the following programs:

- The National School Lunch Program or reduced cost lunch
- The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)
- Supplemental Security Income (over age 65 only)



Facebook Page for Young Parents

- Link Up Austin
- Young parents 18-24
- Resources for young parents
- Connection with other parents



On the Road Lending



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LENDING

AFFORDABLE LOANS FOR RELIABLE CARS

website at www.ontheroadlending.org and apply [here](#)