

El Dorado County Commission for Youth and Families

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As far as learning went, there wasn't a whole lot of that. I never was able to stay in one spot for one full school year, until 7th grade. Really didn't even learn to read until about 6th, 7th grade.

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El Dorado County Commission for Youth and Families: Problem, Impact and Purpose

Problem Statement

El Dorado County partners **lack the centralized communication and data systems** necessary to provide the comprehensive, coordinated service level needed to maximize the positive impact for all young people and their families.

Intended Impact

By 2023, El Dorado County partners will **consistently use an integrated, transparent, and data-driven system of services** to ensure all young people have access to the social, emotional, educational, and/or health services they need.

Statement of Purpose

All County partners **commit to working together to establish an integrated, transparent, and data-driven system of services** so that the burden of navigating across partners is on the system itself rather than on young people and their families. This will ensure that every door is the right door for a child or family in need of services.

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El Dorado County Commission for Youth and Families: Accomplishments and Findings

Accomplishments:

- Formalized Commission membership and selected alternates
- Formalized the Commission's meeting calendar
- Gathered and reviewed existing state/county reports, plans and other documents for improving the lives of children and families to identify existing trends and gaps.
- Collected and evaluated data related to youth and families.

Findings:

Although continuous improvement and evolution of interventions is always warranted, El Dorado County data shows strengths in the areas of education, child welfare services, and youth probation.

The Commission identified several areas where improved access to and provision of service should be considered for targeted intervention, including the areas of behavioral health, domestic violence, and substance use disorders.

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El Dorado County Commission for Youth and Families: Next Steps

Seeking to ensure our County has a Commission that oversees all children in the county, is part of our infrastructure and can sustain despite staff turnover, political change and the economy. This can be achieved by:

1. Funding Commission staff
2. Establishing a countywide, “Children’s Dashboard”
3. Adopting an electronic referral system
4. Convening community members for continuous improvement