



**The Timothy Montoya Task Force To Prevent Children From Running Away From Out-Of-Home Placement**

September 4th, 2024, 8:00 am-11:00 am Virtual Meeting (Zoom)  
Facilitators: Keystone Policy Center (Trace Faust & Doris Tolliver)  
Members: See Appendix A

<p>Welcome &amp; Approval of Minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task force Vice Chair Beth McNalley welcomed the task force. She asked for approval of the August 6th recap. Lynette Overmeyer motioned; Becky Miller Updike seconded. The recap was approved. Beth asked for approval of the August 6th minutes. Anna Cole motioned; Ashley Chase seconded. The minutes were approved. Beth asked for approval of the August 14th recap. Lynette motioned; Anna seconded. The recap was approved. Beth finally asked for approval of the August 14th minutes. Ashley motioned; Lynette seconded. The minutes were approved.</li> </ul>
<p>Discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trace Faust welcomed the group and explained the agenda of the final meeting. The final report will be released to the task force prior to release to the public. They also said that they will review the survey results and then offer an opportunity for task force members to comment.</li> <li>Trace electronically displayed the <a href="#">survey results</a>.</li> <li>David Lee asked a clarifying question about the abstentions.</li> <li>Becky Miller Updike asked who abstained; Trace said that the CDHS task force members abstained and that these members also provided a letter explaining their abstention to be included in the final report.</li> <li>Trace asked for comments.</li> <li>Lynette Overmeyer said that the top reason for declining placement is elopement so she hopes that placements can feel more supported in taking in children; she is hopeful. Trace thanked her.</li> <li>Ashley Chase said that she expects people to be very impressed with the task forces' work. Trace thanked her.</li> <li>Beth said that these recommendations will directly help the work she is doing so she is also hopeful. Trace thanked her.</li> <li>Lynette said that the risk criteria and making plans for youth is the biggest step of all.</li> <li>Elizabeth Montoya said that she is feeling hopeful, especially about the standardized response and risk criteria. She said she is very thankful for the task force. Trace thanked her.</li> <li>Trace asked for any last comments.</li> <li>Ashley commended the facilitation of the task force. Trace thanked her.</li> <li>Becky Miller Updike also commended the facilitation of the task force and also thanked everyone. Trace thanked her.</li> <li>Lynette said that it was an honor to be on the task force. Doris thanked her.</li> <li>Brian Cotter said that he appreciated working with a diverse group as well as focusing on preventing runs. Trace thanked him.</li> <li>Doris said that she appreciated the task forces' ability to push each other.</li> <li>Trace thanked the task forces' differing perspectives.</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Norma Aguilar Dave said that this task force has been very collaborative and she appreciates everyone. Trace thanked her.</li> </ul>
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No public comment.</li> </ul>
Next Steps and Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trace closed out the final meeting.</li> </ul>

**Appendix A:**

- Beth McNalley
- Becky Miller Updike
- David Lee
- Anna Cole
- Lynette Overmeyer
- Ashley Chase
- Brian Cotter
- Elizabeth Montoya
- Renee Marquardt
- Dennis Desparrois
- Jana Zinser
- Norma Aguilar Dave
- Kelly Abbott
- Brandon Miller