

ALLIANCE FOR KIDS COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

ALLIANCE FOR KIDS, EL PASO COUNTY'S EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL

The Alliance for Kids Council brings agencies and individuals together to work collaboratively on a seamless system of care for young children and their families in El Paso County. The Council engages community partners in an open coalition framework to make decisions, implement new programs, and produce positive outcomes for young children and their families. Council subcommittees of Learning + Development, Health + Well-Being, and Family Support + Education are where organization representatives and individuals meet regularly to further the work of the Council in each area.

ROLE ON COUNCIL	MEMBER NAME	ORGANIZATION (IF APPROPRIATE)
One of two duly elected Council Co-Chairs (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Liz Denson	Early Connections Learning Centers
One of two duly elected Council Co-Chairs (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Laurie Noblitt	Fountain-Fort Carson School District 8
Past Co-Chair (also meets the requirement for additional Council seat)	Yesenia Torres	El Paso County Department of Human Services
Early Care and Education (Required by Legislation)	Eryn Weems	Mountain Willow Montessori Community-Based Program with less than 20 FTE
Family Support and Parent Education Services (Required by Legislation)	Elizabeth Quevedo	Pikes Peak United Way
Health Care Entity (Required by Legislation)	Jennifer Mussaw	El Paso County Public Health
Local Government (Required by Legislation)	Sophia Horne	Department of Human Services
Mental Health Care (Required by Legislation)	Lori Ganz	The Resource Exchange
Parent (Child five years of age or younger) (Required by Legislation)	VACANT	



Resource and Referral Agency (Required by Legislation)	Shay Almonte	Joint Initiatives for Youth + Families
One Co-Chair of Each Standing Committee - Public Policy	Melissa Gibson-Steiner	School District 38
One Co-Chair of Each Standing Committee - Workforce Taskforce	Toya Graham	Pikes Peak Workforce Center
One Co-Chair of Each Standing Committee - Mental Health	Lori Ganz	The Resource Exchange
Head Start Grantee/Policy Council	Donna Garcia	CPCD giving children a head start
Faith-Based Agency	Deanna Hunt	Catholic Charities of Central Colorado
Family Child Care Provider	Polly Doering	Polly's Preschool
Family Child Care Provider	Alma Wiley	Pikes Peak Region Family Child Care Association
Fiscal Agent	SherryLynn Boyles	Joint Initiatives for Youth + Families
Higher Education Institution	Althea Jordan	Pikes Peak State College
Military Family/ Care Entity	VACANT	
Workforce Organization	Toya Graham	Pikes Peak Workforce Center
Community Representative (Representative of business, economic development, community centers, libraries, etc.)	Anthony Adams	Nursing and Therapy Services of Colorado (NTSOC): Business Development Specialist
Community Representative (Representative of business, economic development, community centers, libraries, etc.)	Dwanette Martinez	Migrant Education Program: Southeast Region
Community Representative (Representative of business, economic development, community centers,	Willyn Webb	Colorado Charter School Institute
libraries, etc.)		



School District Representative from Southeast Quadrant	Laurie Noblitt	School District 8
School District Representative from Northeast Quadrant	Shelley Ettleman	School District 22
School District Representative from Northwest Quadrant	Melissa Gibson-Steiner	School District 38
School District Representative from Southwest Quadrant	Sarah Carlson	School District 11

