

The TASC Connection



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TASC 2019 Conference - Updates

If you are attending the conference this year, please make note of the following:

1. You **MUST** download the Guidebook App to your phone or tablet in order to do most things conference related, including the conference evaluations. Use the link below for instructions on how to download the app.

<http://www.tasctx.org/conference.html>

2. You will receive your certificate after the conference based on the sessions for which you completed evaluations.

3. The evaluations will **ONLY** be available on



the App.

4. The Conference Journal will have a workshop schedule, but will not contain workshop descriptions or speaker information. All of that information will be available on the App.

5. We cannot wait to see the flags created by your teams!! They will be photographed and played on a slideshow

in the ballroom when there is not a presentation happening, and they will also be uploaded to the App for everyone to see!

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD TO YOUR TEAMS AND MARK YOUR ATTENDANCE ON THE FB EVENT POST FOR FUTURE INFORMATION!!



RISE19: NADCP Conference

NADCP is thrilled to announce RISE19, the world's largest conference on addiction, mental health and justice reform. It's the conference you know and love, with a new name, look and feel! Why "RISE," you ask? Our annual gathering is more than just an event or training, and this new name better captures its true essence. RISE is a movement: the uniting of forces, the making of a way forward. It's aspirational, uplifting, inclusive. It's about finding common ground and motivating a new way of thinking. How far we've come inspires us to see just how far we can go. Stay tuned: registration and housing will open soon! In the meantime, watch our promo video to see why you belong at RISE19, and explore the stunning new RISE19 website at <https://nadcpconference.org/>

Onward. Upward. RISE!

Mission:
 The Texas
 Association of
 Specialty Court
 Courts (TASC)
 builds and
 strengthens Texas
 specialty courts
 through
 collaboration,
 advocacy and
 education.

Special Recognition

City of Dallas Northeast Community Court Recognizes..

Cesar Villalobos is a 28 y/o Hispanic male who entered the NECC on 9/12/18. He received citations for no TX DL and public intoxication. Mr. Villalobos was also unemployed and reluctant about looking for a job. The SSC recommended, that he attend an APAA class and register with TWC. The SSC also provided Mr. Villalobos with job announcements. Mr. Villalobos completed his APAA class, TWC registration, and 64 community service hours. He graduated on 2/25/19.

Ariel Tulsie is a 25 y/o AA female who entered the NECC on 7/2/18 on a manifestation of prostitution citation. Ms. Tulsie realized the seriousness of the citation and was willing to cooperate as much as possible. The SSC was concerned about employment for Ms. Tulsie. The SSC provided Ms. Tulsie with job announcements even though she stated, that she worked as a beautician. Ms. Tulsie ended up getting a job with UPS. She completed her HOPE classes and 32 community service hours. Ms. Tulsie graduated on 1/2/19.

BJA Funding Opportunities

Applications are due April 16th. Check out all funding opportunities at www.bja.gov.

Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program

This program helps establish or enhance drug court services, to include coordination, management of drug court participants, and recovery support services.

Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court Planning, TTA, and Resource Center Initiative

Through this initiative, BJA seeks providers to support both Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court Program grantees.

Send Us Your Submissions!

We want to hear about what is going on in your county and courts, so send us your news! Do you have anyone you would like to recognize or is your court or program celebrating an anniversary? Or if you would like to write an article related to the field and work we do, we would

love to include it in our next newsletter. Please email submissions to Kimberly Duran at Kimberly.Duran@dallascourty.org



Sesame Street is Visiting El Paso

Children are the purest form of hope in the world. As much as this is true, adults have the responsibility of guiding them into becoming promising human beings and productive members of society. However, because these children live in toxic environments due to alcohol and substance abuse around their parents, siblings, aunts, uncles, etc., the environment becomes harmful and these experiences can change the course of a child's life. By guiding children with patience and care, these traumatic experiences can be lessened. These children need to learn how to cope with trauma at an early age. This can be accomplished through coping tactics and resilience-building techniques.

Judge Robert Anchondo, along with his team from El Paso DWI Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Program, have found a promising way to help children who have been negatively affected by trauma caused by alcoholism in their homes and upbringing. Judge Anchondo has implemented SESAME STREET in Communities® into his treatment program with hopes of helping participants' children cope with trauma. SESAME STREET in Communities® brings a whole new positive spectrum to the program by facilitating resources, strategies, and support for the treatment court.

The El Paso DWI Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Program is working alongside SESAME STREET in Communities® to foster participants' families and their children's resilience by assisting them with physical and mental health care and providing critical early learning opportunities.

SESAME STREET in Communities® offers a variety of bilingual tools to help children have positive brain development during the critical early years from birth through six years old. From developing learning skills, to learning how to cope when a parent has been sent away to prison, this program covers it all. These services will be provided to the children through 2love1, L.L.C. 2love1, L.L.C. has been partners with the El Paso DWI Drug Court Intervention and Treatment Program for six years and has been working extensively with the children and families for two years. The combined mission is to break the cycle of trauma, and alcoholism through implementing playful engagement using Sesame Street for education, connection and empowerment in healing.



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