

Wisconsin Integrated Transition Planning Project (WITPP): WI Transition Planning Coalition August 3, 2021



Our Agenda



- I. Welcome, Agenda Review and WITPP Implementation Timeline
- II. Bright Spot: Cynda Green with Texas Parent to Parent Transition Center
- III. Recap of WITPP Project Year
- IV. Breakout Discussions and Report Out
- V. Community Work Update
- VI. Next Steps and Wrap Up with Poll

Meeting Objectives



- Identify one message and one tool Parent to Parent Transition Center (P2P) in Texas uses to convey the concept of integrated transition planning
- Discuss elements from the Texas transition model to be considered for transition planning in Wisconsin
- Reflect on what you've learned from your participation in the planning grant that could lead to sustainable actions

WITP Project Timeline

Goal: To develop an Integrated Transition Pilot Plan for youth and adults with ID/DD

Nov-Dec

**Complete
Asset Inventory**

For the
Comprehensive
Review and
Analysis

January

**Identify
Community(ies)**

For the
Equity Action
Lab(s)

March

**Launch Equity
Action Lab(s)**

Advancing an
equity goal in
a measurable
way over 100
days

July

**Draft Integrated
Transition Plan**

Based on
Equity Action
Labs with
feedback from
the coalition

August

**Plan
Finalized**

Celebrate with
final WITPC
meeting



PATHWAYS TO ADULTHOOD TRANSITION PROGRAM

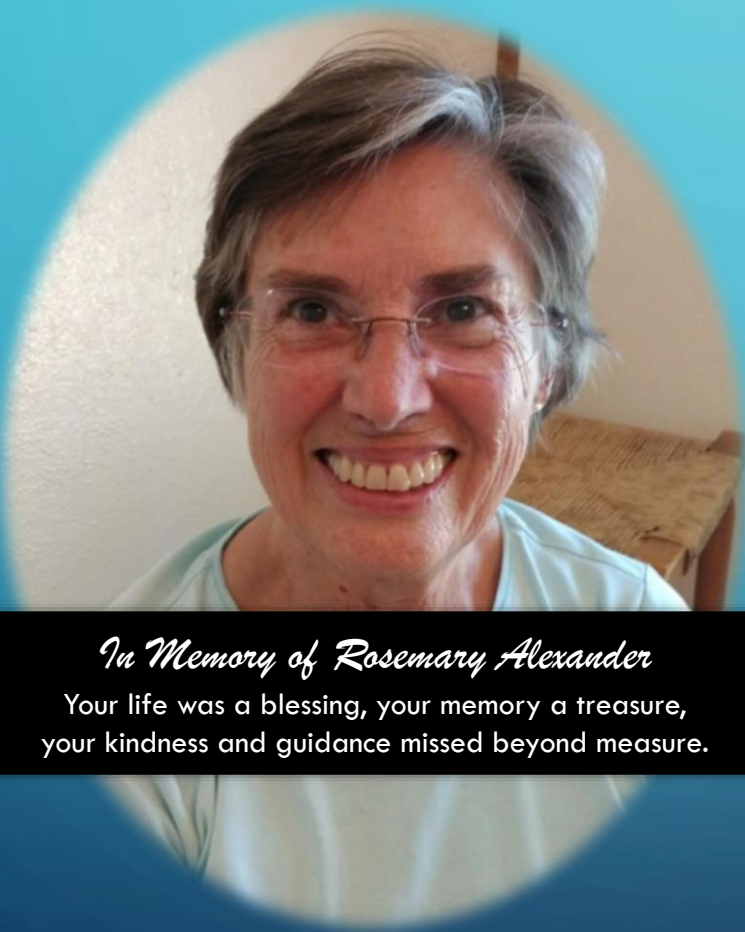
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- Rosemary worked with families who had youth with Special Health Cares needs for over 30 years and had a passion to learn all she could about Special Education services in schools where she spent about 10 years as the Parent Liaison. As Rosemary's son was getting older, she started focusing her advocacy to transitioning to adulthood and wanted to learn all she could about helping her son as well as others find a way to have a GOOD LIFE. She found an organization in Canada called PLAN (Planned Lifetime Advocacy Network) they have a program called Personal Networks of Support, where you build intentional community around a person at risk for isolation. Rosemary was eager to learn about Personal Networks, so she headed to Canada to learn how to set up this kind of support. When she returned, she was eager to set up a network for her son as well as several other families in Central Texas.
- In 2012 Texas Parent to Parent received a grant to provide transition planning and support to families, Rosemary's passion for helping families came to life and the Pathways to Adulthood was created. She has traveled around the state presenting on various topics that all focus on how to help your child have a good life after graduation. She is well known for her innovative ideas and passion to help families move forward in the transition process.
- In 2015 with Rosemary's advocacy and persistence Texas Network Connections was created to assist families in Texas create Personal Networks for their loved ones. This program focuses on helping families create intentional community around a person at risk for isolation. The program is continuing to grow and will be looking to expand statewide in the future.
- In 2020 We received a grant from the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities to create the Transition Center of Central Texas.



In Memory of Rosemary Alexander

Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure,
your kindness and guidance missed beyond measure.



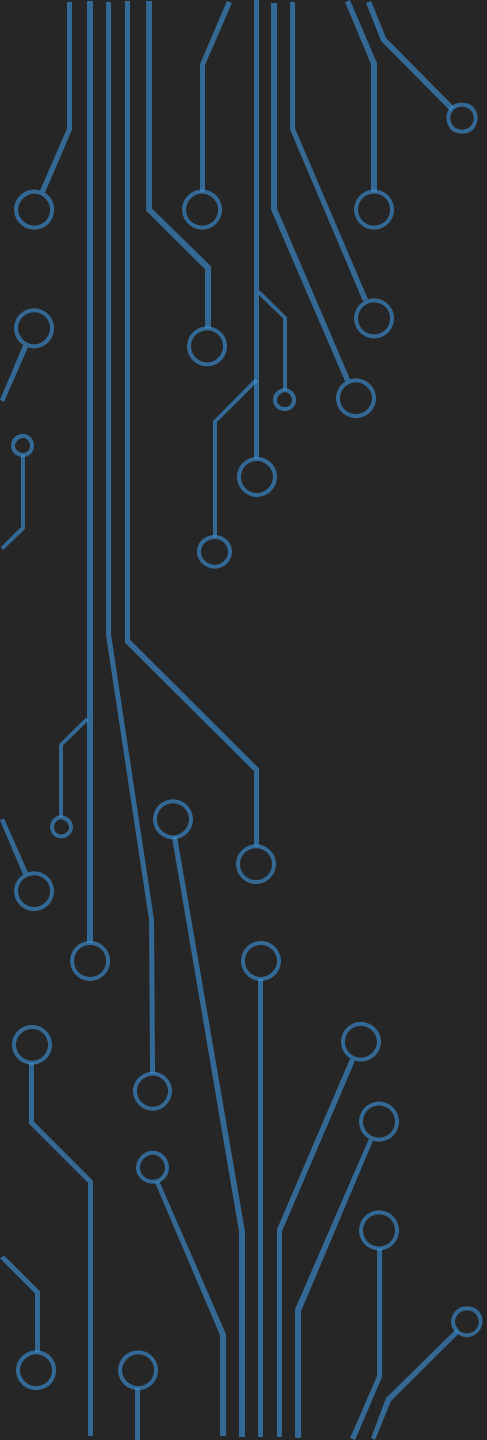


Texas Parent to Parent is funded through a variety of grants just to name a few:

CSHCN

Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities

MCO-Medicaid Managed Care organizations

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GRANT FROM TCDD
TO CREATE THE
TRANSITION CENTER
OF CENTRAL TEXAS

NEW INITIATIVE
GRANT

Parent to Parent Transition Center of Central Texas

The goal of our TxP2P Transition Center of Central Texas is to assist families to develop high quality lives for their youth and adults with disabilities after they graduate from public school.

Parent Transition Center assistance includes...

- a 1-2 hour consultation with parents of teens and adults with disabilities, either in person or via Zoom
- working through a transition inventory and helping the family to establish next steps and longer-range goals
- a resource bank to access during the 1-1 session and afterward
- transition peer mentors and information on important transition topics
- opportunities for a family to work on their youth's future: join a Transition Action Group, start a personal network, become a transition mentor, or become a network facilitator.

For more information, click [here](#).

TxP2P... improving the lives of children and adults with disabilities, chronic and mental health conditions and other health care needs.

Key Elements to Transition Planning

- Start early
- Be comprehensive
 - Base on student
 - Use assessments
 - Identify goals
- Require student participation
- Request family involvement
- Observe cultural sensitivity
- Coordinate agencies

TxP2P
**Parent to Parent
Transition Center
of Central Texas**

The Parent to Parent (P2P) Transition Center assists families to develop high quality lives for their youth and young adults with disabilities

**Work 1-1 with families of
teens and adults with
disabilities**

providing consultation, either in person or via Zoom, to work through a transition inventory and assist the family to establish next steps and long-range goals.

**Resource Bank for
Families**

providing families with relevant and trustworthy information and connections.

Connect with Peers

providing mentors, TAG (Transition Action Groups) and building community through Personal Support Networks.

**Central Texas Counties
We Serve**

include the following 18 counties: Bastrop, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Comal, Coryell, Falls, Lampasas, Guadalupe, Hays, Kendall, Lee, McLennan, Milam, Travis and Williamson.

Contact Us

To schedule a consultation or for more information on this program, call Adriana Valadez or Cynda Green at 866-896-6001 or 512-458-8600 or email them at Adriana.Valadez@txp2p.org or Cynda.Green@txp2p.org



You can use our QR code or visit our website at www.txp2p.org and click on Pathways to Adulthood Program.

Who We Are

Texas Parent to Parent provides support, information and education to parents and families of children with disabilities, chronic illness and other special healthcare needs.



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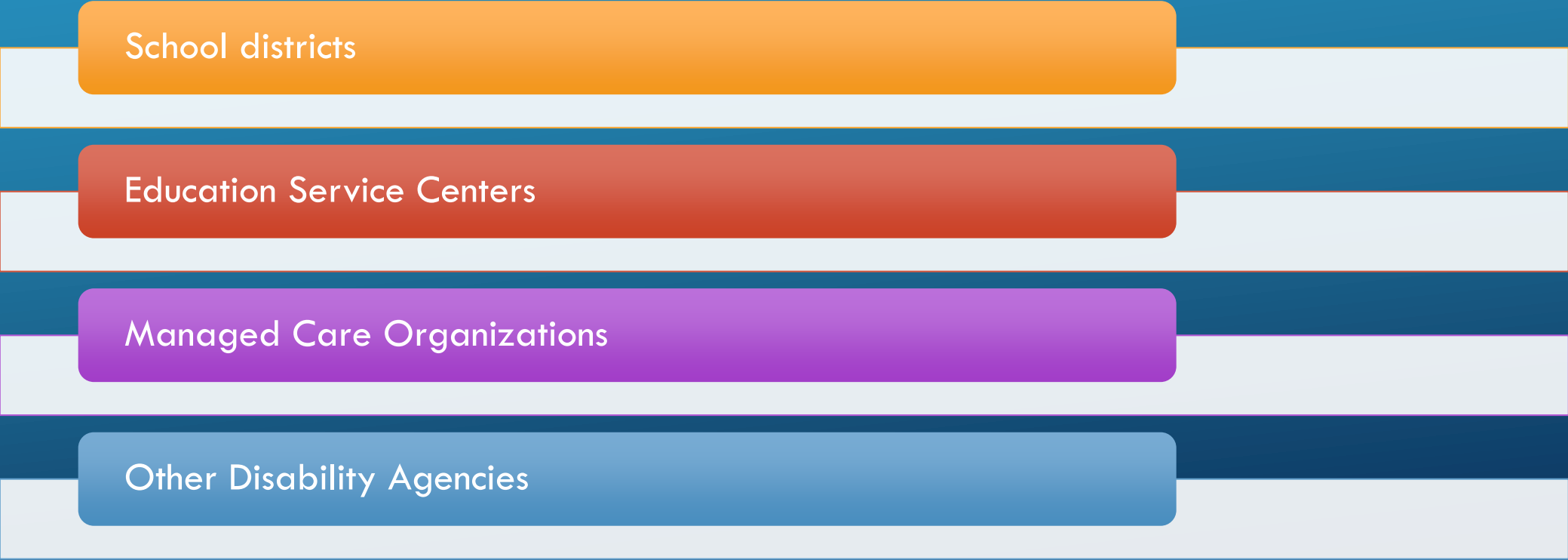


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* \$93,000 75% DD funds; \$31,021 25% non-federal resources

PATHWAYS TO ADULTHOOD RESOURCES

- <https://www.txp2p.org/services/services-for-parents-pathway-to-adulthood>
- [Transition videos](#)
- [Transition Timeline](#), starting at age 6
- [Transition Inventory](#), a tool to assess where families are in planning for their youth's adulthood
- Click on the following links for information on these essential transition topics:
 - [Emotional Hurdles](#)
 - [Planning for the Future](#)
 - [Services and Supports](#)
 - [Transition in Public School](#)
 - [Decision making at age 18 & Financial Planning](#)
 - [Health Care Transition](#)
 - [Life after Graduation](#): employment, post-secondary learning, other meaningful activities, home, and networks of support listserv.

WHO DO WE WORK WITH?



School districts

Education Service Centers

Managed Care Organizations

Other Disability Agencies



QUESTIONS??

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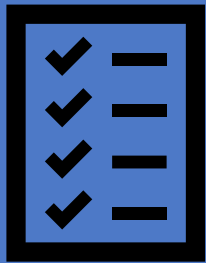


Ways Coalition Members Can Contribute



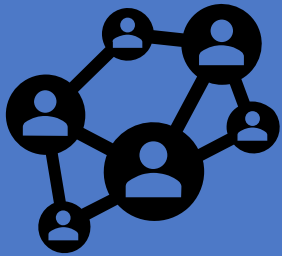
1. Identify and invite families you are connected with to join the communities' efforts
2. Continue to share resources with the coalition
3. Continue to share and generate ideas at the Coalition meetings

Project Year Recap: Asset Inventory



Developed a comprehensive list of local, regional, state and national tools, information, services and resources for education employment and health transition with input from coalition members across the state

Project Year Recap: Outreach

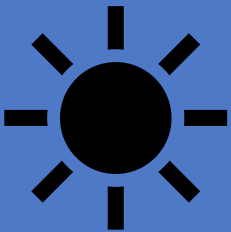


102 WTPC members
50 members attended at least five
of our live meetings

Many coalition members contributed ideas,
disseminated outreach materials, and provided
warm “leads”

Three communities committed to the project!

Project Year Recap: Bright Spots



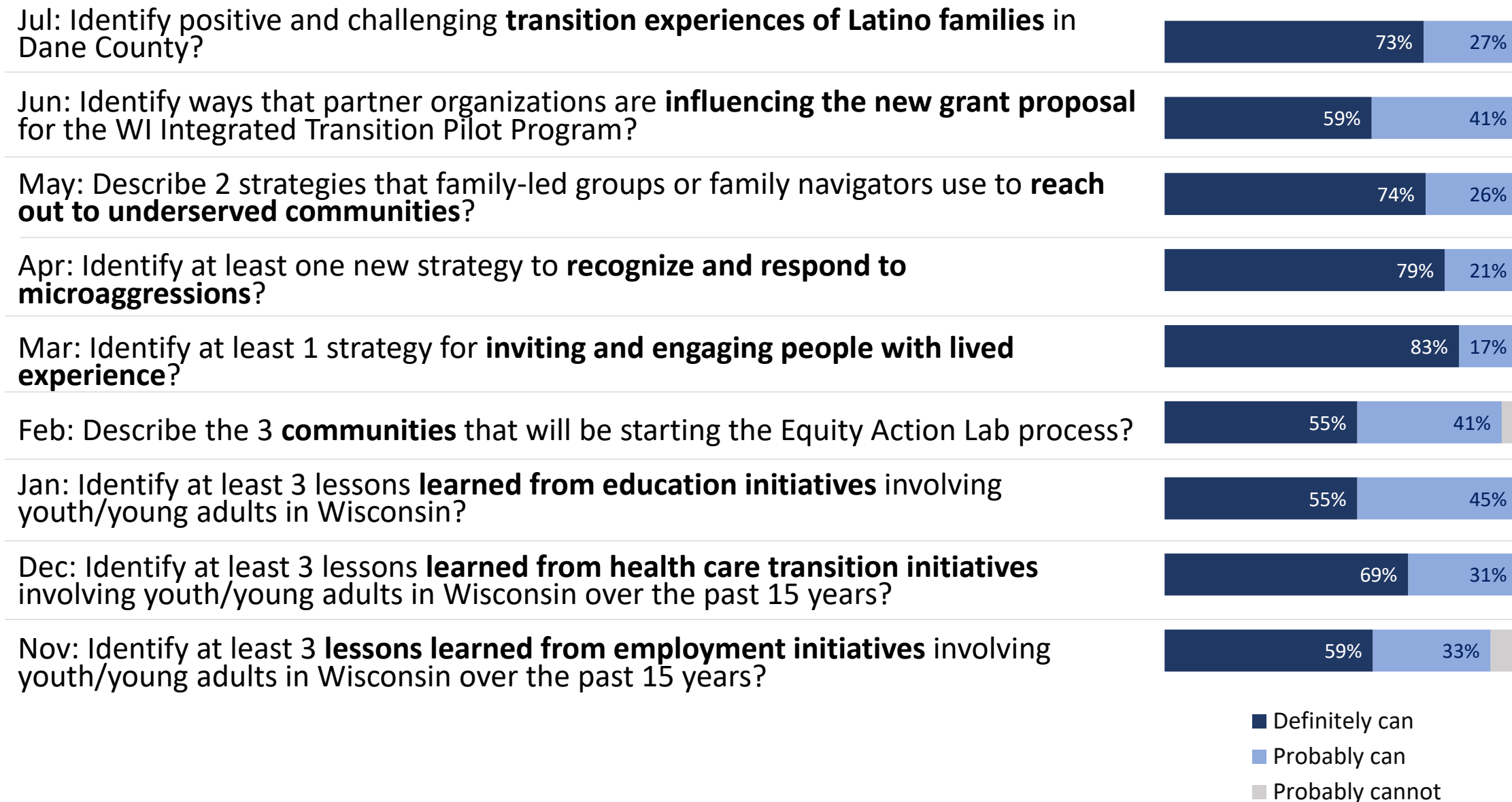
- Family and Youth Perspectives - Barb and Ben, Ashley
- Employment, Health and Education Initiatives in WI
- Well Badger Resource Center
- Shanice Baquet's work with families in Milwaukee
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Access with Kevin Alfaro UW Madison
- LOV, Inc's Family Led and Family Navigator work in underserved communities
- Well Badger Mental Health Navigator Services
- Regional Centers for Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs
- Padres e Hijos en Accion

Project Year Recap: Discussions & Ideas



- Shared “Story of Self”
- Brainstorming ideas for the Asset Inventory
- Brainstorming ideas for community outreach materials and recruitment
- Roles coalition members can have with communities
- Strategies for engaging diverse and medically underserved youth
- Ideas to improve cultural competencies and involve diverse/underserved people
- Ways to ask for, negotiation and incentivize engagement of families
- How diversity and equity play into empowerment/disempowerment
- How we can better address barriers to having more diverse family and youth engagement in transition
- Factors/Drivers that contribute to positive integrated transition outcomes
- How we can share Well Badger resources across the state
- Improving our approaches with non-English speaking families and improving transition services with Latino families

WTPC Members Reported Meeting Objectives in Polls



Breakout Questions



- What did you learn from Cynda's presentation? Any aha moments?
- What are the elements from the Texas P2P model that could be considered for transition planning in WI?
- What will you continue to do as a result of your participation in the WITPP project? What have you gotten out of being a coalition member?

Next Steps

1. Communities continue their work
2. Implementation Grant Application Results
3. Celebration meeting September 14th at 10:30am – 12:00pm

Thank you!

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