



NEVADA RURAL COMMUNITIES SUMMIT: How Providers in Rural Nevada are Increasing Community Resilience

October 28-29, 2024 | Fallon, NV
Churchill County Fairgrounds, Rafter 3c Arena
227 Sheckler Road Fallon, Nevada 89406

Day 1 - Monday, October 28 (Arena)	
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Registration and Vendor Hall Open
1:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Welcome & Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shannon Ernst, Social Services Director, Churchill County Jim Barbee, County Manager, Churchill County Pete Weldy, Regional Administrator, Region 9, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
1:15 pm – 1:30 pm	Framing Remarks: Why this gathering and why now? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kelli Quintero, Social Services Chief III, NV Department of Health and Human Services and Event Emcee
1:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Town Hall – Part 1 (big picture overview) <u>Panelists</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Packham, Associate Dean, Office of Statewide Initiatives, Co-Director, Nevada Health Workforce Research Center Gerald Ackerman, Assistant Dean, Rural Programs, University of Nevada-Reno, School of Medicine Sara Hunt, Executive Director, BeHERE Nevada National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services (invited)
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Break Treats will be provided. Thank you Nevada Association of Counties!
3:00 pm – 4:15 pm	Town Hall – Part 2 (breakout session conversation) <u>Panelists</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katie Coleman, Communications Director, Nevada Rural Housing Marty Elquist, Chief Programs Officer, The Children’s Cabinet Frankie Ortiz, Food Bank of Northern Nevada
4:15 pm – 4:30 pm	What to expect tomorrow?

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5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Dinner Networking BBQ hosted by Churchill County Social Services and County Manager Jim Barbee. Thank you Churchill County!

DAY 2 – Tuesday, October 29	
8:30 am – 9:00 am	Refreshments To be enjoyed throughout the day. Thank you Silver Summit Health Plan!
9:00 am – 9:10 am	Day 2 Framing Remarks (Arena) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kelli Quintero, Social Services Chief III, NV Department of Health and Human Services and Event Emcee
9:15 am – 10:30 am	Breakout Session #1 <p>A. Mental Health (Buckland Room)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laura Yanez, Executive Director, Western Nevada, National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI) – Innovative use of peers and Community Health Workers (CHW) <p>B. Early Childhood Care and Education (West Breakout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leslie Colbrese, Executive Director, Community Services Agency (CSA) – Head Start Services at a Nevada Community Action Agency <p>C. Food Insecurity (East Breakout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stacy York, Director, Storey County Health and Community Services – The story of one rural provider trying to mitigate food insecurity
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am – 12:00 pm	Breakout Session #2 <p>A. Early Childhood Care and Education (Buckland Room)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michael-Ann Lazzarino, Sarah Dillard, Peach Coons, and Kirsten Day with Community Chest – Innovative early childhood education services in rural Nevada <p>B. Food Insecurity (West Breakout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wendy Madson, Executive Director, Health Communities Coalition – Innovative food pantry services in rural Nevada <p>C. Affordable Housing (East Breakout)</p> <p>What does affordable housing look like in Nevada rural communities?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katie Coleman, Communications Director, Nevada Rural Housing Beth Dunning, Community Development Director, Nevada Rural Housing Maurice Page, Executive Director, Nevada Housing Coalition
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch Thank you Mayor Tedford and the City of Fallon!
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Breakout Session #3 <p>A. Food insecurity (Buckland Room)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frankie Ortiz, Health Equity Manager, Food Bank of Northern Nevada – Efforts and initiatives to increase food security <p>B. Affordable Housing (West Breakout)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adrienne Babbitt, Nevada Field Office Director, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) – HUD 101 • John (Jack) Paul Holtgreive, Neighborhood and Community Investment Specialist, HUD – Main Street Program & other resources • Sarah Olson, Lead Grants Management Specialist, Southwest Office of Native American Programs, HUD – Working with Tribes <p>C. Mental Health (East Breakout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shayla Holmes, Director, Lyon County Human Services • Amy Hyne-Sutherland, Nevada Association of Counties – Innovations regarding County-provided services
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm	<p>Breakout Session #4</p> <p>A. Mental Health (Buckland Room)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valerie Haskin, Coordinator, Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board – Conversation on regional trends and concerns <p>B. Early Childhood Care and Education (West Breakout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marty Elquist, Chief Programs Officer, The Children’s Cabinet – The impact of ARPA spending in rural areas as well as current and future initiatives <p>C. Food Insecurity (East Breakout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah Rogers, Nutrition Unit Deputy Chief, Child, Family and Community Wellness, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Food Security, Council on Food Security, and WIC resources and objectives • Rachel Dahl, Supervisory Community Liaison, USDA Rural Development
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Break
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm	<p>Next Action Steps and Summary (Arena)</p> <p>Discussion with all attendees on what comes next.</p> <p><u>Moderator</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kelli Quintero, Social Services Chief III, NV Department of Health and Human Services and Event Emcee

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