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Hill Country Flood Support Recognition

TCMHCC Executive Committee Meeting
September 29, 2025

TCMHCC HRI Response

- HRI staff and their departmental and program leadership responded quickly
- Teams were identified for all 7-weeks to report to Hill Country MHDD and provide their staff and community with the following:
 - Assisting Hill Country staff and their families with trauma and emotional support
 - Assisting in providing trauma and emotional support to anyone that arrives at their established Emotional Support Center
 - Lead a debrief meeting with 10 staff arriving weekly from sister LMHA's supporting respite services as they are demobilizing
- Teams met weekly to debrief and fill in the following week staff
- Some deployed multiple weeks
- Colleagues and leadership covered for them while they supported Hill Country

Thank you to all HRI consortium staff for their support

- Brittany Lawrence, LPC – TAMUHSC
- Erika Cash, LPC – UTHSCSA
- Gerardo Torres, LPC – UTHSCSA
- Jamie Murphy, LPC-A – TAMUHSC
- J.C. Leal, LCSW – UTHSCH
- Jonathan Hock, LMSW – TAMUHSC
- Jennifer O'Hare, LPC – UTHSCSA
- Laurin Ramirez, LPC-S – TAMUHSC
- Lisa Falls, MD – UTMB
- Makenzie Jordan, LPC-S – UNT
- Mehak Gupta, LPC – UTSW
- Michael Preston, MD – UTSW
- Terri Bukowski, LPC-S – TAMUHSC
- Tisha Calhoun, LCSW-S – UNT
- Tynia Moore, LCSW – UTHSCH
- Zachary Amador, LPC-A – UTHSCSA

Framed
certificates of
appreciation will
be mailed to all
16 staff.



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Thank you!



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Kelly Sopchak, PhD, LSSP

Clinical Director of TCHATT

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Behavioral Sciences

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Kelly dedicated more than seven weeks supporting flood response efforts within the Hill Country community, providing steady and compassionate leadership to the TCMHCC team. She guided staff through expectations, offered valuable advice, and helped them navigate unfamiliar environments. Her consistent presence each week brought a sense of stability and reassurance to everyone involved.

“A special note of thanks to Kelly, whose leadership has been both exceptional and inspiring. Her ability to collaborate, communicate clearly, and guide her team with grace and professionalism has made working together not only effective—but a true pleasure.”

- Hill Country Leadership

Kelly's Heroes

They rolled in quiet, but their hearts were loud,
A steadfast crew, not seeking the crowd.
From TCHATT they came, with smiles that heal,
Carrying hope that felt honest and real.

They walked the halls where the children learn,
They met the eyes where worry would burn,
In schools, in homes, in streets still worn,
They planted seeds where hope is born.

With Hill Country's crew, they stood side by side,
Through tears, through laughter, through the long ride.
Not just a team, but a lifeline's thread,
Lifting the weary, giving courage instead.

Kelly's Heroes—strong and kind,
With hands that comfort and hearts aligned,
They showed us that healing is more than a plan,
It's love in action, hand in hand.

So, here's to the heroes who answered the call,
Who stood in the gaps and gave their all.
Your work is a gift, your presence a light,
Guiding us gently through the darkest night.

(Poem Author: a Hill Country team member)