

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
AGENDA SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Mayor & Council

AGENDA DATE: 03/26/2024

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Henry Rivera 212-0007

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 8

SUBJECT:

APPROVE a resolution / ordinance / lease to do what? OR AUTHORIZE the City Manager to do what? Be descriptive of what we want Council to approve. Include \$ amount if applicable.

Discussion and action to approve a resolution recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month and April 5th, 2024 as "Go Blue Day", in order to help raise awareness and create systems and programs that put children and families first.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion of the what, why, where, when, and how to enable Council to have reasonably complete description of the contemplated action. This should include attachment of bid tabulation, or ordinance or resolution if appropriate. What are the benefits to the City of this action? What are the citizen concerns?

N/A

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Has the Council previously considered this item or a closely related one?

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

How will this item be funded? N/A

Has the item been budgeted? If so, identify funding source by account numbers and description of account. Does it require a budget transfer?

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there were **4,985 completed investigations** and **1,662 confirmed victims** of child abuse and neglect in the El Paso area in fiscal year 2023; and

WHEREAS, there were **1,869 youth served by DFPS prevention programs** in the El Paso area in fiscal year 2023; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect can be reduced by making sure each family has the support they need to raise their children in a safe, nurturing, and healthy environment and by informing families about community resources and services available that could help prevent a family crisis or help them overcome one; and

WHEREAS, preventing child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility and finding solutions is contingent upon involvement among people throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, our community has taken a proactive approach in the prevention of child abuse with the formation of the Coalition of Prevention of Child Abuse that is comprised of over 70 agencies, organizations, schools, daycare centers, and businesses that are actively involved in preventing child abuse through education and advocacy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City of El Paso recognizes the importance of child abuse prevention through education and advocacy to our community and the month of April shall be known as “**Child Abuse Prevention Month**” and April 5, 2024, shall be known as, “**Go Blue Day.**”

APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2024.

THE CITY OF EL PASO

Oscar Leeser
Mayor

SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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