

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2016-3**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, INDICATING THE CITY OF TYLER'S SUPPORT OF, AND RECOGNITION OF THE WORK OF, THE SMITH COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP TEAM; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Smith County Behavioral Health Leadership Team (SCBHLT), formed as of 2015 and holding regular meeting that open to the public, whose purpose is to address behavioral health issues in the Smith County, Texas and contiguous area and including mental health and substance use disorders and who has developed to address the access to gaps in mental health services with a commitment to work with local, state and federal partners to leverage resources and improve the quality of life for its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCBHLT has as its vision to provide guidance and linkages among stakeholders to build broad access to timely and appropriate behavioral health care services to better attend to the needs of those with mental illness; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCBHLT has as its overarching mission to improve the quality of life in Smith County for individuals and families who are affected by mental illness; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCBHLT , now composed of 35 members representing the community as a whole and there are workshops and committees actively working on projects and issues to address the mission and vision of the group including prevention opportunities and crisis management, as well as by-laws, communications, finance/funding, and organization structure; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCBHLT is committed to providing to all governmental entities and to the public an annual report in January of each year summarizing the results of any system assessments, strategic plans, progress reports, specific action steps, accomplishments and accountability for financial funding of the SCBHLT, to ensure transparency of the work and expenditures of the group; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCBHLT will report and share will all entities, groups and individuals, the community assessment and mapping data, as well as other information gathered as a part of this program;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS:**

**PART 1:** That the City of Tyler hereby officially recognizes the Smith County Behavioral Leadership Team (SCBHLT) for the local collaboration that has been a part of the formation and the commitment to work together to ensure collaboration on resource funding requests.

**PART 2:** That the Smith County Behavioral Leadership Team (SCBHLT) is hereby officially recognized for developing a team with members who represent multiple constituencies who have a commitment to improve the lives of those faced with behavioral health disorders that often result in poorer health, human services, public safety outcomes and higher costs in multiple domains.

**PART 3:** That the City of Tyler supports the efforts of the Smith County Behavioral Team (SCBHLT) to make a difference in our community and looks forward to continued updates and reports on projects and programs.

**PART 4:** That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.


**PASSED AND APPROVED** on this the 10th day of February, 2016.



MARTIN HEINES, MAYOR  
OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK  
DEBORAH G. PULLUM,  
CITY ATTORNEY