

Background:

Staff compiled a report of recent public information activities for the Committee’s review.

Discussion topics include:

- Public Information Report
- Graphics

Project Development Committee

Agenda Item 6. A.

Expected Action:

The Committee will receive an update regarding recent public information activities and provide guidance as needed. No action is anticipated.

Public Policy Committee

Agenda Item 10.

Expected Action:

The Committee will receive an update regarding recent public information activities and provide guidance as needed. No action is anticipated.

Council Meeting

Agenda Item 17. A.

Expected Action:

The Council will receive a report of Committee discussions on this item. No action is anticipated.

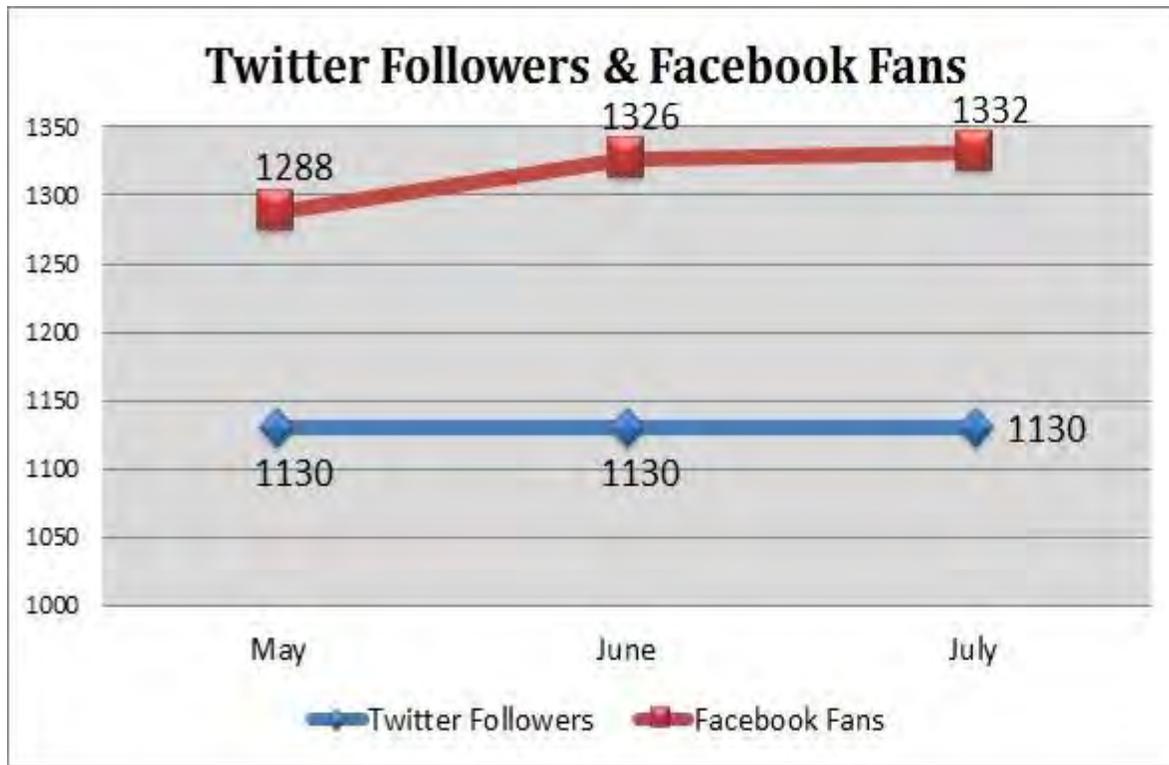
Public Information Report

Creating Awareness and Building Connections

- The following **TCDD materials were requested** and distributed to other organizations and individuals:
 - 181 [People First handouts](#)
 - 131 [Higher Education Resource Guides](#) (106 in English, 25 in Spanish)
 - The Next Step (7 DVD, 1 VHS)
 - 2 [Biennial Disability Report](#) (in English)
 - 21 [2013 Annual Report](#) (11 in English, 10 in Spanish)
 - 2 [Every Member Matters](#)
- Staff responded to more than **84**<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WSM3TWK> requests for **information and referral** in the past quarter (May to July).
- **Latest News & Features**
 - [Youth Leadership Forum Prepares Students for Adult Life](#) (May 15, 2014)
 - [Changing Medicaid Benefits](#) (May 20, 2014)
 - [Employment First Taskforce](#) (May 21, 2014)
 - [TCDD Summaries Sunset Commission Reports on State Health and Human Services Agencies](#) (June 2, 2014)
 - [Blueprint for Integrated Employment Announced in Rhode Island](#) (June 24, 2014)
- **Reportable Outcomes**
 - Guardianship reform and supported Decision-making
Austin American-Statesman, "[Advocates push for reform of adult guardianship system in Texas.](#)" June 26, 2014.
 - Council Members
El Paso Times, "[Kristen Cox: Inspiring son graduates, thanks to a big team.](#)" June 10, 2014.

Social Media Update

TCDD uses its Facebook fan page and Twitter account on a daily basis to share and learn about pertinent news stories, resources and policy information.



(May 1 through July 7, 2014)

- **Top five social media posts this quarter**

Posting	Date	People Reached	Likes	Shares
U.S. Supreme Court adopts respectful language. Bravo! http://ow.ly/xxhsG	June 3, 2014	949	31	11
Special needs families need a modern solution to Texas' state-supported living centers	June 24, 2014	853	9	6
Frank Lloyd Wright home designed for a person with a physical disability before ADA - the beauty in barrier removal. http://ow.ly/wWjy1	May 29, 2014	765	19	5
Input Opportunity: Survey on Paratransit Services in Texas open until July 2. http://ow.ly/xC92r En Español: http://ow.ly/xC90b	June 10, 2014	699	14	12
Uncertain future at institutions for Texans with disabilities. http://ow.ly/xCe0j	June 12, 2014	530	5	3

Residential Programs for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: How Much Does It Cost Apples to Apples?

Monthly Total Cost Per Person By Program

Private 6-Bed
Intermediate Care Facilities

\$5,286



Home and Community-based
Services 3-4 Bed Group Home

\$5,812



\$15,207

State Supported Living Center



Where Do People with Complex Medical and Behavioral Support Needs Live?

127 People



FACT:
There are 8 times as many people with the highest level of need using Home and Community-based Services than there are living in State Supported Living Centers.

MYTH:
People have to live in State Supported Living Centers because they have the most complex medical and behavioral support needs.



16 People

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