

2024 Regional Family Summit



**DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION
DALLAS FIELD DIVISION
Lubbock Resident Office - Amarillo Resident Office**



June 12, 2024
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
TTUHSC Academic Event Center
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To Our Partners:

Greetings! As you most likely know, illicit fentanyl is the most urgent threat to our communities, our kids, and our families. We have lost approximately 110,000 lives to illicit drug-related overdoses and poisonings last year alone. Illicit fentanyl and other opioids are responsible for almost 70% of these deaths. Many of these individuals are now deliberating seeking, obtaining, and abusing illicit fentanyl; while others who might be seeking prescription drugs outside of the care of a doctor are getting illicit fentanyl instead. This should be tremendously alarming for everybody.

As we all do our part to prevent, educate, and treat substance abuse, as well as enforce our nation's drug laws, we know these efforts are more successful when we work together. As community leaders, law enforcement, and family members, it is all of our responsibility to help by raising awareness of the dangers of illicit fentanyl.

Stronger together means we collaborate, strategize, and fellowship to make the Lubbock and Amarillo communities safer and healthier. With that in mind, I would like to cordially invite you to join me and the entire DEA team for the Regional Family Summit on Illicit Fentanyl on June 12, 2024, in Lubbock, Texas. At this event we plan to discuss the scope of current drug trends, provide resources, and identify areas of potential collaboration. Details are below:

When: Wednesday, June 12, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Where: Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center – Academic Event Center
Who: West, Panhandle, and North Texas & Oklahoma community leaders, law enforcement, and families not only affected by drug trafficking but also those who want to be informed to help avoid one more life lost.

I hope you can join my team and me at this very special event. Seating is limited so please **RSVP** at Dallas.Field.Division.PIO@dea.gov by **no later than May 29, 2024**. Once your RSVP is received, additional details and logistics will be emailed to you. If you have any questions about the Summit, please contact Public Affairs Specialist Cynthia Velazquez at 571-324-7481. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eduardo A. Chávez".

Eduardo A. Chávez
Special Agent in Charge