

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS



with Mayor Nichols
and City Leadership Team

Public Safety,
Alternative
Response and
Mental Health



October 1, 2025





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Overview

Agenda and Remarks

5:30 p.m.

Mayor Monroe Nichols Opening Remarks

5:45 p.m.

Panel Discussion: Tulsa's Public Safety and Behavioral Health System

6:15 p.m.

Community Conversation





Six Priorities

Here's how we win the next decade:

1. End Homelessness by 2030
2. Increase Housing Stock
3. Improve Student Outcomes and Support our Children, Youth and Families
4. Make Tulsa the Safest Big City in the Country
5. Ensure Equality of Economic Opportunity
6. Co-Govern with Our Tribal Nations



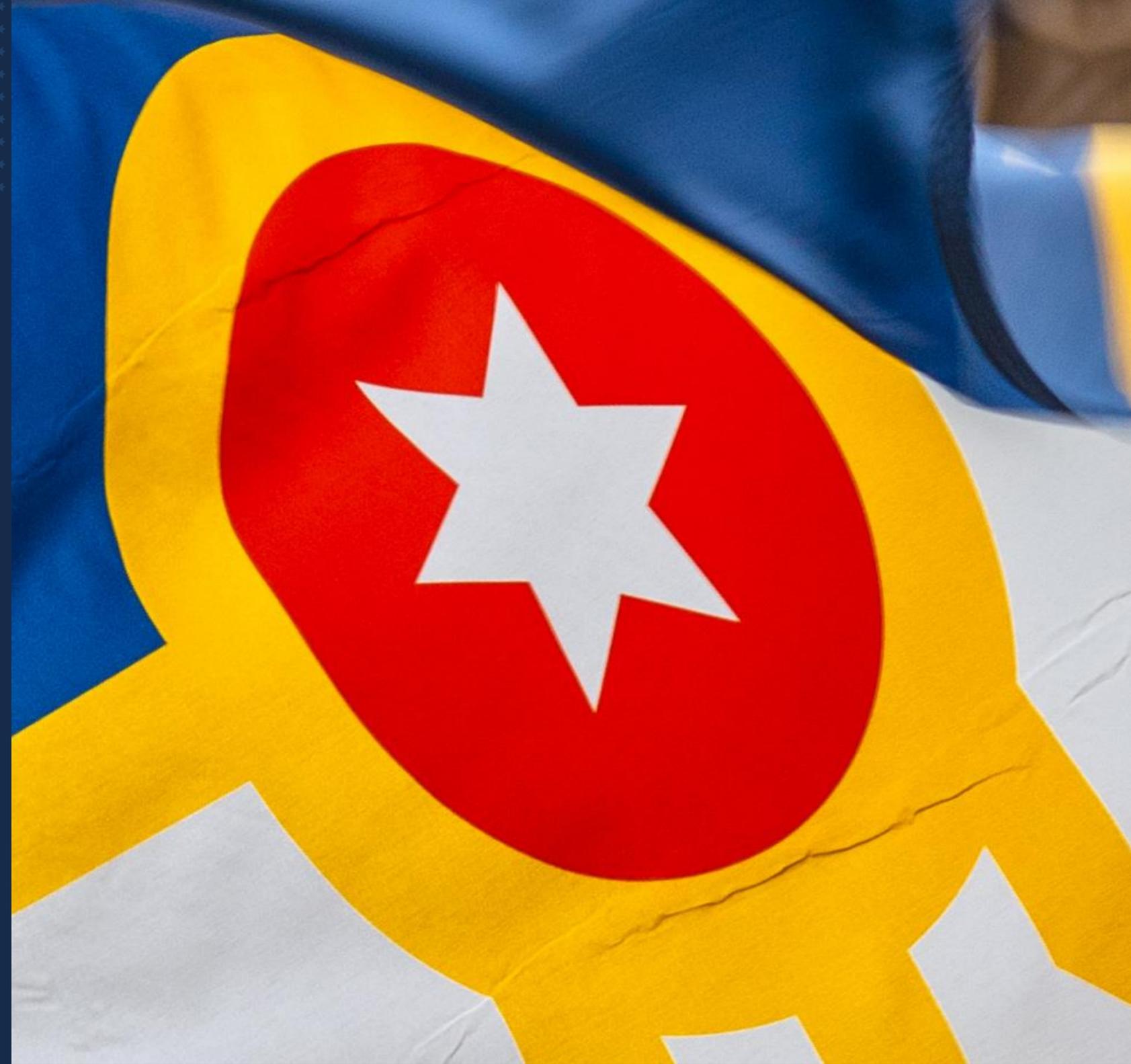


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Public Safety, Alternative Response, Mental Health

City Priorities and Work to Date

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Counseling + Recovery
SERVICES



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Mental Health Support

City Priorities:

- **Ending Homelessness by 2030**
 - Create mental health and substance misuse supports
- **Safest Big City in the Country**
 - Prevention strategies through mentorship and community programs
 - Meet the mental health needs of Tulsans needing support
- **Improving Student Outcomes**
 - Improve mental health outcomes for children and families



Steps to Date

- Office of Health and Well-Being
- Community Response Team
- Two Alternative Response Teams
- Safe Move Tulsa Initiative
- Opioid Abatement Response
- Tulsa Police Department Mental Health Unit
- Increase in Certified Mental Health Response Officers
- 20+ Community Health and Public Safety Programs





Mental Health Triage Operations

Since its launch in 2025:

3,704

Total Calls Handled by COPES at 911 Center

3,291

Calls Resolved Less than Level 3

3,589

Mental Health Calls Diverted from First Responders

3,597
Police Units Released:

911
Fire Units Released:

794
EMSA Units Released



Mental Health Statistics

20%

Percentage of Tulsans with a Mental Illness

19%

Percentage of Tulsans with a Substance Use Disorder

77%

Percentage of Tulsa County Residents with a Substance Use Disorder that Do Not Receive Needed Treatment with a Mental Illness

10,000+

Number of Annual 911 Calls Related to Mental Health

(Source: Healthy Minds)





Tulsa's Response Models

Community Response Team (CRT)

- Rapid response team that works to de-escalate individuals in mental health crisis

Two Alternative Response Teams (ART)

- Provides wrap around services
- ART-2: Dedicated unit in Downtown Tulsa

Integrated Response Team (IRT)

- COPES mental health-only teams



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Panel Discussion

Status of Funding for Crisis Care
in Oklahoma



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Meet the Panelists



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Tulsa Public Safety
Commissioner



Justin Lemery

EMS Chief,
Tulsa Fire Department



**Mark
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