

Youth Homelessness is a real epidemic impacting thousands of youth and young adults throughout the Dallas area. Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance, CitySquare-TRAC, City of Dallas, City House, Dallas ISD, Ebby House, Mental Health America of Greater Dallas, Our Friends Place, Promise House, Youth First, Viola's House, and other homeless service and resource providers are committed to serving the needs and improving the lives of this underserved and overlooked population.

Join us for an information event spotlighting the issues facing homeless youth. Dr. Michael Hinojosa, Superintendent of Schools, at Dallas ISD will discuss the impacts of homelessness facing Dallas students, as well as services and resources currently available. Hear firsthand from youth impacted by homelessness; then from a panel of experts, discussing the barriers to youth receiving services. Panelists include representatives from DART, DPD, mental health services, and other service providers.

Where: Church of the Incarnation, 3966 McKinney Ave., Dallas, TX 75204 (https://binged.it/2bg5gxP)

When: Tuesday, November 8, 9-11:30 a.m.

About Dr. Michael Hinojosa:

Dr. Michael Hinojosa returned to Dallas ISD when he was named by the board of trustees to serve as superintendent in October 2015. Dr. Hinojosa has served 20 years as a superintendent/CEO of six public education systems, including two of the 25 largest school systems in America, Dallas ISD in Texas and the Cobb County School District in suburban Atlanta, Georgia. His career in public education, from teacher and coach to superintendent/CEO, spans more than three decades.

With a firm belief that education and not environment is the key to a student's success, he has led several school districts to improved student achievement. Dr. Hinojosa's recognitions include being named 2002 Superintendent of the Year by the Texas Association of School Boards and 2005 Superintendent of the Year by the University of Texas at Austin. He was honored as Distinguished Alumnus by the College of Education at Texas Tech University and as the Outstanding Latino Educator by the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents in 2014. He is a past president of the Texas Association, including as a master teacher and coach for the American Association of School Administrators and the Association of Latino Administrators.

Dr. Hinojosa, a proud graduate of Dallas Independent School District, holds a doctorate in education from the University of Texas at Austin. He and wife Kitty have two sons, graduates of Princeton University and Harvard University. He has a son from a previous marriage who graduated from Texas Tech University. All three attended Dallas ISD for a significant portion of their K-12 careers.