# CLEBURNE COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2021

## **ABOUT THE CPC**

### **CPC MEMBERS**

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501(c)3 Status	Cleburne County
Is this CPC a 501(c)3?	No

# **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

The sections below relate to the needs of children ages birth to 19 in your community as well as the families of those children. Please find below your identified top needs for your 2021 assessment and the information about those needs.

Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2021	
Poverty   Rank: 1	
What is the unemployment rate in your county?	5
What is the rate of children in poverty in your county?	16
Neighborhoods and Housing   Rank: 2	
What is the overall rate of homeless students in your county?	1
Substance Abuse   Rank: 3	
Number of juvenile delinquency cases filed for drug and substance violations.	3
How many children have been removed from their home due to parent drug use in your county?	62

# **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Below, is a list of your CPC's top accomplishments.

Accomplishment 1	N/A
Who benefited from this	
accomplishment?	
Amount of funds dedicated to	
this accomplishment?	
Source of funds for this	
accomplishment?	