



# FSCP Nights Featuring Community Partners

## Widefield School District 3

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Widefield School District 3 in the Pikes Peak Region has made it a goal to deepen family engagement across the district through the initiative, Connect with Widefield. This initiative has three goals: to improve student success, to build trust and collaboration, and to strengthen community resources. To reach these goals, Connect with Widefield is coordinated by the Family, School, and Community Partnership (FSCP) Core Team, made up of district leaders and parent partners.

**FSCP PARENT NIGHT**

**COME JOIN US!**

**FEBRUARY 27, 2025**  
06:00 PM - 07:00 PM  
S.A. WILSON GYM  
VIRTUAL AVAILABLE: [meet.google.com/wmz-ntnf-jgx](https://meet.google.com/wmz-ntnf-jgx)

**About The Event!**

Join us for an overview of services provided by the Salvation Army Fountain Valley Corps, featuring guest Quiana Vargas, Salvation Army Director of Operations.

Attendees will get a crash course on the resources and support available to them within the Fountain Valley community. We will highlight the wide range of services and organizations accessible within our community center, providing valuable information on where to turn for assistance with:

- state benefits & recertification
- medical care
- taxes
- food
- utility bills
- and much more!

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By combining the two goals of building trust and collaboration and strengthening community resources, Widefield aimed to build mutually beneficial relationships with local businesses and organizations to create a network of community partners. These partners then supported the district and provided resources or opportunities for students and their families.

FSCP Core Team members partnered with local organizations and collaborated with representatives for monthly team meetings. During the meetings, Community Partners discussed how they may be of service to the wider community. Core Team members and Community Partners worked together to highlight the partnering organization and their services in an engaging digital newsletter and subsequent FSCP Night.

A newsletter was developed and posted on the Connect with Widefield website as well as via social media in hopes of providing contact information and an extensive report of available resources

for local families. FSCP Nights typically featured a brief introduction by Connect with Widefield followed by a more in-depth presentation by the sponsoring Community Partner, typically no more than 30 minutes. The session ended with Q and A and opportunities for attendees to receive personal consultation and/or support. One such program featured contacts from the local Salvation Army.

While the practice was not formally evaluated this year, common challenges included under attendance by district stakeholders. Increased future success with the program may include requesting RSVPs to gauge attendance, using interviews or short audio/video teasers online to promote the event, and using surveys so that respondents may vote on which FSCP Night topics may be the most beneficial prior to scheduling.