

“Good morning, everyone. My name is Karla Alexander, and I’m the Executive Director of AGAPE: Love From Above To Our Community. We’re a faith based human services nonprofit organization serving individuals and families in crisis across our community. Our services include food, clothing, furniture, pet & hygiene needs, housing & financial assistance, emergency winter shelter and supportive case management.

In our work, we’ve seen a growing number of individuals in need of mental and behavioral health services—especially among those without a permanent place to call home. Unfortunately, access to these mental and behavioral services remains limited, and that lack of support becomes a significant barrier to getting people stabilized.

We believe that by working collaboratively with partner agencies and breaking down the silos that often exist between service providers, we can make real strides in helping our neighbors not just survive, but truly thrive.

We meet people where they are, without judgment, and focus on building trust, offering consistent support, and working alongside community partners to help individuals navigate these complex challenges. I’m grateful for the opportunity to be part of this conversation today, and I look forward to discussing strategies to better support those who are struggling with their well-being.”