



# News Release

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## **Spindletop Center to Hold Open House and Dedication Event for New Sensory Room for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities on April 22**

BEAUMONT, Texas – Spindletop Center will host an open house and dedication event for its new sensory room designed for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) at 655 S. 8th Street, Beaumont, TX 77701 on April 22 at 10AM.

The all-new sensory room for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities was generously funded by the Eva DuJay Foundation, Mary Harold Medical Trust, as well as the City of Beaumont Community Development 2023 Block Grant. “We are exceptionally grateful for partnerships such as those with the City of Beaumont, Hancock Whitney and many, many more who continue to offer grant funding opportunities for Spindletop Center to further enhance our resources and services for our clients,” said Danielle Pardue, Director of Business Development and Public Relations.

The sensory room will be a space with special equipment designed to help an individual with sensory challenges learn strategies to cope with external stimuli. Sensory rooms can benefit individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities including autism and cerebral palsy. It can also promote a calming effect, increased focus, and improved motor skills.

Pardue said, “Our clients deserve the very best support options available, and it is our goal to keep seeking innovative ways to bring these to them, right here at home in Southeast Texas.”

Spindletop Center is the sole Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic providing services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental health and substance use disorders in Jefferson, Hardin, Orange, Jasper and Chambers Counties. In Fiscal Year 2023, Spindletop Center provided services to 16,225 adults and youth, 1087 of whom were individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The sensory room for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities is located in the newly renovated Wade Center at the Spindletop North Campus. The open house and dedication event will feature remarks from Lisa Gibbs, Spindletop Center’s Chief IDD Officer, Jes Prince, CDBG/Housing Manager for the City of Beaumont, and Jean Moncla, the Vice President and Trust Officer at Hancock Whitney.

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Spindletop Center is a non-profit healthcare organization specializing in behavioral healthcare, programs for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and substance use services for each stage of life. Our Center serves more than 16,000 people annually throughout Jefferson, Hardin, Orange, Jasper and Chambers counties and has campuses in Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange and Silsbee. We promote healthy living in our community through innovative and best-practice options that meet the unique needs of every family.

*The mission of the Spindletop Center is to help people help themselves by providing resources and supports.*

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