

## **Two local youth agencies merge for stronger voice**

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There is power in numbers.

The Texas County Turning Point and the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCCY) have joined forces and will hold their first meeting on Tuesday, April 8.

As a result of the merge, they will now be called the Texas County Coalition.

"I think that this is a good opportunity to join forces and become a stronger coalition. This will allow us to put all of our resources into one effort," Lana Shaffer, Turning Point field consultant said.

The agenda includes updates on the Systems of Care 2009 budget, updates on the school-based service worker. Children's Health Fair, Walk this Weigh, the sidewalk grant and the city wide clean-up day.

The meeting will be at the Texas County Health Department at noon.