

CHARGE

CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH COMMITTEE

VISION

The City of Houston aims to be a city where all youth are prepared to succeed and become contributing members in positioning Houston for its global economic role in the world. The City, its departments and its employees are in key positions to promote the physical health, social and emotional well-being, and cognitive growth of our youngest residents and future workforce.

MISSION

The Childhood and Youth Committee will review issues related to the quality of life of children and our youth, primarily focusing on ages 0-24.

GOALS

- Increase public awareness and dialog about the connection between the quality of life of a child and the economic consequences of what kind of person that child will grow up to be.
- Focus on data and well-being indicators as tools for policy development, planning and accountability.
- Seek equity in workforce readiness, beginning at birth.
- Within their ability, City departments will support opportunities to strengthen and enhance the web of relationships between children and their families, schools, organizations and community at large.

KEY STAKEHOLDERS

- All City Departments
- Higher Education, ISDs, Research Institutions
- Non-Profit, Faith-Based, and Cultural Arts Organizations
- Physical and Mental Health Providers
- Unions/Labor/Employment Sectors
- Policy Makers/Elected Officials