



Our Children, Our Families Council



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Vision Statement:

San Francisco disrupts the historical and institutional disparities enabled by policy and resource decisions that prevent children, youth, and families of all races, incomes, nativity, genders, and neighborhoods from thriving.

Overview

The Our Children, Our Families Council was created when the voters of San Francisco passed Proposition C, the Children and Families First Initiative, in November of 2014. The proposition created the council to align efforts across the city and county, the school district, and the community with the aim of improving outcomes for children, youth and families in San Francisco.

What is the purpose of the Our Children, Our Families Council?

The council is charged with promoting coordination, increasing accessibility, and enhancing the effectiveness of programs and services for children, youth and families. The council focuses on helping all children, youth and families in San Francisco thrive, with an emphasis on those with the greatest needs.

What does the Our Children, Our Families Council do?

The council is an advisory body charged with the following four major deliverables:

- Develop an outcomes framework that articulates the milestones we want all children, youth and families to reach;
- Develop a five-year plan with recommendations on how to reach the outcomes outlined in the framework;
- Ensure data sharing between the city and school district occurs in a systematic way to inform decision-making;
- Create a citywide inventory of publicly funded services for children, youth and their families.

Who serves on the Our Children, Our Families Council?

Chaired by Mayor Ed Lee and Superintendent Richard Carranza, the Our Children, Our Families Council consists of 42 members, comprised of the following leaders:

- 13 department heads from the City & County of San Francisco;
- 13 leaders from the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD);
- 14 community representatives appointed by the Mayor, including students, parents, and transitional aged youth.

The 42-member council meets three times per year.

There are also several working groups comprised of both council members and other interested individuals, who are focused on tackling the work associated with each of the four deliverables.

Who coordinates the Our Children, Our Families Council?

The following team coordinates the council on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco and San Francisco Unified School District. Contact the team with any questions about the council or to learn how you can get involved.

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