



Our Children, Our Families Council



The Our Children, Our Families Council (OCOF) 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 San Francisco Unified School District, and the community to improve 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 Council do?

OCOF is charged with four major deliverables:

- 1) An outcomes framework that articulates the milestones we want all children, youth, and families to reach;
- 2) A five-year plan with recommendations on how to reach the outcomes outlined in the framework;
- 3) Systematic data sharing between the City and School District to inform decision-making; and
- 4) A citywide inventory of publicly-funded services for children, youth, and their families.

Who is on the Council?

The Our Children, Our Families Council is a 42-member advisory body co-led by Mayor Ed Lee and SFUSD Superintendent Richard Carranza. It is comprised of the following leaders:

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

The Council meets three times per year.

There are also working groups comprised of Council Members and other nominated individuals focused on tackling the work associated with each of the four deliverables.

Who coordinates the Council?

The following team coordinates the Council on behalf of the City and SFUSD:

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OCOF Council Members

The Our Children, Our Families Council is an advisory body co-chaired by Mayor Edwin Lee and Interim Superintendent Myong Leigh and includes the following individuals:

City Department members:

- » Allen Nance, Juvenile Probation Department
- » Barbara Garcia, Department of Public Health
- » Edward Reiskin, Municipal Transportation Agency
- » John Rahaim, Planning Department
- » Luis Herrera, Public Library
- » Dr. Maria Su, Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families
- » Naomi Kelly, Office of the City Administrator
- » Olson Lee, Mayor's Office of Housing & Community Development
- » Phil Ginsburg, Recreation and Parks Department
- » September Jarrett, Office of Early Care & Education
- » Todd Rufo, Mayor's Office of Economic & Workforce Development
- » Chief Bill Scott, Police Department
- » Trent Rhorer, Human Services Agency

San Francisco Unified School District members:

- » Dr. Brent Stephens, Chief Academic Officer
- » David Goldin - Chief Facilities Officer
- » Don Daves-Rougeaux, Chief Strategy and Fund Development
- » Dr. Elizabeth Blanco, Chief of Special Education Services
- » Guadalupe Guerrero, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, Innovation, & Social Justice
- » Jill Hoogendyk, Chief of Strategic Initiatives
- » Kevin Truitt, Chief of Student, Family, Community Support Services Department
- » Landon Dickey, Special Assistant to the Superintendent for African American Achievement & Leadership Initiative
- » Meenoo Yashar - Interim Chief of Early Education Department
- » Melissa Dodd, Chief Technology Officer
- » Orla O'Keeffe - Chief of Policy and Operations
- » Dr. Ritu Khanna, Chief of Research, Planning & Assessment

Community members:

- » Abby Snay, Jewish Vocational Services (Economic/Workforce Development)
- » Candace Wong, Low Income Investment Fund (Office of Early Care & Education Citizen Advisory Committee)
- » Cecilia Galeano - Youth Commissioner
- » Egon Terplan, SPUR (Housing Expert)
- » Kentaro Iwasaki, ConnectEd (Parent, K-12)
- » Luisa Sicairos, The Mayor's Youth Employment and Education Program (Transitional Age Youth)
- » Lyslynn Lacoste, BMAGIC (Public Education Enrichment Fund Citizen Advisory Committee)
- » Masharika Prejean Maddison, Lightwell (Parent, Child Under 5)
- » Dr. E'Leva Gibson, SFUSD (Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families Oversight and Advisory Committee)
- » Philip Halperin, Silver Giving Foundation (Philanthropy)
- » President Les Wong, San Francisco State University (Higher Education)
- » Sherilyn Adams, Larkin Street Youth Services (Service Provider)
- » Caroline Barlerin, Twitter (Business)