# MAYOR'S OFFICE OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES (MOCYF)

## VISION

A Tulsa where every child and family – no matter their race, background, income, or ZIP code – thrives in safe, healthy neighborhoods, has access to high-quality education experiences and career opportunities, and is supported by communities, systems, and institutions that are committed to their flourishing.

## MISSION

To create equitable opportunities for every child and family in Tulsa by addressing systemic barriers, fostering cross-sector collaboration, and aligning resources to improve educational, economic, and social outcomes from birth through career success.

## What is the Tulsa Children's Cabinet?

The Tulsa Children's Cabinet is a cross-sector group of representatives chaired by the Deputy Mayor and co-chaired by the Director of the Mayor's Office of Children, Youth, and Families. It brings together executive leaders from public entities, tribal nations, philanthropy, higher education, K-12 systems, and workforce entities to align resources, policies, practices and programs to improve outcomes for children, youth, and families.

Cabinet Members commit time, expertise, and resources toward Tulsa's shared goal of placing an additional 15,000 youth on the path to economic mobility.

Nonprofit organizations, service providers, and advocacy organizations are vital to this work and participate through the Children's Cabinet Action Alliances – working groups where strategic collaboration, innovation, and implementation take place.

## What does the Children's Cabinet do?

The Cabinet drives strategic coordination across city, tribal, educational, philanthropic, and community systems to:

• Reduce duplication.
• Increase effectiveness of public/private investments.
• Provide real-time feedback loops to adjust systems.
• Center data and community voice in decision-making.

The Cabinet supports Tulsa's broader city goals by:

• Advancing economic opportunity through workforce development and streamlined postsecondary pathways.
• Enhancing public safety by supporting youth and families in neighborhoods experiencing disinvestment.
• Expanding affordable housing access to prevent student displacement and chronic absenteeism.
• Promoting homelessness prevention through coordinated housing, health, and youth services

## What are Action Alliances?

Action Alliances are the working groups of Tulsa's Children's Cabinet, coordinated by the Mayor's Office of Children, Youth, and Families (MOCYF). They bring together local leaders, educators, service providers, and community members to improve outcomes for Tulsa's children and families.

Many Action Alliances build on existing task forces, roundtables, and coalitions already doing important work. Rather than starting from scratch, MOCYF connects and supports these groups under a shared structure to align efforts, share data, and strengthen impact.

Each Alliance focuses on one of the following priority areas:

• **Early Childhood**
• **Future-Ready Youth**
• **Postsecondary and Career Pathways**
• **Place-Based Initiatives**
• **Flourishing Families**
• **Youth Council**
• **Elected Officials**

To participate, organizations sign a **partnership agreement** committing to shared learning, data use, and coordinated action.

## Cabinet Roles and Structure:

### Chairperson (Deputy Mayor)
• Lead convener and public champion
• Signals citywide commitment
• Mobilizes public systems

### Co-Chair (Director, MOCYF)
• Leads strategy and alignment across Cabinet and Alliances
• Represents community voice in executive decision-making
• Supports data-driven policy shifts

### ImpactTulsa Staff
• Serve as backbone/project management team
• Facilitate coordination, fiscal mapping, dashboards, public reporting
• Ensure alignment between Cabinet and Alliances

### Cabinet Members
• Make system-level decisions (policy, funding, operations)
• Attend and engage consistently
• Champion shared goals within their institutions

### Action Alliance Members
• Co-design, implement, and scale interventions
• Analyze disaggregated data for equity strategies
• Coordinate across institutions
• Commit people, data, and programs to shared outcomes