

A photograph of three young children of diverse backgrounds smiling at the camera. On the left is a young Black boy with a striped shirt. In the center is a young Asian girl with long dark hair and a black bow. On the right is a young white girl with curly hair wearing a purple shirt with star patterns.

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



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The Cabinet includes senior leadership representatives from institutions, public entities, and systems that impact children, youth and families. Nonprofit organizations, service providers, and advocacy organizations are vital to this work, and their full participation is through the Children's Cabinet [Action Alliances](#), where strategic collaboration, innovation, and implementation take place.

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