



# 2023 ALLIANCE ANNUAL REPORT

*Celebrating 20 years*

# A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We are so excited to be celebrating 20 years of service to our community! 20 years! Although we've seen trends come and go; funding ebb and flow; and staff move on to do bigger things, the Alliance has remained committed to bettering our community by supporting student success. The current mission statement of the Alliance sums it up - The Alliance serves, supports, and inspires students and families to build a healthier community for all.

Over the years, the Alliance has done this in a myriad of ways - from CRAZY Mamas to cooler clings; from student summits to CLEAR; from Medication Take Backs to Transitions Conference and everything in between. The Alliance has committed itself to making the community better. Our Board of Directors has changed over the years, but the focus on community has never waived.

Our relationship with Clear Creek ISD has always been a cornerstone of our success. The ongoing support we receive to serve the students and families of this great school district serves to strengthen our place in the community. Adding a partnership with Friendswood ISD in 2019 has only served to grow our reach. We have loved being a part of Mustang Nation, and look forward to many years to come.

As I reflect on the 20 years of the Alliance, the picture of a sunflower repeatedly came to mind. I remembered reading something about the sunflower and its relationship to the sun. Stacey Harmer, a plant biologist at the University of California, says " In the morning, all the sunflowers will face east, the direction of the rising sun. As the sun moves, so will the sunflower heads to follow it. " If you really look into sunflowers, you'll learn that one of the coolest reasons they face east in the mornings before the sun rises, is that east is where the bees will be waiting. Sunflowers spent the whole day following the sun and the evening producing pollen for the eager bees that are just waiting to collect.

Are there obstacles to a sunflower's well-being? Of course. But they don't look down - they look up - to the sun! So, as trends have come and gone, funding has ebbed and flowed, and staff have moved on to do amazing things, the Alliance has remained focused on the sun - and bringing pollen to the community that continues to serve, support, and inspire students and families to build a healthier community for all.

Cheers to the next 20 years!

Sincerely,



Amanda McLauchlin  
Executive Director  
Bay Area Alliance for Youth & Families

# Bay Area Alliance for Youth & Families

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Alliance serves, supports, and inspires students and families to build a healthier community for all.

## VISION STATEMENT

A community where every young person has the resources, opportunities, and mindset to reach their unlimited potential

## THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

### Social Determinants of Health



## 20TH ANNIVERSARY

In 2023, the Alliance celebrates 20 years in service to the community! We have a wonderful committee who is helping us make a splash in our 20th year. One goal is to do 20 Random Acts of Kindness for our 20th Year!

Let us know if you want to join us.

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# ALLIANCE COMMUNITY PARTNERS

ACU of Texas Allstate-Tomorrow  
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City of Kemah  
City of League City  
City of Nassau Bay  
City of Webster  
Clear Channel Outdoor  
Clear Creek Independent School  
District  
Clear Creek ISD – Athletics Dept.  
Clear Creek ISD – At-Risk Dept.  
Clear Creek ISD – Counseling &  
Student Services  
Clear Creek ISD – Office of  
Communications  
Clear Horizons Early College HS  
Clear Lake Area Chamber of  
Commerce  
Clear Lake Regional Medical Center  
Clear View High School  
Clear View HS Booster Club  
Communities in Schools – Bay Area  
Community Health Network  
Community Impact Newspaper  
Community Management Solutions,  
Inc.  
Cool Cow Creamery  
CRCG – Galveston County  
Daryl's AC, Heating & Home  
Services  
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Frank's Collision Repair  
Friendswood Independent School  
District  
Friendswood Fire Dept  
Friendswood Police Dept  
Galveston County Sheriff's Dept.  
Galveston Daily News  
Galveston Grand Opera House  
Ghuneim Law Firm  
Gringo's  
Harbour Insurance Services  
Harris County Pct 8 Constable  
Harris County Sheriff's Dept.  
HEB  
HomeTown Bank of League City  
Hometrout Mortgage  
Hope Lutheran Church  
Hope Lutheran Church – HURT  
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Impact! Partners Financial  
Ivett's Italian Grill  
J Bloom-Tracy Simon  
James Avery  
Jason's Deli  
Jentry Kelley Cosmetics  
Jill Rauscher School of Dance  
Jimmy Changa's  
Kemah Boardwalk  
Kemah Police Department  
Kemah Steak Company  
Kendra Scott  
Kenny Black-Allstate Insurance  
La Madeleine  
Lakeshore Learning  
Lakewood Yacht Club  
Lakeview Police Dept.  
League City Garden Club  
League City Police Department  
League City Rotary  
Local's Kitchen & Market  
Lu's Barbershop  
Macaroni Kid League City  
Maggiano's Bay Brook  
Marathon Petroleum  
Marketplace Chaplains  
McGriff Insurance  
MGS Photography

Minuteman Press – Bay Area  
Moody Mansion Museum  
Moving by Design  
Nassau Bay Police Department  
New Dimensions Day Treatment  
Nothing Bundt Cakes - Webster  
Oh! What Fun  
Opus Ocean Grille  
Outback Steakhouse - Webster  
Panera  
Pinnacle Reliability  
PrimeLending  
Primrose School of Clear Lake  
ProSurve Technical Services LLC  
Provident Oaks  
Purdue Brandon, Attorney at Law  
Red Line Workshop  
Red River Cantina  
Region6–Prevention Resource  
Center  
Republic State Mortgage  
Rotary of League City  
Rudy's BBQ – Webster  
San Antonio Zoo  
Sea Lark Chiropractic  
Sno Ball Hut  
South Shore Harbour Country Club  
Southern Sass  
Space City Parent Magazine  
Star Cinema Grill  
State Farm  
State Farm - Greg Gardner  
Sweet Southern Storks  
Taco Cabana  
Taylored Vinyl  
TCB Specialties  
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Texas Department of Health &  
Human Services  
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Toasted Yolk  
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UH Graduate College of Social  
Work  
United Way Bay Area Service  
Center  
UTMB Center for Addiction  
Research  
Village on the Park-Friendswood  
Walmart #4618 Neighborhood  
Market  
Webster Fire Department  
Webster Police Department  
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Yes Ministries



# ALLIANCE LEADERSHIP

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# THE ALLIANCE - CLEAR CREEK

The Alliance – Clear Creek has been serving the Clear Creek ISD Community since 2003. Its mission is to serve, support and inspire students and families to build a healthier community for all. This coalition hosts meetings on the 4th Thursday of each month, participates in Medication Take Backs twice a year, distributes Medication Disposal Pouches, collaborates with local city officials and police departments to affect environmental change, and provides the community with activities that serve as an alternative to drugs and alcohol.



This year has also seen the creation of Action Teams to focus on our four primary risk factors: Vaping, Prescription Drug Misuse and Abuse, Underage Drinking, and Behavioral Health Promotion. With a rise in fentanyl-related poisonings, the Alliance-Clear Creek worked on strategies to bring about lasting environmental changes and ultimately save lives.

Because a little friendly competition never hurt anyone, and, it raises money for a good cause (CVHS Project Graduation), the Clear Creek Coalition hosted its annual Chili Cook-Off in December of 2022. Board President John Warnement walked away the champion, garnering the most votes and funds raised with his "The Roy Kent Effect" chili. Board member Brian Horner pulled out all the stops with his set up, possibly creating the need for a new category, 'Most Creative Display'.



# FRIENDSWOOD BLESSING BOX

In 2021 a team of Girl Scouts created a Blessing Box which offered non-perishable foods and other supplies for the Friendswood community. Their slogan of "give what you can and take what you need" provided families in need with a place to discreetly obtain pantry items during difficult times. They asked the Alliance to serve as a community partner to provide for upkeep and maintenance. Sadly, the Blessing Box was destroyed by a storm this year. However, thanks to the help of the Fisd maintenance team, it was rebuilt and is once again open to the public.

The Blessing Box is located at the Friendswood Fire Station at 111 Woodlawn.



# THE ALLIANCE - FRIENDSWOOD

The Alliance-Friendswood is a community coalition formed in September 2019 to serve Friendswood ISD. Since that time, the Alliance-Friendswood has hosted numerous coalition meetings in addition to participating in Fisd's back to school event-Under the Oaks, hosting a Gratitude Gathering, wrapping Christmas gifts for the Mustang Santa project and hosting a booth at Friendswood's Santa in the Park.



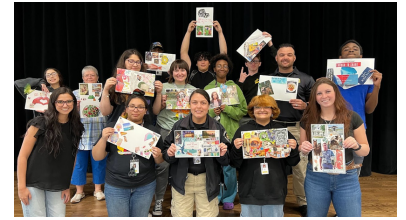
In April 2023, the Alliance-Friendswood hosted a relaunch brunch to discuss the different ways the Alliance will continue to serve Friendswood ISD and plans for the future of this coalition.





# SALSA (STUDENT ADULT LEADERSHIP SERVICE ALLIANCE)

As part of our youth prevention initiatives, SALSA is a leadership program that pairs youth with community adults and encourages youth to take an active role in their community. The Alliance began SALSA in 2014. This group provides equal voice to both youth and adults while addressing several risk factors including substance abuse, mental health disparities, and the transition to adulthood.



This year our 22 students and 29 adult volunteers, SALSA was able to accomplish so much! As with previous years, SALSA spearheaded Love Above Week, Red Ribbon Week, took charge of campus-wide awareness campaigns, attended a statewide youth tobacco prevention summit, and facilitated 2 public service projects.

Perhaps the biggest accomplishment this year was partnering with the Regency Village Nursing Home in Webster to provide holiday bags in December and fulfilling 285 wishes for 95 residents in the Spring for our '3 Wishes' service project. Students and adults asked each resident "what are your 3 wishes" and partnered with community members to make each resident's wishes come true!






## FISDCARES

FISDCares is a joint collaboration with Friendswood ISD and the Alliance helping families through challenging times. At the request of the FISD Administration, FISDCares was established April 2020 to address the tangible needs of students and their families such as assistance with rent, food, clothing, and childcare. Currently there are 36 families on our caseload.






**FISDCares: Mustang Ready '22**

This is the third year FISDCares has provided school supplies for families in need to head back to school.

	Families served	<b>17</b>
	Total Students	<b>41</b>
	Backpacks provided	<b>33</b>

**FISDCares: Mustang Santa '22**

This is the third year FISDCares has provided Holiday Support in the form of gifts, PJs, socks/underwear, and essentials, for Friendswood ISD families-in-need for Christmas.

	Families served	<b>22</b>
	Total Students	<b>64</b>
	Gifts wrapped & provided	<b>322</b>

FISDCares also has special projects such as MustangReady and MustangSanta to support the families on our caseload. MustangReady provides school supplies to families in need. For the 22-23 school year, MustangReady provided 41 students with a name brand backpack in their favorite color or character, as well as their campus recommended school supplies. With our MustangSanta program we were able to shop, wrap, and deliver over 322 presents, including socks and underwear to 64 children.

In the Spring of 2022, Jennifer Sitton, Alliance Board Member, took ownership of applying for the State Farm Good Neighbor Award for \$25,000. With loads of support (and votes) from our community, the check was presented in September 2022. These funds will go to expand FISDCares and connect families to extracurricular activities that will continue to provide equity for all students in Friendswood ISD.

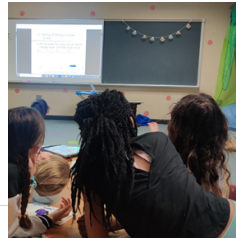


# CURRICULUM-BASED SUPPORT GROUPS®

The Alliance staff are trained facilitators of the Curriculum-Based Support Group® (CBSG) Program developed by Rainbow Days. CBSG is an evidence-based preventive intervention for indicated populations. The program is designed for all students, ages 4-17, whose high-risk situations, attitudes, and behaviors place them at elevated risk for future behavioral and health problems. These include substance abuse, delinquency, and violence. Children and youth meet in confidential, small group settings and go through a series of sessions of essential life skills to help them learn how to: cope with difficult family situations, resist negative peer pressure, respect others, set and achieve goals, make healthy choices, and refuse alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.

Studies show that the CBSG Program reduces anti-social attitudes and rebellious behavior, increases anti-drug-use attitudes and intentions, reduces early substance use/experimentation, and increases coping and social skills.

## The CBSG® Program Major Messages



In the 2022-2023 school year, the Alliance served over 400 students by facilitating CBSG in the following schools:

### Clear Creek ISD

Bauerschlag Elementary  
Brookwood Elementary  
Campbell Elementary  
Ed White Elementary  
Falcon Pass Elementary  
Ferguson Elementary  
Gilmore Elementary  
Parr Elementary  
Ross Elementary  
Whitcomb Elementary  
Bayside Intermediate  
Creskide Intermediate  
Clear Path Alternative  
CHECHS  
Clear Springs High  
Clear View High

### Friendswood ISD

Windsong Elementary  
Westwood Elementary  
Bales Intermediate  
Friendswood Junior High  
Friendswood High

### Texas City ISD

Blocker Middle School

## POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES

Through our grant from Texas Health and Human Services Commission, the Alliance is tasked with creating alcohol and drug-free activities called Positive Alternatives. These initiatives provide fun, challenging, and structured activities with supervision, so people have constructive and healthy ways to enjoy free time and learn new skills. These alcohol and drug-free activities help people, particularly young people, stay away from situations that encourage use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.

### PROM

Prom is a great chance for students to celebrate their hard work through their years in high school as well as an opportunity to bond with their peers and their school community. The Alliance was able to help Clear Horizons Early College High School and Clear View High School plan, organize, and decorate for a "Royal Affair" themed prom. Students and staff from both schools loved the decorations and had a memorable evening!

### CHECHS ACTIVITIES

The Alliance supports the Clear Horizons Early College High School by providing positive alternative activities for their students. This school year we participated in their Mental Wellness Fair, hosted field activity games, facilitated holiday games & BINGO, and challenged students with Team Trivia. These are great opportunities to show students how to have fun and infuse some stress reduction without the use of substances!

### PROJECT GRADUATION

Project Graduation is a long-standing tradition in high schools around the country to host all-night celebrations allowing graduating seniors the opportunity to celebrate their achievements with their classmates in a safe, drug and alcohol-free environment. The Alliance has hosted Project Graduation for CVHS for the past nine years! This past year saw the highest percentage of graduating seniors in attendance! We were able to host PG at the new CVHS campus and had laser tag, mini golf, hot wings challenge, prizes, and much more!



# RED RIBBON WEEK

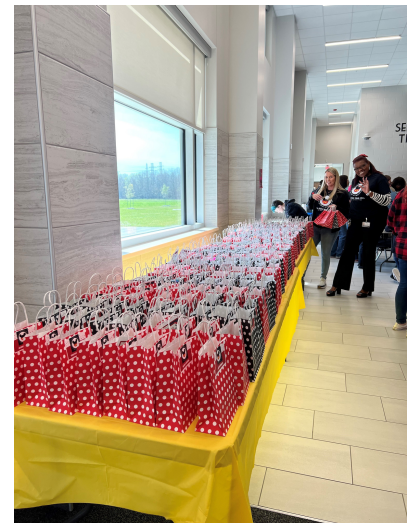
Red Ribbon Week is more than just a week to play dress up and tie red ribbons around the school. It's a day created to honor the memory of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration Agent who was kidnapped, tortured and murdered by a drug cartel in 1985. This year, the Alliance provided support to all CCISD elementary, intermediate, and high school campuses with their Red Ribbon Week activities with ribbons, bracelets, stickers, and more! Additionally, the Alliance gave Red Ribbon Week Presentations to several CCISD campuses including Whitcomb Elementary, Mossman Elementary, Creekside Intermediate, and Clear Brook High School.



We also supported Clear View High School in their Red Ribbon Week observance with a Law Enforcement Panel made up of officers from Precinct 8, Webster Police Department, and Galveston County Sheriff's Department. This panel provided an open environment to ask questions, offer real stories from the field, and talk about the dangers of drugs and alcohol to the students and staff at Clear View. This year CVHS students told drugs to Take a Hike!

# LOVE ABOVE WEEK

Created by the Alliance in 2014, every year the Alliance supports the students and staff at Clear View High School as they celebrate Love Above Week- a week dedicated to putting Love above Drugs, Alcohol, Hate, Apathy, and Violence. This is a week-long celebration that includes lunch activities, morning lessons, dress-up days, and culminates in sharing of notes of encouragement between students and staff campus-wide. Students participated in a week-long challenge of writing 100 ways you practice living a drug-free life and hung them in the hallway as daily reminders to all. This is a time-honored tradition at CVHS and brings positivity and enhances school connectedness for students and staff.



# PRESENTATIONS

One of the primary focuses of the Alliance's prevention efforts is and continues to be on education. Educational presentations are aimed at increasing knowledge and changing attitudes. Presentation topics focus on substance use prevention and/or behavioral health promotion. The Alliance offers no cost presentations to youth and adults in schools and in the community.



## BAY AREA ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES



### Menu of Presentations

- ADULT PRESENTATIONS**
- 1 LIONS, AND TIGERS, AND BEARS, OH MY! HOW TO GUIDE KIDS ON THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD OF LIFE  
*Elementary School Parents and Educators*
  - 2 VAPING AND SHOW & TELL  
*High School Parents and Educators*
  - 3 DRUG TRENDS AND THE DANGERS LURKING IN YOUR TEEN'S BEDROOM  
*High School Parents and Educators*
  - 4 YOU'RE KILLING ME SMALLS- GUIDING TWEENS THROUGH THE BEAST OF INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
*Intermediate School Parents and Educators*
  - 5 CREATING RESILIENCY IN OUR YOUTH  
*All Parents and Educators*
  - 6 SMOKE SHOP 101  
*All Parents and Educators*
  - 7 BULLYING - IF WE COULD ALL TAKE A PAGE FROM TED LASSO  
*All Parents and Educators*
  - 8 STRESS AND HEALTHY WAYS OF COPING  
*All Parents and Educators*

- YOUTH PRESENTATIONS**
- 1 SOCIAL MEDIA & CYBERBULLYING  
*Intermediate & High School Youth*
  - 2 THE DANGERS OF VAPING  
*Intermediate School Youth*
  - 3 STRESS & HEALTHY WAYS OF COPING  
*Intermediate & High School Youth*
  - 4 BEAN BOOZLED  
*Intermediate School Youth*
  - 5 CHOICES - WHAT'S IN A MINUTE?  
*High School Youth*
  - 6 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A MEDICINE AND A DRUG  
*Elementary School Youth*

Contact us for more info about our presentations!  
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The information presented is for informational purposes only and not meant to replace advice from a Mental Health Professional. Please consult your provider for more information on any mental health concerns.



The Alliance has presented to church groups, youth groups, community organizations, high school, intermediate, and elementary classrooms, PTAs, and many more!

# TRANSITIONS CONFERENCE

On Saturday, February 25, Clear View HS played host to the Transitions Conference geared toward students in high school and their parents to focus on next steps after graduation.



Speakers presented on a wide variety of topics including finances, technology, time management, stress, and healthcare.

# EMPOWER TO THRIVE

In the 2022-23 school year, Clear Creek ISD made a commitment to People, Purpose, and Promise. One of the needs identified through this process was for elementary teachers to have access to resources to help them best deal with behaviors in the classroom. Because providing these resources during the school day was a barrier, the Alliance partnered with the district to pay teachers for their time to attend the Empower to Thrive conference on a Saturday. The interest was overwhelming with over 100 teachers taking part in this day of learning.

# CCISD ELEMENTARY PARENT ACADEMY

The Fall of 2022 saw the 2nd Annual CCISD Elementary Parent Academy. The Alliance was excited to be invited to participate in this Saturday event where parents were given the option to attend a variety of sessions to better equip them to support their students. The Alliance provided their Lions, Tigers, and Bears, Oh My presentation to encourage parents to start conversations about important topics like drugs and social media. The Alliance also distributed Family Engagement Kits to all families in attendance.



# MEDICATION TAKE BACK

Since September of 2010, over 8,000 community members have participated in twenty-six Medication Take Back events coordinated by the Alliance in partnership with local law enforcement and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Thanks to the commitment of League City PD, Kemah PD, Webster PD, Friendswood PD, Lakeview PD, Houston PD Clear Lake Substation, Nassau Bay PD, and Harris County Constable Precinct 8 we have been able to dispose of **over 33,000 pounds of unwanted, unused, or expired medications since 2010.**

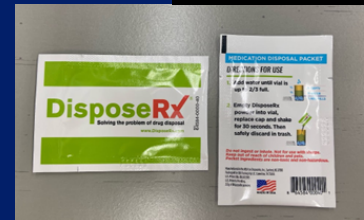


*Both the City of Nassau Bay and the City of Kemah have Permanent Drop Box locations, demonstrating their ongoing commitment to the health and safety of residents in the Bay Area.*

# MEDICATION DISPOSAL POUCH DISTRIBUTION

In partnership with the University of Houston, the Alliance offers free Single Use Disposal Pouches (SUDS). These Disposal Pouches neutralize medication by placing pills, patches, and liquids inside and adding water. The pouch allows you to safely dispose of unwanted, expired prescriptions & over-the-counter medications in your household trash. This year the Alliance has acquired an RX disposal system no bigger than a packet of sugar to use if you just have one or two.

They are available by calling the Alliance office as well as offered at all coalition meetings.



# FENTANYL SUMMIT

On Wednesday, January 25, the Alliance partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration, Friendswood ISD, UTMB and others to host a Fentanyl Summit at Friendswood Junior High. Thanks to the Council on Recovery, every attendee was provided lifesaving Narcan to be utilized in case of emergency. The summit was also live streamed thanks to I45NOW. One of the biggest successes to come from this endeavor is that Dr. Denise Wilkes and UTMB organized to provide a standing order for nurses in all Galveston County school districts to keep Narcan for use in an emergency.



# VOLUNTEERS ARE KEY TO ALLIANCE SUCCESS

**From June 2022 – April 2023**  
**Over 1,258 volunteer hours**  
**Providing a value of over \$40,020.30**

As always, volunteers continue to play a critical role in the forward progress of the Alliance and in the implementation of our Core Initiatives. Board leadership firmly believes that there is a role for everyone to play within the Alliance – no matter the amount of time they may have to contribute!

Like most non-profits, volunteers make a huge impact in the lives of those we serve. Their contributions not only impact the long-term sustainability of our organization, but they set an example to the students they interact with and they give hope and support to the staff working to achieve high ideals. Through opportunities to volunteer like Circle of Care, SALSA, Medication Take Back, or Holiday Assistance for families in need, our volunteers embody the mission of the Alliance. They serve others, support the students and families in our community, and inspire with their generosity of spirit! Together we can build a healthier community for all!



## Circle of Care

The Alliance continued the Circle of Care program at Clear Lake High School for the second year. Circle of Care is an intervention strategy geared toward providing at-risk students with additional support from community members to assist with the transition to adulthood. Three community volunteers meet with one student over several sessions to review dreams and goals, decision making, education, budgeting and managing financials, leases and loans, and healthcare. There are more than 20 trained adult volunteers committed to student success. Students are referred by campus Student Support Counselors. The program was an overall success, and we look forward to continuing and growing the program in the future.





# WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT THE ALLIANCE



"Thank you for all the wonderful supplies we received to be able to share with our students. What a treat it was to be able to shop for these items."

We will be able to touch a lot of students by making the various items available in our offices and/or incorporating the books in our groups. You're making a difference."

**Annette Propp**  
Counselor  
Clear Lake High School

"Wow!! I am blown away by your generosity! These books and sensory tubs will benefit all 600+ students at Westwood."

**Heather Elmore**  
Counselor  
Westwood Elementary

"Thank you for giving us fun times and time to share about good and bad things that happened to us."

**5th grade Student**  
CBSG Participant  
Bauerschlag Elementary

"Every month Bay Area Alliance for Youth & Families provides the local libraries with "clear crate" kits to hand out for free with fun activities in them for all age groups of kids. Cooper's kit this month came with a miniature eraser making kit and he loves it!"

**Parent**  
CLEAR Crates Recipient

"I can't thank you and the team enough. (Daughter) is SO excited to see her pretty new stuff and stop taking a paper gift bag to school. Y'all are such a blessing. When this season of struggle ends for us, we want to pay it forward. Please let me how we may get involved in the future to help others in their season"

**FISDCares Parent**  
Mustang Ready Recipient

"What I enjoyed most about CBSG was having people to relate to, getting to learn new skills and to love myself."

**10th grade Student**  
CBSG Participant  
Clear Springs High School

"We are so thankful to have the CBSG groups meeting at Clear Path. The students have had such positive things to say about group and talk about the things they have learned! It is something that is so needed here, and it helps to know the students are getting this support."

**Deb Rom**  
Counselor  
Clear Path Alternative School

"My family loves CLEAR Crates. The most fun thing is watching the big kids play with the younger kids kit! The microscope last month and the rocks and gems this month have been a big hit! The whole family loves games, so Buildzi has been a blast! Thank you for this wonderful program."

**Parent**  
CLEAR Crates Recipient



"I am so thankful to all the Alliance does for FISD. You all are a blessing to our community."

**Nicole Rhodes**  
School Board of Trustees  
Friendswood ISD



# ALLIANCE *by The numbers*

FROM JUNE 2022 TO APRIL 2023,  
THE ALLIANCE HAS:

**124** Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Presentations

**3,446** Youth Attending Prevention or Behavioral Health Promotion Presentations

**5,080** Adults Attending Prevention or Behavioral Health Promotion Presentations

**31,987** Youth Attending Community-Based Education and Mobilization Activities

**9,824** Adults Attending Community-Based Education and Mobilization Activities

**57** Positive Alternative Activities

**6** Coalition Meetings with 109 Adults and 81 Youth in attendance

**423** Students receiving prevention education (CBSG- Evidence-Based Curriculum)

**199** Social Media Messages Focused on Prevention or Behavioral Health Promotion

**2,192** Pounds of Medications Collected - bringing the Grand Total since 2010 to  
**33,113 lbs!**

# SUPPLEMENTAL COVID FUNDING PROJECTS

The Alliance was funded again this year to address the negative impact COVID-19 has had on behavioral health and wellness with the goal of focusing on equity.

## CLEAR CRATES

To address these needs, the Alliance continued our CLEAR (Create, Learn, Engage, and Reimagine) Crates project. These take-home kits for kids include all the materials and instructions to complete a hands-on activity. There are 5 age group kits from Pre-K to 8th grade with varying themes such as STEM, outdoors, arts, and more. This year, we will also be offering one round of family kits. The Alliance partnered with Freeman, Helen Hall, Evelyn Meador, and Friendswood Libraries to distribute 25 kits of each level to the community for FREE on a first come, first serve basis. Three rounds have already been distributed this year. Still to come is another round in May and a special edition Family Kit in June.



## OPERATION SAFE SPACES

August saw the fulfillment of Operation: Safe Spaces. Each counselor was offered up to \$275 worth of items such as fidgets, games, and books from Barnes & Noble and/or Lakeshore Learning. These tools and supplies for student support and stress reduction were delivered in time for the start of the new school year! In addition, Friendswood Elementary and Intermediate Counselors requested items to assemble calming kits for their campuses which were delivered in June.

## FAMILY ENGAGEMENT NIGHTS

The Alliance began free Family Engagement Nights for PTAs and PTOs in Clear Creek and Friendswood ISDs. Campuses have a choice of 4 different speakers/activities including a magic night, evening with an author, a family movie night, or a family game night!. The Alliance has hosted Family Engagement Nights for Ed White Elementary, Ross Elementary, Ward Elementary and Westwood Elementary.



## LET'S GET MOVING

In FY 22 and FY 23, the Alliance received additional funds related to Covid 19 to provide stress relief and trauma healing activities and initiatives in our community. Since we know that being active is an important part of stress relief, we partnered with CCISD to provide safe opportunities for students to get active. One such project was the new playground at Whitcomb Elementary. More projects are on the way including Armand Bayou's Pre-K playground and a brand new shade structure at Wedgewood Elementary.



# DANCING WITH THE STARS - BAY AREA

Dancing with the Stars 2022 was a huge success as we welcomed an amazing star-studded cast to the stage at the Doyle Event Center! The theme was New York, New York and the dancers all chose songs from some of Broadway's biggest hits!

The 2023 event will return to the Doyle Event Center on Saturday, September 9 with the theme of London Calling.



## ALLIANCE IN THE MEDIA

The Alliance is committed to helping get the word out to the community! Through local magazine and newspaper ads, radio stations, partnerships with CCISD departments, various Social Media platforms, and unpaid media coverage, the Alliance is working hard to get the message out!!



# Join us!

Interested in being a part of what the Alliance is doing in the community?

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