



Master Narrative

ONE VOICE TEXAS: MAKING CHANGE HAPPEN

We are taught from a very young age in the U.S. that everyone has a right to speak and be heard. That due process of the law is to be respected and followed. For the disenfranchised, abused, young and, often, those just down on their luck or the working poor, their voices can be lost. They deserve and need advocates to ensure they are heard and that as a civilized society we are on the constant lookout for equitable solutions to social challenges that affect us all. Even those representing the underserved find that when they band together, their voices are louder, clearer and better heard among those who can make change happen.

This is why One Voice Texas exists. As a member-driven grassroots coalition, we drive policy and program change through advocacy, thought leadership, and public engagement to strengthen families, neighborhoods and communities in greater Houston.

Established more than a decade ago, we make change happen by leading, convening and facilitating conversations that break down barriers and encourage smart common-sense federal, state and local public policy decisions. One Voice Texas brings the right people to the right table at the right time through active workgroups to focus on four health and human services pillars where our member organizations have the knowledge, expertise and connections to be a catalyst for systems change.

SAFE FAMILIES: Protect against threats to personal and family safety in the home and in the neighborhood.

Child Welfare

Domestic Violence

HEALTHY MINDS & BODIES: Improve community health by broadening access to preventative and primary healthcare and ensuring equitable coverage for mental health.

Integrated Health

Community Health

FUNDAMENTAL BUILDING BLOCKS: Address policies and practices that trap families from becoming independent, productive citizens: adequate, available, affordable healthy food, housing, utilities, and transportation.

Housing & Built Environment

Barriers to Stability

ECONOMIC STABILITY: Move families to stability and self-sufficiency by promoting pathways to success and changing predatory practices, such as payday and title lending, that block families from economic mobility

Economic Justice

Workforce Development

Making change happen requires more than mere words, passion or conviction. It takes action. Any impact we have is collective impact because our shared vision leads us to initiatives that are multi-disciplinary in their approach to needed social transformation.

At One Voice Texas, our only interest is the public interest. From socio-economic factors to clinical care and health behaviors to the physical environment, we and our supporters are advocating for and investing in our community to improve the health and well-being for all. Working together, we are the voice for those who might never be heard. Working together, we make change happen for the greater good.