

A Message From the Executive Director



Amanda Siroosian (left) with counselor Dana Babineaux

Dear Friends,

As we bring fiscal year 2024 to a close, I am grateful for a successful and historic year, marked by our 50th anniversary. This milestone reflects decades

of shared commitment of our donors, partners, champions, staff, and board to improving the lives of children and families, and I am honored to have been a part of this journey.

This year, we expanded our reach by 28%, serving over 43,000 children and adults across 15 school districts and organizations. An important highlight was rolling out our revised safety education curriculum to incorporate trauma-informed and culturally responsive practices. Piloting this curriculum at Amigos Por Vida was an incredible accomplishment, offering a glimpse of the positive change we can bring to more communities in the future.

Guided by our dynamic Board of Directors, we also made strides in our strategic planning initiatives and hosted two productive outreach events.

None of this work is possible without your support. Together, we are building safer, more supportive environments where children can thrive and grow into resilient, confident leaders for the next generation.

With gratitude & appreciation,

*Amanda Siroosian, MPH
Executive Director*



CHILDBUILDERS[®]

FY2024 ANNUAL REPORT

For 50 years, ChildBuilders has been committed to the mental wellbeing of Houston's children and families. We have evolved from advocating for vulnerable children's psychiatric care to a broader focus on preventing abuse and trauma. Our goal is to cultivate communities where children grow into adults who are prepared to face challenges with integrity, contribute positively to their communities, engage justly in civic life, and nurture the next generation to do the same. Since our inception, we have reduced the risk of trauma and increased resilience in nearly one million children by supporting over 30,000 educators and parents in Greater Houston.

Our sustainable approach integrates customized classroom based curricula, professional development, webinars, and online resources targeting the three greatest influences in a child's life: educators, parents, and children themselves. Tailored programs empower Houston's youth to identify and avoid abuse and violence; set and defend personal boundaries; build and maintain respectful relationships; cultivate strong decision-making skills; and prepare for their future role as responsible parents or caregivers.

ChildBuilders has profoundly impacted the Greater Houston area by partnering with over a dozen schools, organizations, and districts, including Fort Bend ISD, Pasadena ISD, Pearland ISD, Aldine ISD, Spring Branch ISD, and BakerRipley, among others. Our strategic collaborations with districts, Head Start centers, and community organizations ensure culturally sensitive, trauma-informed programming reaches vulnerable populations, creating safer, more supportive environments for over 43,000 individuals this year alone - a 28% increase over the previous year.

These achievements were only possible with the support of our donors, partners, and champions, whose generosity and collaboration empower us to drive meaningful change.

GET TO KNOW CHILDBUILDERS PROGRAMS



Programs are the heart of ChildBuilders' mission, equipping children, parents, and educators with essential skills to foster safety, resilience, and healthy relationships. In this section, learn about our carefully crafted curricula, which play a crucial role in empowering individuals to create supportive environments where children can thrive.



Stand Strong * Stay Safe® ChildBuilders' Safety Education Program

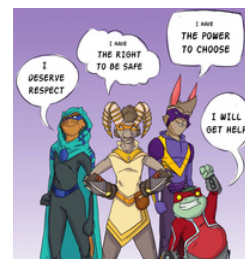
Stand Strong • Stay Safe (PK–5th in 3 curricula) is ChildBuilders' personal safety education program, teaching children – and parents through take-home activities – the skills of assertiveness, emotional control, and empathy to help keep themselves and their community safe from abuse and interpersonal violence.



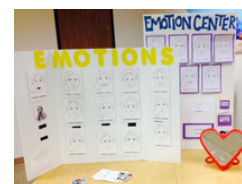
Stand Strong * Stay Safe Early Childhood

Build to Nurture ChildBuilders' SEL Program

Build to Nurture is an interactive social and emotional learning (SEL) curriculum that prepares young children (PK–1st) with the skills they need to become caring, nurturing, and contributing members of their families and communities. Lessons improve the classroom climate while promoting inclusion, connection, and a sense of community.



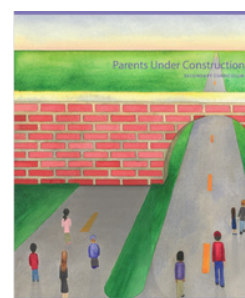
Stand Strong * Stay Safe Elementary



Build to Nurture

Parents Under Construction Preparing the Next Generation of Parents

Parents Under Construction enhances teen and young adults' awareness of how parenting influences children's mental health. The program helps youth today learn the parenting skills they will need in the future, increases the social and emotional competence of students, and can help prevent abuse and mental health challenges now and in the generations to come.



Parents Under Construction

Love Notes® Relationship Education for Teens & Young Adults

Love Notes is an evidence-based program developed by the Dibble Institute for at-risk youth and young adults that teaches healthy relationship skills with practical pregnancy prevention strategies. Students learn how to make wise choices about partners, sex, relationships, and pregnancy, which sets a foundation for healthier parenting now and in the future.

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FISCAL YEAR 2024 KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Board Members at Board Retreat

1. Engaging Parents and Educators

We delivered 37 transformative workshops to parents and educators this year, increasing their confidence in creating safe and mentally healthy spaces for children. Over 2,000 adults in the Greater Houston area gained knowledge about children's mental health, trauma, disciplining children with empathy, mindfulness, assertiveness, and more.



ChildBuilders' Annual Celebration & Wine Tasting

2. Board Leadership and Strategic Planning

Our Board of Directors played a critical role this year, spearheading community outreach and raising record sponsorship funds. Two successful outreach events were held this year, offering opportunities for our community to celebrate successes, learn about programs, and re-engage with ChildBuilders' work.

Energized by its dynamic board members, ChildBuilders began a new strategic planning initiative reflecting fresh perspectives. Once completed, this guiding document will align our mission with measurable goals for the next five years.



Enjoying Our Community at our First Annual Crawfish Boil

3. Expanding Reach and Impact in Schools

ChildBuilders strengthened partnerships with school districts and community organizations in our service area to increase our impact in Harris County, Fort Bend County, and Brazoria County. Each of these partners demonstrated strong leadership and a commitment to the safety and well-being of their students.

- Aldine ISD committed to presenting ChildBuilders' programs in all primary campuses and trained counselors in Stand Strong * Stay Safe.
- Alvin ISD signed on to use ChildBuilders' programs as violence prevention curriculum in all Elementary schools.
- BakerRipley and Gulf Coast Community Services Association continued to present Stand Strong * Stay Safe in all Head Start Centers. BakerRipley also taught Love Notes to parents at those Head Start Centers and trained educators in understanding trauma and children's mental health.
- Fort Bend ISD implemented ChildBuilders' programs on 30 Elementary campuses.
- Pasadena, Pearland ISD continued impactful implementation in their districts, reaching nearly all Elementary schools in each district.
- Awty International School hosted presentations for educators, parents, and increased implementation of Build to Nurture and Stand Strong * Stay Safe.
- ChildBuilders' staff piloted the updated Stand Strong * Stay Safe - Early Childhood curriculum with 200 PK-1st Graders at Amigos Por Vida Charter School.



ChildBuilders' staff presenting programs at Amigos Por Vida

4. Curriculum Innovation and Rollout

We proudly launched the revised Stand Strong * Stay Safe - Early Childhood curriculum this year, incorporating feedback from pilot sessions and translating all materials into Spanish. The updated program equips young children with critical safety and resiliency skills. We also began revising the Elementary Curriculum, working with community partners to ensure it is feasible to implement, trauma-informed, and culturally sensitive. These advancements reaffirm our commitment to the quality, responsiveness, and inclusivity of our programs.



ChildBuilders Programs

Measuring Our Reach & Impact in FY 2024

PROGRAMS

Children and Adults Served

559

Relationship Education

850

Parenting Education

42,458

Safety Education

TOTAL SERVED

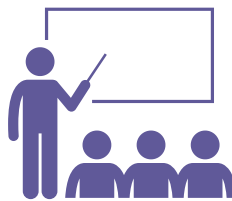
43,867



41,858
CHILDREN &
TEENS



123%
Goal: 34,000



2,009
PARENTS &
EDUCATORS



201%
Goal: 1,000



15 DISTRICTS & ORGANIZATIONS



112 SCHOOLS, SITES, & CENTERS



WHERE ARE STUDENTS SERVED?

PUBLIC DISTRICTS

- Cy-Fair ISD
- Fort Bend ISD
- Galena Park ISD
- Klein ISD
- Lamar CISD
- Pasadena ISD
- Pearland ISD
- Spring Branch ISD

PRIVATE & CHARTER

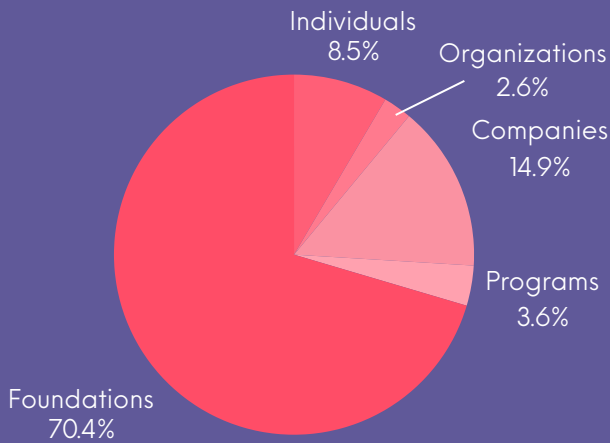
- Amigos Por Vida Charter School
- Big Little School
- The Awty International School
- The Brook Hill School

ORGANIZATIONS

- BakerRipley
- Gulf Coast Community Services Association
- NAMI Greater Houston

Annual Giving Report

FUNDRAISING GOALS



SOURCE	REVENUE	% TOWARD GOAL
Individuals	\$ 28,692	82%
Companies	\$ 50,586	144%
Foundations	\$ 238,500	97%
Organizations	\$ 8,660	43%
Program Fees	\$ 12,210	82%
Other Income	\$ 5,234	N/A
Total	\$ 343,883	98%

DONOR LIST

FOUNDATIONS

Albert and Ethel Herzstein Foundation
 Edith and Robert Zinn Foundation
 Esther Friedman Family Foundation
 First Community Cares Foundation
 Frankel Family Foundation
 George and Mary Josephine Hamman Foundation
 Harris County Hospital District Foundation
 Harry S. and Isabel Cameron Foundation
 Leslie L. Alexander Foundation
 Spindletop Community Impact Partners, Inc.
 The George Foundation
 The Herman H. Fleishman Foundation
 The Junior League of Houston, Inc.
 The Powell Foundation
 The Thread Alliance

INDIVIDUALS

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 Jeffrey Bates
 Francine Beckman
 Mary Bicknell
 Marty Buck
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 Heidi Dunek
 Dianne Eldridge
 Kaitlyn Evins
 Lastimoso Family
 Alan Feiveson
 Roz and Bill Fink
 Renwick Franklin
 Jan Fuerst
 Dawnyell Gallien
 Ashley Fink- Gilliam
 Jamie Goeres
 Michelle Grant
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 Gena Helm
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 Missie Hills
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 Hasani Sumbry
 Sarah Tamba
 Michele Getter-Taylor
 Dennis Thankachan
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 Underwood
 Lia Vallone
 Tamra Wilkerson
 Wayne & Liza Wilkerson
 Evelyn Wisenberg

BOARD GIVING



COMPANIES

CAF America
 First Community Credit Union
 Greater Houston Golf Charity
 HEB Tournament of Champions
 Jewels With a Purpose
 Kroger
 La Colombe d'Or
 Nice Winery
 Panda Restaurant Group, Inc.
 The Texas Wine School
 TPC Group
 Williams Companies

ORGANIZATIONS

Chapelwood UMC
 Kappa Delta Alumnae
 Rotary Club of Katy