

Children Youth and Families Collaborative Commission
Annual Report
July 2020 – June 2021

Summary of Accomplishments

The Children Youth and Families Collaborative Commission (CYFCC) provides advice, advocacy and pertinent information to Alexandria City staff, City Council, School Board and other relevant entities to influence policy and decisions that result in better outcomes for children, youth and families in the City of Alexandria.

Within these guidelines, the CYFCC membership completed the following activities during its 2020/2021 year:

CYFCC Policy and Membership Accomplishments

- Membership remained steady throughout the year and we filled all vacancies.
- Focus on racial equity led to the formation of a Racial Equity Ad hoc Committee
- A Communications Committee was created to promote the CYMP 2025 to other Boards and Commissions and community stakeholder groups

CYFCC Member Activities

- Trained by Chelsea Eickert, Plan Coordinator, to deliver presentations about CYMP 2025 to Boards and Commissions and other community stakeholders
- Participated in monthly racial equity sessions led by the Racial Equity Ad hoc Committee
- Discussed several youth-centered issues such as: absenteeism and school resource officers

Program and/or Legislative Accomplishments

- Completed the [Children and Youth Master Plan 2025, coordinated by Chelsea Eickert.](#)
- Presented the CYMP 2025 to City Council and the School Board for endorsement; both entities endorsed the Plan
- Committed to serve as Champions for several strategies in the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria's Community Health Improvement Plan that centered around advocacy

Goals for 2021-2022

- To support the implementation of the Children and Youth Master Plan 2025
- To continue the racial equity work

Leadership

- Amanda Hazelwood will serve as Chair and Jessica Cuddy will serve as Chair-Elect, Kelly Organek, Past-Chair, will support the Chair and Chair-Elect.

List Term Expirations and New Members, With Month They Were Appointed

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- Ingrid Bynum - appointed 11.10.20
- Jessica Cuddy – appointed 12.8.2020
- Nicola Harris – appointed 9.8.20
- Claudette Haynes – appointed 9.8.20
- Davina Little - resigned
- Tammy Mann – term expired
- Javan Owens – resigned
- During the course of the year, membership included the following individuals:
 - Councilman Canek Aguirre
 - Councilwoman Amy Jackson
 - Ingrid Bynum
 - Dana Chambers
 - Julie Crawford
 - Jessica Cuddy
 - Rose Dawson
 - Laura Durham
 - Kate Garvey
 - Angela Green
 - Jacinta Greene
 - Nicola Harris
 - Garrison Hayes
 - Amanda Hazelwood
 - J. Glenn Hopkins
 - Kurt Huffman
 - Davina Littles
 - Jamica Littles
 - Mike Mackey
 - Tammy Mann
 - Annabelle O'Keefe
 - Kelley Organek
 - Maile Organek
 - Javan Owens
 - Dianara Saget
 - Christina Sherlock
 - Heather Thornton
 - Lou Whiting
 - Justin Williams
- Noraine Buttar and the DCHS acted as the staff liaison to CYFCC during the course of the 2020/2021 year.

Attachments

1. Children and Youth Master Plan 2025