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The Office of Children's Affairs

Our Role

The Office of Children's Affairs convenes policy makers, advocates and community partners to leverage resources that work to improve outcomes for all Denver children and youth.

Our Vision

To deliver a city where all children, youth and their families have the opportunity to succeed.

Our Mission and Values

- We put children first and support the whole child
- We are inclusive and represent all children and their families in Denver
- We listen and learn from the communities we serve
- We don't make assumptions about who we serve
- While all children have similar needs, we help fill gaps so each child has what he/she really needs



Children's Cabinet Executive Order 139

Mission:

The Denver Children's Cabinet will improve communication between agencies, coordinate and align programs and services, and develop strategies to address gaps and remove barriers that hinder opportunities for Denver children and youth.

The Children's Cabinet Shall:

Create and maintain an updated inventory of programs and services offered for children and youth, and quantify the City's investment in these programs.

Annual Fiscal Map

Establish a broad set of children's metrics that establish the baseline for child-well being in Denver from which to measure progress towards desired outcomes.

Status of Denver's Children Databook

Integrate Department and Agency Peak Performance strategic plans, and the performance metrics contained in these plans, to support and achieve the children's metrics to the extent appropriate.

Varies by agency

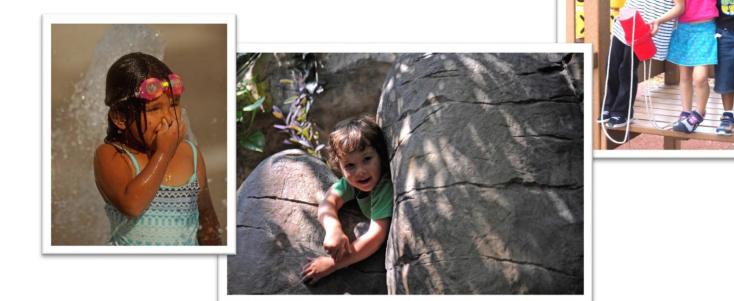
Identify improvement opportunities within City services and implement plans to address them.

Denver Human Services-Child Safety Net Impact Team

☐ Identify areas where coordination will lead to better services and more opportunities and implement improvements.

Safety and Basic Needs: Summer Programs for Denver's Children and Youth

- Out-Of-School Time Programs
- Youth Employment
- Summer Meals



Mobility

- MY Denver Partnerships
- Denveright
- Vision Zero

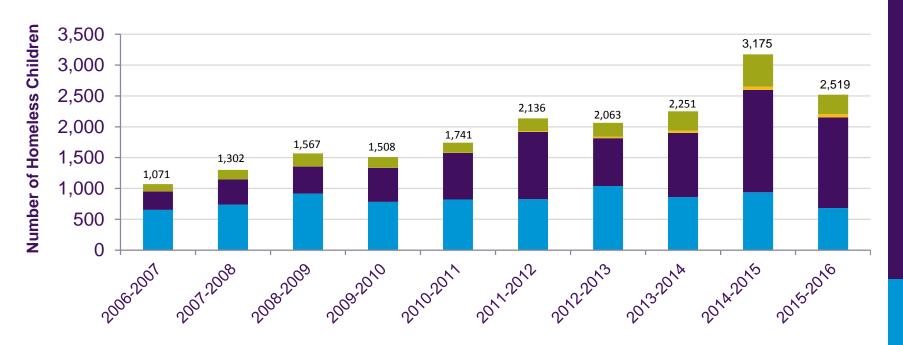






Housing: Homeless Youth in Denver

- Hotels/Motels
- Unsheltered (e.g. cars, parks, campgrounds, temporary trailers, or abandoned buildings)
- Doubled-up (sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason)
- Shelters, transitional housing, awaiting foster care



School Year

Colorado Department of Education. (2017, February). *Homeless Education Data 2006-2007 to 2015-2016.* Retrieved from Dropout Prevention and Re-Engagement: http://www.cde.state.co.us/dropoutprevention/homeless_data.

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