



# My Brother's Keeper Houston

**A Cradle to Career Collaborative Impact Initiative  
Improving Outcomes for Boys and Young Men of Color**



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## Six Milestones



**Enter School Ready to Learn**



**Read on 3rd Grade Level**



**Graduate High School**



**Complete Post-Secondary Ed.**



**Enter the Workforce Successfully**

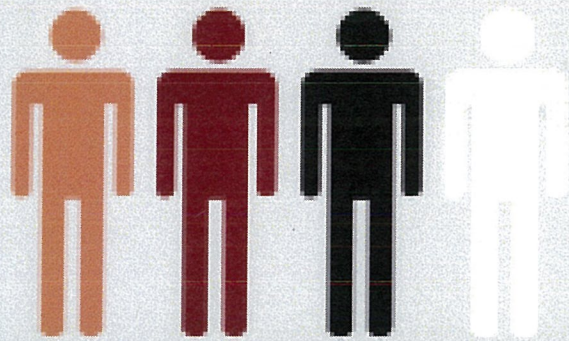


**Reduce Crime & Violence  
& Provide 2nd Chance Opp.**




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Addressing Disparities



THREE OUT OF EVERY FOUR OF HOUSTON MALES AGED 10 to 25 YEARS ARE EITHER BLACK OR HISPANIC

50% 

ABOUT FIFTY PERCENT OF BLACK AND HISPANIC MALE YOUTH HAVE REPORTED BEING IN A FIGHT IN THE PAST YEAR

2.5X 

OUT OF SCHOOL SUSPENSION IS TWO AND A HALF TIMES MORE LIKELY EXPERIENCED BY BLACK MALES THAN WHITE MALES

2X 

BLACK MALE YOUTH ARE TWO TIMES MORE LIKELY TO HAVE JUVENILE REFERRALS THAN WHITE MALE YOUTH

8X 

BLACK MALE YOUTH ARE FOUR TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE PLACED IN A JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITY THAN WHITE MALE YOUTH



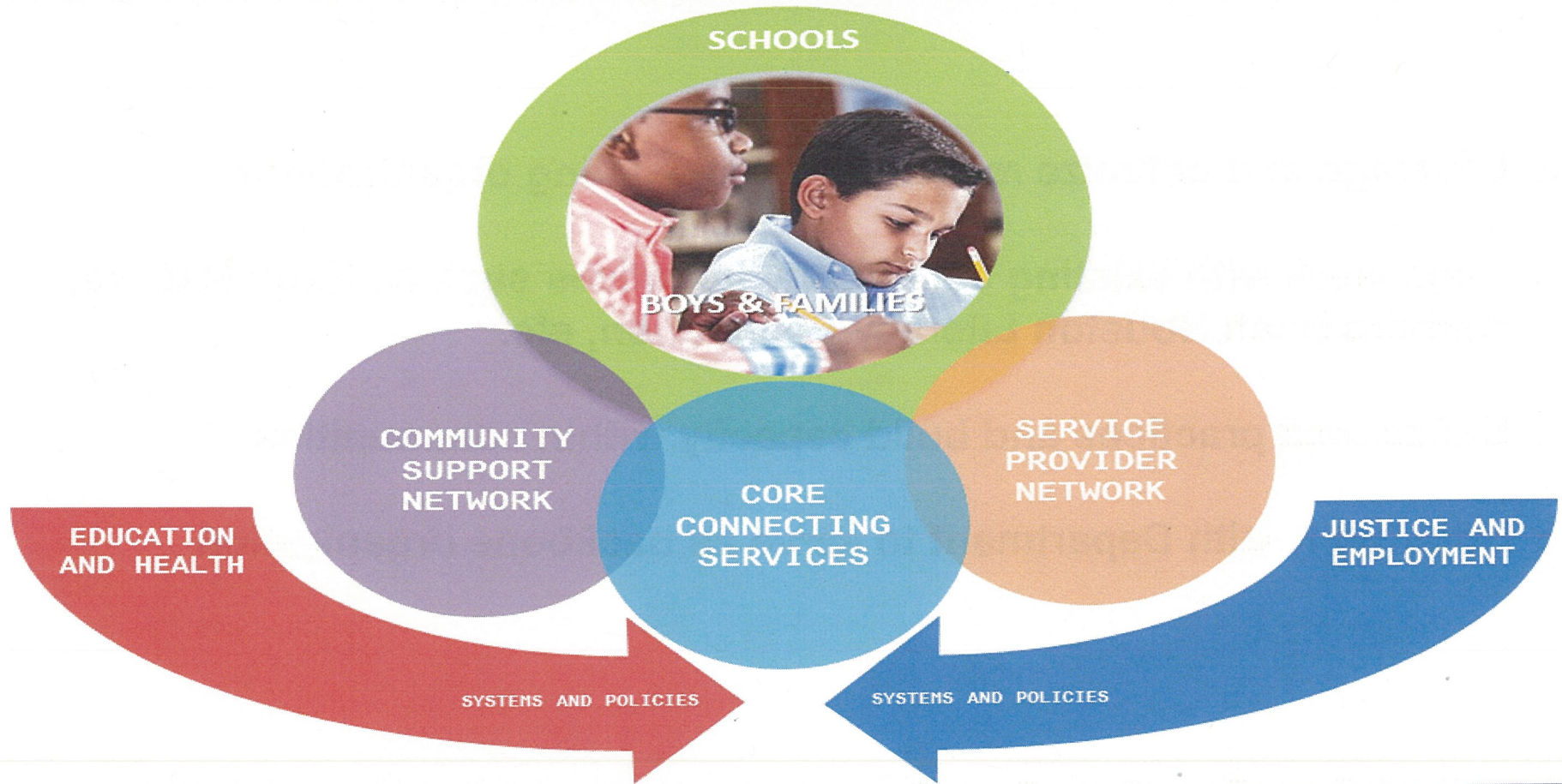
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Since the Launch of the MBK Local Action Plan...



- **Organized Six Milestone Action Teams**
- **Organized Three Area Action Teams in the initial geographical regions**
  - Kashmere
  - Scarborough
  - Wheatley
- **Utilizing Six Cross-cutting Strategies to Achieve Success**
- **Utilizing Early Warning System and Systems of Care Model**
- **Developing Special Initiatives / Workgroups / Councils**
  - 0 to 5 Year Olds
  - Jobs
  - Juvenile Justice
  - Post High School Supports

# MBK Houston Area Action Network





# Implementation and Funding Principals

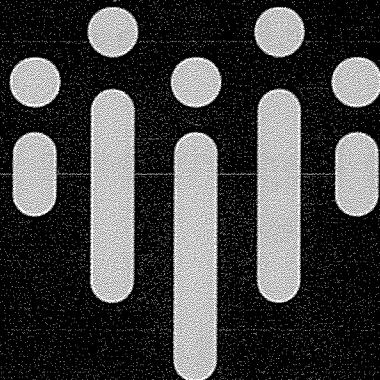


- **Leverage and optimize resources from existing organizations**
- **Align work with existing community initiatives such as Early Matters, Barbara Bush Houston Literacy Foundation, etc.**
- **Utilize best practices and build capacity within communities**
- **Houston Health Department to serve as backbone organization**

## Request to Council



- **Support Mayor's commitment of at least \$1.3M to MBK**
- **Support involvement of City Departments (e.g. Library, Parks, Police, Health, Courts) in MBK Initiative**
- **Participate in Three Doctor's Event sponsored by MBK and the Library**
- **Encourage constituents in all Districts to get involved in efforts that are aimed at improving outcomes for children**



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