

# Travis County Collaborative For Children

Healing and Permanency for Children in Foster Care



## TCCC Leadership

- › Catalyzing Partner, TCU Institute of Child Development
- › Steering Committee and Advisory Council

## Partners and Affiliates

- › Child Placing Agencies
- › Residential Treatment Centers
- › CASA
- › Foundations
- › Child Protective Services  
State and Regional office
- › County Judges, Courts  
and Attorneys
- › Juvenile Justice
- › Advocacy Groups
- › Schools
- › Clinicians
- › Congregations
- › Families/Parents

## TCCC Vision and Goals

Children in foster care in Travis County will achieve dramatic healing and will find truly permanent, nurturing families more quickly than the state average.

- › Improve the healing and overall well-being of children in foster care
- › Reduce the average number of placements foster children experience prior to permanency
- › Safely reduce the average time to achieve positive permanency
- › Create a trauma-informed culture which values and achieves positive permanency

# Structured Around Four Pillars for Success

- › Trauma-Informed Organizations
- › Effective Collaboration
- › Trauma-Informed Public Policy
- › Healing Families

# Addressing the Committee's Charge Through a Trauma-Informed Lens

- › Treatment and placement should:
  - › Realize the impact of trauma
  - › Recognize the signs of trauma
  - › Respond by applying policies and practices that ensure three core pillars of trauma-informed care are addressed:
    - › Connection
    - › Safety
    - › Regulation
- › Avoid re-traumatizing children, caregivers, and staff

# Community Readiness for Change

- › A sense of urgency
- › Innovative, creative leaders as early partners
- › A promising, evidence-based training for trauma-informed practice
- › Strong relationships across sectors
- › A trusted advisor

# For more information

- › Travis County Collaborative for Children Website  
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