



Community Engagement

Annual HCDE Board Presentation
January 21, 2026

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MEET OUR TEAM

2025 – 2026 EFHC Board of Directors & Advisory Board

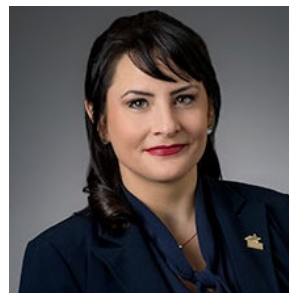
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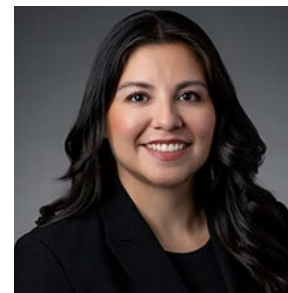
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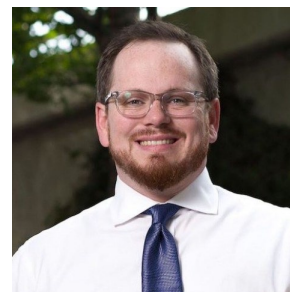
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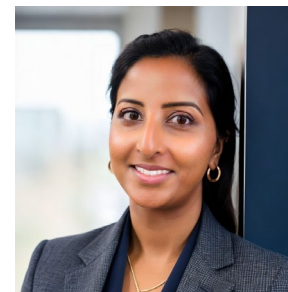
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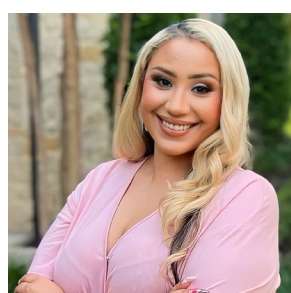
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Carollo Engineers

FY25 & FY26 INTERNS



Hadi Totonchian
UH Political Science
Fall '24 EFHC Intern



Sandra Teran
UH Public Policy
Fall '24 Civic Engagement Intern



Sophia Rodriguez (EFHC) & Saron Regassa (Civic Engagement)
UH Political Science
Spring '25



Wilmer Guevara
UH Political Science
Fall '25 Civic Engagement Intern



Maya Wheelwright
UH Political Science
Fall '25 EFHC Intern



Ja'Nae Henderson
Aldine ISD, Victory Early College HS
Fall '25, Spring '26 EFHC Intern

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- Align external resources to support HCDE programs
- Build partnerships with nonprofits, businesses, & civic groups
- Represent HCDE in the community
- Support divisions with engagement, events, & visibility



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- Lead fundraising strategy
- Partner with Grants team to secure funds
- Disburse grants, scholarships, & supplies
- Manage donor relations & events
- Connect companies with schools & students

Expand support
for students &
educators

Bridge private &
public sector
collaboration

Strengthen
relationships that
benefit all
divisions

MAXIMIZING COMMUNITY IMPACT

- EFHC dollars are reserved for:
 - **Supporting the 25 Harris County school districts we serve**
 - **Filling the gaps in education** through our Partners in Education Initiatives (*grants, scholarships, school supplies, sponsorships*)
- HCDE Community Engagement funds are typically directed toward:
 - **Existing partnerships or memberships**
 - **Policy-focused or education-forward events** (*e.g., Greater Houston Partnership's State of Education, Community Partner Breakfast*)

FY25 SPONSORSHIP & MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

EFHC	HCDE
Golf Tournaments: • Aldine ISD • Alief ISD • Cy Fair ISD • Humble ISD • Spring ISD • Cameron Champ Foundation Other: • HISD State of the District • Women on the Move Luncheon • East End Chamber Education Symposium • East End Chamber of Commerce Luncheon • Communities in Schools BBQ • HAABSE Teacher Awards Dinner • District 141 Backpack Drive	Luncheons: • Greater Houston Partnership State of the City • Greater Houston Partnership State of Education • Houston First State of the County Other: • LULAC Council 402 Gala • Greater Northside Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament (FY26) • Asian Chamber of Commerce Gala (FY26) Memberships: • Greater Houston Black Chamber • East End Chamber of Commerce* • Greater Houston Partnership* • Cy-Fair Chamber of Commerce* • Asian Chamber of Commerce*

HCDE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS & NEW RELATIONSHIPS

- Calpine Corporation
- Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo
- Leadership Houston
- Specialty Injury Clinic
- Latina Leadership Podcast
- Stellar Bank
- Service Corporation International



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EFHC FY25 FUNDING SOURCES

- **Grants**

- **Awarded to EFHC** benefiting HCDE divisions: CASE for Kids, Center for Educator Success, Civic Engagement, Head Start, Special Schools.
- **\$200,000** - Houston Endowment *Your Voice Matters* Grant

- **HCDE**

- **\$200,000** - Partners in Education funds

- **Events**

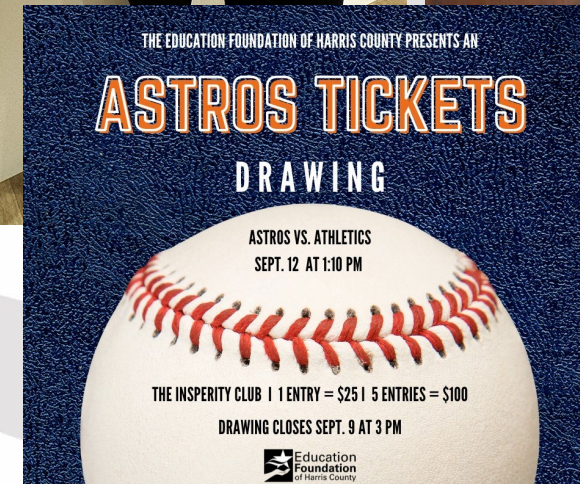
- **\$60,000** - Heart of Education Luncheon

- **Corporate Donors**

- Board donations (Versa Creative, ConocoPhillips)
- Corporate Matches
- Calpine match
- Stellar Bank
- Kendra Scott

- **Individual Donors**

- Employee Giving - 1,160 Payroll Deduction Transactions
- EFHC Board Giving - 100% Participation
- Holiday Giving Campaign



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HEART OF EDUCATION LUNCHEON

SAVE THE DATE

the HEART OF EDUCATION LUNCHEON

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**Wednesday,
May 13, 2026**

Junior League of Houston
1811 Briar Oaks Ln
Houston, TX 77027

Highlighting after
school programs
and HCDE's



Thank you to our
early sponsor:



Contact Education Foundation & Partnerships Director
Trina Silva about sponsoring or donating a silent auction
item: trina.silva@hcde-texas.org or 713-696-1325

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

- Sponsor Tickets starting at **\$700** and up
- Tables of 10 starting at **\$2,500** and up

Now Accepting Silent Auction Donations

- Items valued at **\$100+**

Event Highlights

- **Co-Emcees:** Leisa Holland-Nelson & Shavonnah Roberts Schreiber
- **Honoree:** Donna Fujimoto Cole,
Founder of Cole Chemical

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EFHC FY25 & FY26 NEW FUNDING SOURCES



WE ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE
**THE 2026 TEXAS CHILDREN'S
HOUSTON OPEN
BIRDIES FOR CHARITY**
PRESENTED BY CHEVRON



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- **100+ Attendees**
- **18 Sponsors**
- **Raised \$40,000**
- **Honoree:** Holly Maria Flynn Villaseca, *Education Advocate*
- **Custom Awards** by Stafford MSD welding students
FY25 Partners in Education grant recipients



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BOOK WORM SPONSORS

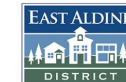


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EFHC PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES



**Partners in
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Tools for Teachers | Project Grants | Scholarships for Students

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**TOOLS FOR
TEACHERS**
SUPPLEMENTING SUCCESS

FY25 HIGHLIGHTS

- Partnered with Challenge Office Products
- Registration filled in **5 minutes** — record time!
- **1,250 educators** offered a **\$100** shopping coupon
- **23 school districts** served
- **\$125,000** allocated for FY26



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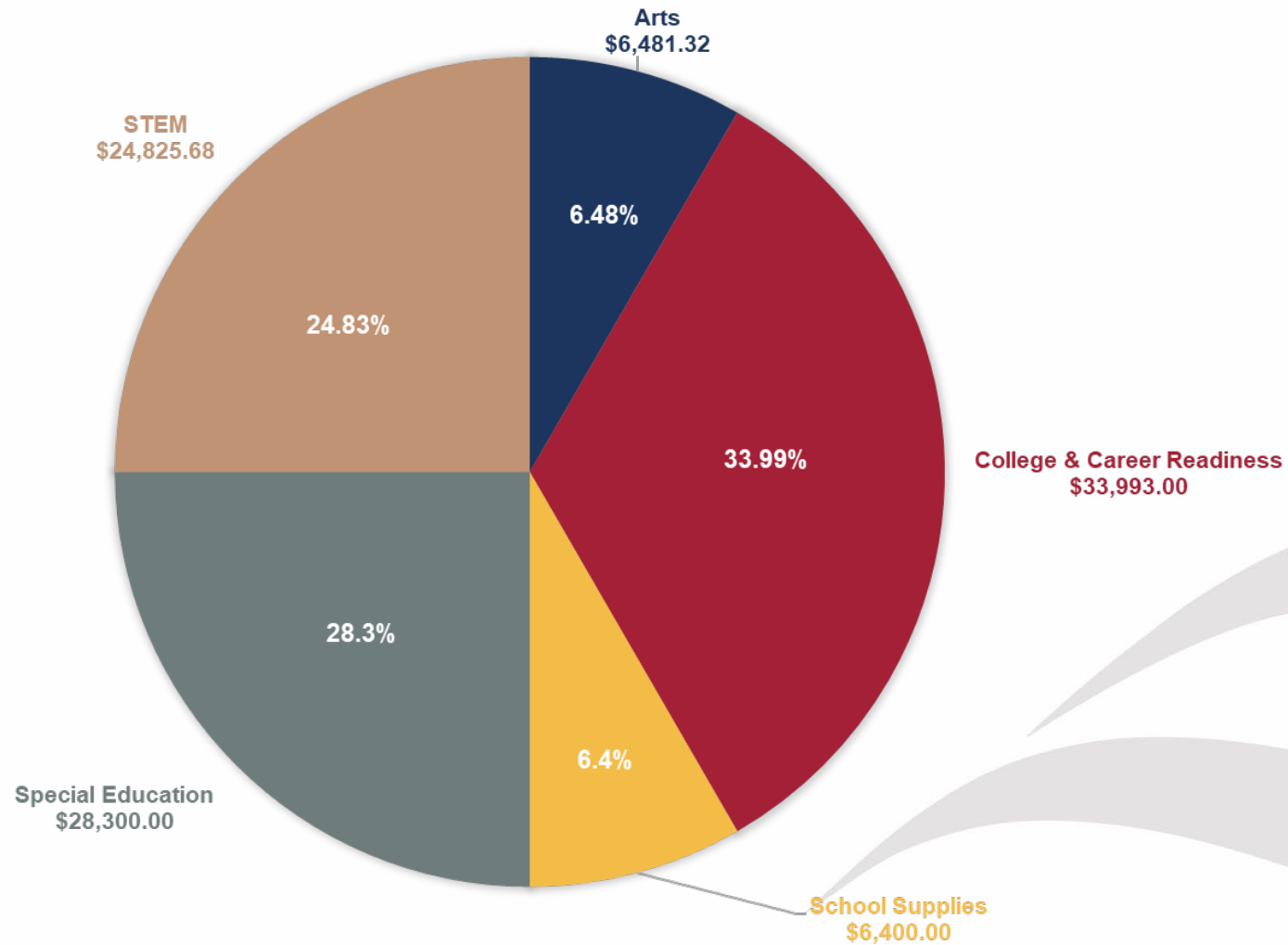


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FY25 PIE GRANT HIGHLIGHTS



- **12 Districts** Funded
- **\$100,000** Total Awarded
- **12 Grants** Empowering Local Schools
- \$100,000 allocated for FY26



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FY25 SCHOLARSHIP CELEBRATION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Scholarships Awarded:** 13 scholarships totaling **\$32,500**.
- **Participants:** Students, counselors, and family members from **7 school districts and 8 high schools** attended.
- **Words of Inspiration:** A former scholarship recipient shared advice and encouragement with attendees.
- **Stellar Bank – First-ever Scholarship Celebration underwriter**, helped bring this event to life.
- **H-E-B – Sponsored 2 student scholarships.**
- **In-Kind Donations:** Contributions from **Coca-Cola Southwest Beverages & La Brisa Ice Cream** enhanced the event experience.
- **\$30,000** allocated for FY26



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Civic Engagement FY 25 Highlights

Designed programs tailored for:

- Head Start Families
- CASE Students
- High School Students
- Adult Education Students

Engagement across HCDE:

- 2,803 Adults
- 2,118 Students
- 19 HCDE Partner Sites & Schools

- Recognized at City Hall for Civic Health Month.
- Hosted the Houston City Council At-Large #4 candidate forum.
- Created and taught specific civics lessons to help HCDE **Adult Education** students prepare for their GED Test.
- Hosted a summer civic art field trip across all **CASE** sites.
- Hosted a TX Capitol field trip for **Fortis Academy** & visited district Rep. Lauren Ashley Simmons.
- Presented at **Head Start** parent meetings regularly in Fall & Spring to share voter information and resources related to naturalization.

RECAP OF GOALS

FY24

1. Partnerships Director (HCDE/EFHC)
2. Increase Annual Donations (EFHC)
3. Diversify Funding Sources (HCDE/EFHC)
4. Increase Community Engagement (HCDE/EFHC)
5. Expand Board & Volunteer Base (EFHC)

FY25

1. Holiday Giving Campaign (EFHC)
2. Plan a 2nd Fundraiser Event (EFHC)
3. Increase Donor Stewardship (HCDE/EFHC)
4. 100% Board Contributions (EFHC)
5. Establish sustainable processes (HCDE/EFHC)

FY26

1. Tell Stories to Demonstrate Impact (EFHC)
2. Strengthen Board Engagement and Development (EFHC)
3. Expand Community and Corporate Engagement (EFHC)
4. Strengthen Community Partnerships (HCDE)
5. Streamline Grant Data Sharing (HCDE/EFHC)

WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?

