CHILDREN AT RISK

Our immigration and equity work at CHILDREN AT RISK is rooted in the following principles to ensure the rights of all children in Texas are protected and enjoyed freely.



HUMAN DIGNITY

Access to all necessary forms of humanitarian assistance should be available to all children including those seeking protection outside of their country of origin.



RIGHT TO EDUCATION

All children have a right to an education including access to quality affordable early childhood education.



FOOD, CLOTHING, AND A SAFE HOME

All children have a right to healthy food, clean water, clothing, and safe shelter.



PROTECTION IN DETENTION

Our government has a legal and moral obligation to provide children in custody and foster care with proper shelter, food, recreation, education, and medical care.



SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN

Children have a right to protection from exploitation including sexual and physical abuse. Safe mechanisms must be in place to report abuse without fear of deportation or change in status.



INTEGRITY OF FAMILIES

Children should not be separated from their parents, guardians, and caregivers who create a loving and safe home and upbringing.



NO DISCRIMINATION

No child should receive unfair treatment regardless of race, ethnicity, language spoken, status, country of origin, gender, or religion.



ACCOMODATIONS

Children with disabilities, medical conditions, and mental health diagnoses must have access to all necessary care, accommodations, and supports.



PROTECTION FROM UNSAFE WORK

Children have a right to work in safe conditions, doing safe tasks, for a fair wage, and at the designated legal age.



COMMUNITY ACCOUNTABILITY

Community partners, state and local leaders must work together to ensure children enjoy all of these rights. The best interest of the child must always be at the forefront.

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