

## How You Can Help Collaborate PASadena Grow

- Participate in a work group
- Collaborate throughout the community
- Volunteer for one of our projects
- Donate to PEF for Collaborate PASadena
- Stay informed
- Sign up for Groupsite
- Provide internships
- Offer a class
- Meet your neighbors
- Visit your local library
- Walk your neighborhood
- Support your neighborhood school
- Use your neighborhood park
- Thank a teacher
- Read to a child
- Encourage a parent

## For More Information About the Initiative

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## Sponsoring Organizations



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### What is Collaborate PASadena

Collaborate Pasadena is a framework under which new partnerships are developed, better working relationships are established and communication between partners and stakeholders is improved.

### Our Shared Vision

The children of Pasadena, Altadena and Sierra Madre all grow up in a safe, stable and supportive environment that prepares them for success in school and in life.

### Our Mission

The communities of Pasadena, Altadena and Sierra Madre collaborate to ensure desired outcomes for all children and families through the alignment of resources, shared accountability and meaningful participation of diverse stakeholders.

## How We Will Achieve Our Vision






Providing an environment that encourages success in children requires an effective guiding philosophy as well as a plan to put that philosophy into action.

## Our Guiding Principles

- The effort is transformative for communities and demonstrates positive results over time
- Our focus is on those in our community who most need support to achieve success
- Collaborate PASadena values diversity, inclusion and mutual respect
- Collaborate PASadena values transparency for all who participate
- Collaborate PASadena reinforces the strategic plans and established priorities of the Pasadena Unified School District and City of Pasadena
- Participation in Collaborate PASadena builds capacity for a next generation of leadership for the community

## How We Achieve Success

### 5 Key Conditions for Success

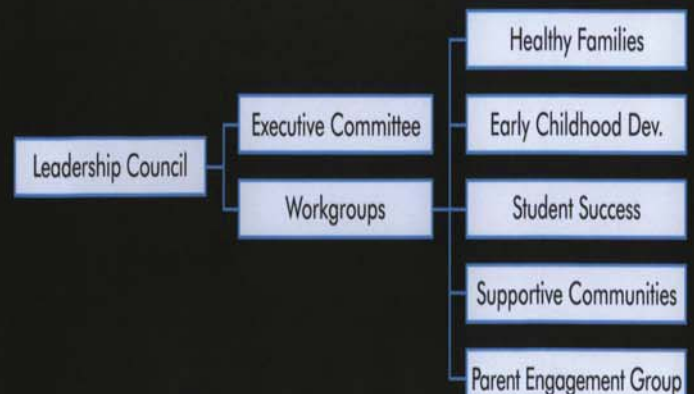
-  **Common Agenda**  
All participants have a shared vision for change
-  **Shared Measurement**  
Collecting data and measuring results consistently
-  **Mutually Reinforcing Activities**  
Participant activities are coordinated through a plan of action
-  **Continuous Communication**  
Consistent and open communication is needed
-  **Backbone Support**  
A separate, staffed organization serves as a backbone for the entire initiative

The Collective Impact Forum\FSG

## How We All Contribute to Our Shared Goal



## Our Organizational Structure



## Our Shared Goal 2016

## Goal 1

**Our Shared Goal: Children are able to read by the end of third grade**



2014-15 Baseline Indicator: 35% of third grade students in the Pasadena Unified School District met or exceeded the academic standards on the new state test for English language arts (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress)

This first annual Collaborate PASadena shared goal statement for Pasadena, Altadena and Sierra Madre is intended to provide a snapshot of our shared vision and priority for this year for improving outcomes for children, youth and families.

## Theory of Change



**IF** Collaborate PASadena mobilizes **SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES** to ensure that the **EARLY DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN** are met so that they are ready for school



**AND** High quality and comprehensive teaching is provided for every child



**AND** Systems of care are organized to provide the services needed so that children are **MENTALLY, PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY**



**THEN** Children will be on track to read at grade level at the end of third grade



**AND** They will be more likely to be **SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS** and graduate from high school ready for college and career



**THEN** They will be more likely to be successful in **COLLEGE AND CAREER** as well as being involved and caring friends, neighbors and family members

## Third Grade Reading Proficiency: The Facts

Generally, third grade marks the transition from “learning to read” to “reading to learn.” Research indicates that students with limited reading abilities have a harder time keeping up and those who fall behind in the early grades often stay behind, making it difficult for them to be successful later on in college or career.

## How You Can Help Achieve Our Shared Goal

- 1) **READ:** Be a reader and read around your kids all the time. Show your kids that you are interested in books.
- 2) **SHARE:** Read with your kids early, often and lovingly.
- 3) **TALK:** Talk about favorite books, authors, and stories with your kids and others.
- 4) **PROVIDE:** Keep books everywhere. Keep books in the car, in your travel bags and in every room of the house.
- 5) **EXPLORE:** Take regular outings to the library. Outings are always fun, and the library is a great place where kids can explore new books.
- 6) **BE CREATIVE:** Make reading and writing a part of everyday activities.
- 7) **STAY WITH IT:** Start these habits when your kids are young and never stop.

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## Libraries

Pasadena Public Library offers storytimes; books for fun, research and assignments; homework help; writing workshops; book clubs and more great programs and activities for all ages.

Best of all, our programs and services are free!

Central Library

285 E. Walnut Street • Pasadena, CA 91101 • (626) 744-4066

Other branch locations • [cityofpasadena.net/library/about\\_the\\_library/](http://cityofpasadena.net/library/about_the_library/)

Altadena Library Main Branch • [www.altadenalibrary.org](http://www.altadenalibrary.org)

600 East Mariposa St. • Altadena, CA 91001 • (626) 798-0833

Bob Lucas Branch

2659 Lincoln Ave. • Altadena, CA 91001 • (626) 798-8338

Sierra Madre Library • [cityofsierramadre.com/services/library](http://cityofsierramadre.com/services/library)

440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. • Sierra Madre, CA 91024 • (626)355-7186

## Reading Resources

Reading Partners • [readingpartners.org](http://readingpartners.org)

Reading is Fundamental of Southern California • [rifsocal.org](http://rifsocal.org)

Campaign for Grade-Level Reading • [gradelevelreading.net](http://gradelevelreading.net)

Reading Rockets • [readingrockets.org](http://readingrockets.org)