




Community Collaboration for Children's Success

Top South San Francisco Issues

1. **Housing costs, high cost of living, and lack of living wage job opportunities** (and lack of opportunities to build needed skills/knowledge needed to get living wage jobs)
2. **Mental health issues and substance use in youth are not identified or addressed**
3. **Not enough affordable or free afterschool, weekend, and summer activities**
4. **Not enough affordable, local childcare** (including on weekends, in evenings, and during the summer) **or preschool**
5. **Lack of supportive adults** (often because parents/caregivers are working multiple jobs and there are not enough opportunities for youth to connect with other supportive adults)

Top South San Francisco Strategies

SSF Strategies	
 <p>Tier 1 Strategies Ensuring that all children, youth, and families live in safe, healthy, and supportive environments</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change school disciplinary policies to keep children/youth in class and linked to needed supports/resources. 2. Leverage local law enforcement along with a response team to connect community members to services. 3. Expand work to improve the school environment and sense of community/school climate. 4. Provide free and confidential counseling and service referrals via crisis lines, particularly for those with severe mental health concerns. 5. Expand services available at schools and develop/expand the community navigator, <i>promotores</i>, and/or peer-to-peer model to help caregivers learn about, connect to, and navigate supportive services. 6. Provide mental/behavioral health services at neighborhood schools.
 <p>Tier 2 Strategies Building resilient children + youth by expanding developmental assets</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Promote use of evidence-based social-emotional learning curricula in schools and other environments, as well as related evidence-based early intervention programs.
 <p>Tier 3 Strategies Providing targeted support to address unmet needs at key ages</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Expand subsidized preschool spots and childcare for lower-income families. 9. Expand affordable (or free) after school, weekend, and summer enrichment opportunities for lower-income children and youth. 10. Expand living wage job opportunities for identified at-risk parents/caregivers and youth. 11. Adopt and/or expand "housing first" approach to keep vulnerable families housed. 12. Pilot a targeted basic income initiative.