
2019 COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Welcome to the revised and expanded **Houston Independent School District (HISD) Family and Community Engagement (FACE) 2018 Community Resource Guide**. Its primary intended audiences are administrators and teachers in HISD and the parents, guardians, families, and communities they serve.

Structure and Organization

In its fifth edition, the **2018 Community Resource Guide** now includes 47 topics and 1,160 profiles. The profiles encompass 530 unique organizations. A profile is the total description of an entry. An entry is an organization and its total profile under a given topic. A topic is the total collection of profiles for a specific area of interest. The **Guide** consistently uses 15 headings as prompts for information. A heading is a specific question of interest. Each heading is repeated across all entries and within all topics.

Methods Used

In identifying possible topics and profiles for this new, revised edition of the **Guide**, HISD FACE staff members:

1. Used service providers' websites as the primary information resource.
2. Consulted with peers in other departments for input and insights about service providers.
3. Sent emails with questions to selected organizations for which there were gaps in information.
4. Made phone calls to selected organizations for which there were also gaps in information.
5. Reviewed successive drafts to assess quality, completeness, and ease of use.
6. Included a **Product Evaluation Form** for feedback from schools, families, and other users.

Disclaimer

This revised **Guide** is intended to be a quick reference resource for HISD schools and families. Inclusion in it does not denote endorsement or recommendation. Please send information about new resources, as well as any updates, corrections, and comments to FACE@HoustonISD.org.

Evaluation Form

A two-page Product Evaluation Form appears at the end of the PDF version of the **Guide** and at the end of each of its topic briefs. We would welcome your feedback!

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51. Nigerian-American Multicultural Center
52. PFLAG Houston – Speakers Bureau

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55. Prevent Blindness Texas
56. SCORE Houston
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	Phone	Ages/Grades Served	Costs	Onsite at Schools	Languages
1	713-224-9911	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
2	Not available	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
3	713-314-1313 800-272-3900	Age 17 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	Chinese, English, Korean, Spanish
4	713-942-8146	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
5	713-977-7706	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
6	713-918-4030	Grades K-12	Free	Yes	Chinese, English, Spanish, Vietnamese
7	281-274-2668 281-274-2667	Grades PK-12	Costs vary	Yes	English
8	713-986-6024 713-986-6029	Grades 9-12 and Adults ages 18+	Costs vary	Yes	English
9	713-353-1508	All ages	Free	Yes	English
10	713-222-2482	Ages 0-5	Costs vary	No	English
11	713-659-2111 713-207-6923	Grades K-12 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
12	713-374-1252	Ages 12-17 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
13	713-481-6555	Grades PK-12	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
14	713-869-7740	Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
15	713-986-3300	Ages 0-17	Costs vary	Yes	English
16	832-393-0931	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish, others
17	311 713-884-4554	Ages 13-17 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Urdu, Vietnamese
18	713-739-7514	All ages	Free	Yes	English
19	713-630-5603	Ages 10-17 and Adults ages 18-20	Free	Yes	English
20	713-521-4600 832-849-1585	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
21	713-533-4500	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish, others
22	713-974-7691	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
23	713-755-8274	Grades K-12 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
24	713-789-6295	Grades K-12 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
25	713-780-2833	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	American Sign Language, Chinese, English, Hindi, Korean, Punjabi, Spanish, Taiwanese, Urdu, Vietnamese

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26	281-446-2615	All ages	Free	No	English
27	713-571-9121	Grades 4-12	Costs vary	Yes	English
28	409-763-4769	All ages	Free	Yes	English
29	713-274-5800	Grade 5	Free	Yes	English
30	713-566-6400	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
31	713-942-8000	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English
32	713-535-3286	All ages	Free	Yes	English
33	713-759-1133	All ages	Free	Yes	English
34	832-831-9234	Grades 9-12	Free	Yes	English
35	713-839-8855	Grades 3-6	Costs vary	Yes	English
36	713-750-9607	Grades K-12 and Adults ages 18+	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
37	832-394-7228	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
38	832-369-9209	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
39	713-433-6421	All ages	Free	Yes	English
40	713-491-5874 713-491-5729	Grades PK-12	Costs vary	Yes	Arabic, English, Spanish, Vietnamese
41	713-556-7213	Grades PK-12	Costs vary	Yes	Arabic, English, Spanish, Vietnamese
42	832-429-4432	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
43	281-440-2533	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
44	713-869-7722 Ext. 143	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English
45	713-533-6500 713-533-6739	Grades PK-12	Costs vary	Yes	English
46	713-533-4978	Ages 60+	Free	Yes	English
47	713-667-9336	All ages	Costs vary	No	English, Hebrew, Russian
48	713-266-8777 281-282-6032	Grades PK-12 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
49	281-483-7836	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
50	713-970-4419 713-970-4489	All ages	Free	Yes	Arabic, Chinese, English, Spanish, others
51	713-568-9450	Grades 9-12	Costs vary	Yes	English, Hausa, Igbo, Yoruba
52	713-467-3524	Ages 12-17 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English
53	713-670-2893	Grades 4-5 and Grades 9-12	Free	Yes	English
54	713-812-0044	All ages	Free	No	English, Spanish
55	713-526-2559 Ext. 109	Adults ages 18+ and Grades K-8	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
56	713-487-6565	Grades 9-12	Free	Yes	English
57	832-930-7224	All ages	Free	Yes	English
58	713-496-0100	Grades 9-12	Costs vary	No	Amharic, Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), English, Farsi, French, Hindi, Korean, Spanish, Urdu
59	713-226-4953	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
60	713-599-0235	Grades K-12 and Adults ages 18+	Free	Yes	English
61	512-424-2000	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
62	713-472-0753	All ages	Free	Yes	English
63	202-293-1217	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
64	713-500-3081	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
65	281-238-8096	All ages	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
66	832-448-0538	Grades K-12	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
67	713-743-2051	All ages	Costs vary	Yes	English, Spanish
68	713-758-9180	All ages	Free	Yes	English

Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse

Address: 1001 Texas Avenue, Suite 600, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Sherri Kendall, Executive Director

Phone: 713-224-9911

Fax: 713-715-6935 or 713-715-6945

Email: SherriK@avda-tx.org

Website: <http://avda-tx.org>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 32, 82, 161, 162, 219

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires proof of family income for non-emergency services. • Must have experienced recent physical or sexual abuse or a pattern of abuse within the household. • Residency, citizenship, and immigration status requirements vary based on the status of a situation as an emergency or a non-emergency.

Costs: Costs vary. • May require a fee for some services. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools, health fairs, and other places.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers speakers on domestic violence, healthy relationships, and related topics • Provides crisis counseling, legal representation, safety planning, victim advocacy, and battering intervention and prevention programs. • Provides a victims support group. • Legal representation is available in 50+ languages.

Alternative Behavior

Address: 10710 Sagetrail Drive, Houston, TX 77089

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: No fixed hours

Contact: James Odom, Director

Phone: Not available

Fax: 281-481-3451

Email: james@alternativebehavior.org

Website: <http://www.alternativebehavior.org>

Local Bus Routes: 88

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Charges an hourly rate with a two-hour minimum. • Email to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers two-hour presentations about abuse of alcohol and tobacco, bullying on campus, gang prevention and awareness, and understanding anger.

Alzheimer's Association Houston and Southeast Texas Chapter – Speakers Bureau

Address: 6055 South Loop East, Houston, TX 77087

Area Served: Texas: Southeast

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

Contact: Jessica Abad-Serpas, Outreach Director

Phone: 713-314-1313 or 800-272-3900

Fax: 713-314-1315

Email: General questions: info@alz.org. • Programs: jessica.abadserpas@alz.org.

Website: <http://www.alz.org/texas>

Local Bus Routes: 900 (METRO rail), 5

Ages/Grades Served: Speakers: Age 17 and adults ages 18+. • Health Fair and Walk to End Alzheimer Volunteers: Grades 7-12.

Eligibility: Requires an adult to supervise student volunteers in its Health Fair and Walk to End Alzheimer. • May require registration for educational programs. • Speaker requests must arrive 30 days before the date of the event, or 45 days before the event if it is for a bilingual audience.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools about Alzheimer disease and other dementias.

Languages: Chinese, English, Korean, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides trained volunteers to speak at schools and other organizations on topics related to Alzheimer disease and other dementias. • Welcomes adult-supervised secondary school volunteers in its awareness programs.

American Civil Liberties Union of Texas – Speakers Bureau

Address: 1500 McGowen Street, Houston, TX 77004

Area Served: Texas

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Terri Burke, Executive Director

Phone: 713-942-8146

Fax: 713-942-8966

Email: acluinfo@aclutx.org

Website: <https://www.aclutx.org>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 44, 85

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires at least one month of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present about civil liberties and civil rights at schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides presentations about civil liberties and civil rights. • Advocates for individual civil liberties and civil rights. • Provides information about discrimination against immigrants, the civil rights of immigrants, and how to protect those civil rights. • Also provides information about discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) persons, the civil rights of LGBT persons, and how to protect those civil rights.

American Diabetes Association – Professional and Public Education

Address: 7670 Woodway Drive, Suite 230, Houston, TX 77063

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Mary Baumann

Phone: 713-977-7706

Fax: 713-977-6277

Email: mbaumann@diabetes.org

Website: <http://www.diabetes.org/in-my-community/local-offices/houston-texas>

Local Bus Routes: 47, 70

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires that a school that hosts one of its guest speakers also participate in the School Walk for Diabetes Program. • The Walk is an educational school fund-raising program that advances diabetes research, education, and advocacy and promotes healthy living, school spirit, and community involvement.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers presentations about diabetes. • Presents material specific to African Americans, Native Americans, Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and Latinos. •

Discusses how to manage diabetes, risk factors for it, and who may be at risk of it. • Also offers workshops for teachers and nurses about preventing childhood obesity through coordinated school health.

American Heart Association Houston Division – Speakers Bureau and Public Education

Address: 10060 Buffalo Speedway, Houston, TX 77054

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Yara El-Sayed, Executive Director

Phone: 713-918-4030

Fax: 713-610-5200

Email: yara.el-sayed@heart.org

Website: http://www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Affiliate/Houston/Texas/Home_UCM_SWA001_AffiliatePage.jsp

Local Bus Routes: 14, 84

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires an application.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers speakers, an extensive collection of lesson plans, and a cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training kit for schools.

Languages: Chinese, English, Spanish, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Provides programs as requested on cardiovascular disease, risk factors, healthy-heart lifestyles, and research for youth and adults. • Offers a portable CPR in Schools Training Kit for secondary schools usable for training 10 students at a time and offers extensive lesson plans for Grades K-8.

Armand Bayou Nature Center – Outreach Program

Address: 8500 Bay Area Boulevard, Pasadena, TX 77507

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Wednesday-Saturday, 9am-5pm, Sunday, 12pm-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-3pm and other times by arrangement.

Contact: Kathy Gardner, Program Coordinator

Phone: 281-274-2668 or 281-274-2667

Fax: 281-474-2552

Email: General questions: abnc@abnc.org. • Field trips: kathy@abnc.org.

Website: <http://www.abnc.org/education/outreach-programs.html>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires 21 days of advance notice for presentations. • Limits presentations to two hour-long consecutive sessions per day.

Costs: Costs vary. • Charges \$200 per one-hour presentation. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers make outreach presentations at schools.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers hour-long, hands-on, interactive demonstrations about reptiles, birds, and mammals at the Center and their adaptations to bayou, forest, and prairie ecosystems. • Designs demonstrations to be appropriate to participating grade levels. • Also operates weeklong day camps in the summer and a pair of two-day day camps in the winter.

Baylor College of Medicine – Sports Medicine

Address: 7200 Cambridge Street, Suite 10A, Houston, TX 77030

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm. • Speakers: Any time pending speaker availability.

Contact: Samantha Burton or Meghan McKay

Phone: 713-986-6024 or 713-986-6029

Fax: Not available

Email: General questions: sportsmed@bcm.edu. • Outreach: Meghan.McKay@bcm.edu.
Website: <https://www.bcm.edu/healthcare/care-centers/sports-medicine/community-education>
Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 56, 298
Ages/Grades Served: Grades 9-12 and adults ages 18+
Eligibility: No area restrictions.
Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.
Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present to parents, administrators, and other audiences.
Languages: English
Direct Services: Offers presentations about athletic training as a career, concussions, emergency medical care, emergency planning, injury care, injury prevention, nutrition, sports equipment education, sports medicine and athletic training as careers, and strength and conditioning. • Also offers training in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens – Speakers Bureau

Address: 6003 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77007
Area Served: Greater Houston
Days/Hours: Museum: Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-5pm, Sunday, 1pm-5pm. • Speakers: Tuesday-Friday, 10am-3pm.
Contact: Lavinia Ignat
Phone: 713-353-1508
Fax: Not available
Email: bayoubend@mfah.org
Website: <https://www.mfah.org/visit/bayou-bend-collection-and-gardens/education-programs-bayou-bend>
Local Bus Routes: 20, 71, 85
Ages/Grades Served: All ages
Eligibility: Speakers are available to the general public.
Costs: Free
Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Docents present at schools and other places.
Languages: English
Direct Services: Offers presentations, illustrated with slides, about antiques, gardens, history, decorating, or the lifestyles of Americans in the past. • Has 60+ presentation topics available.

Center in Houston for Infant Learning and Development

Address: 1112 Prairie Street, Houston, TX 77002
Area Served: Houston
Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 7am-6pm
Contact: Aaron Carrara
Phone: 713-222-2482
Fax: 713-222-6836
Email: General questions: info@DiscoverCHILD.org. • Programs: Aaron.Carrara@DiscoverCHILD.org.
Website: <http://www.discoverchild.org/speakers-forum>
Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 20, 40, 82
Ages/Grades Served: Ages 0-5
Eligibility: No area restrictions.
Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.
Onsite at Schools: No
Languages: English
Direct Services: Promotes early childhood education through seminars, training, and dissemination of educational materials for parents and others.

Center Point Energy – Speakers Bureau

Address: PO Box 4981, Houston, TX 77210

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-7:30pm.

Contact: Geoffrey Castro

Phone: Office: 713-659-2111. • Speakers: 713-207-6923.

Fax: Not available

Email: geoffrey.castro@centerpointenergy.com

Website: <http://www.centerpointenergy.com/en-us/residential/safety/electric-safety?sa=ho>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Requires at least 21 days of advance notice when requesting a speaker. • Provides an online form to request speakers and a brochure about its speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Presents for 30-45 minutes about indoor electrical safety (electrical outages, use of electrical appliances, proper wiring, circuit breakers, fuse boxes, space heaters, portable generators) and outdoor electrical safety (guy wires, utility poles, power lines, fallen electrical wires, electric meters, pad-mount transformers). • Offers speakers about natural gas safety, energy conservation, smart meters, and hurricane preparedness. • Offers safety and career day speakers and demonstrations for Grades K-5 and free teacher materials for Grades K-12.

Change Happens! – Speakers Bureau

Address: 3353 Elgin Street, Houston, TX 77004

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8am-6pm, and Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Stephen Smith, School-Based Prevention Programs Coordinator

Phone: 713-374-1252

Fax: 713-651-8045

Email: General questions: info@changehappenstx.org. • Programs: ssmith@changehappenstx.org.

Website: <http://www.changehappenstx.org/rescue-youth-program>

Local Bus Routes: 900 (METRO rail), 29

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 12-17 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Must be located within the service area.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers presentations of 15-60 minutes on a flexible range of topics. • Also offers mentoring, tutoring, character building discussions, and enrichment activities. • Teaches children life skills and how to handle problems constructively. • Helps in preventing youth involvement in alcohol, drugs, gangs, and other self-destructive activities.

ChildBuilders

Address: 2425 Fountain View Drive, Suite 210, Houston, TX 77057

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm.

Contact: Amanda Siroosian, Program Director

Phone: 713-481-6555

Fax: 713-481-6548

Email: childbuilders@childbuilders.org

Website: <http://childbuilders.org/solutions/parenting-education>

Local Bus Routes: 32, 33, 49, 82

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires advance notice for speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present about child safety in schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers workshops customized by topic, length, content, and audience. • Speakers present on assertive behavior, building confidence and resilience, child abuse prevention, child safety, healthy parenting, Internet safety, personal safety, relationships, social-emotional learning, and violence prevention. • Also provides for students a parent education program, a personal safety education program (how to handle threatening situations and how to avoid bullying and Internet dangers), and a relationship education program (for secondary school students only).

Children at Risk

Address: 2900 Wesleyan Street, Suite 400, Houston, TX 77027

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm, and other times pending speaker availability.

Contact: Melanie Richmond, AmeriCorps/VISTA Outreach Coordinator

Phone: 713-869-7740

Fax: 713-869-3409

Email: General questions: info@childrenatrisk.org. • Programs: mrichmond@childrenatrisk.org.

Website: <http://childrenatrisk.org/content>

Local Bus Routes: 82, 84

Ages/Grades Served: Adults ages 18+

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Provides an online form to request speakers. • Requires at least 30 days of advance notice for speaker requests.

Costs: Free. • Speakers and many online reports are available at no cost.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers presentations of varying durations on parenting, school improvement and school rankings, and legislation and advocacy. • Operates the Center for Parenting and Family Well-Being. • Trains providers of parent education services, promotes positive parent-child relationships, advocates for effective parent support programs, and raises awareness of best practices and evidence-based strategies.

Children's Assessment Center

Address: 2500 Bolsover Street, Houston, TX 77005

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Elaine Stolte, Executive Director

Phone: 713-986-3300

Fax: 713-986-3553

Email: General questions: info@cac.hctx.net. • Programs: elaine.stolte@cac.hctx.net.

Website: <http://www.cachouston.org>

Local Bus Routes: 27, 41, 84

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 0-17

Eligibility: Must be a child victim of abuse, a sibling of a child victim of abuse, or a non-offending caregiver of a child victim of abuse.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides speakers about preventing child abuse and neglect. • Offers such services as crisis intervention, psychological evaluations, and group, family, and individual therapy of child victims, siblings, and non-offending caregivers. • Provides a safe haven for children while awaiting services or during investigations of alleged abuse. • Provides resources about prevention, intervention, and treatment of child sexual abuse.

City of Houston – Mayor’s Anti-Gang Office

Address: 901 Bagby Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm

Contact: Patricia Harrington, Division Manager

Phone: Presentations: 832-393-0931. • Youth and Family Workshops: 832-393-0891.

Fax: 832-393-0903

Email: patricia.harrington@houstontx.gov

Website: <http://www.houstontx.gov/antigang/programs.html>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 85, 162, 219

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires at least 30 days of advance notice for requests for anti-gang speakers. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, Korean, Spanish, Urdu, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Provides youth and family workshops to build gang awareness and resistance skills. • Offers community outreach, education, and training on gang awareness. • Offers individual and group mentoring programs in four neighborhoods. • Also focuses on reducing truancy and on school-based intervention strategies.

City of Houston – Office of Emergency Management

Address: 5320 North Shepherd Drive, Houston, TX 77091

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm, and on weekends and evenings pending speaker availability.

Contact: Michael Walter, Public Information Officer

Phone: 713-884-4554 or 311

Fax: 713-884-4545

Email: Michael.Walter@houstontx.gov

Website: <http://houstontx.gov/oem>

Local Bus Routes: 27, 40, 44

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 13-17 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Requires at least two weeks of advance notice for requests for presentations. • Requires an audience of at least 30 persons and a facility large enough for it. • Note that OEM offices at the Houston Emergency Center are in a secure facility not open to the public.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Urdu, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Offers Disaster Preparedness Guides for families and 30- to 60-minute presentations for students. • Provides Guides in eight languages and presentations in English or Spanish. • Presentations and Guides both cover disaster preparedness as a whole, emergency kits, emergency plans, evacuation routes, and tips for staying informed. • A Ready Super Heroes Program also supports teachers who conduct disaster preparedness education in the classroom.

Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County

Address: 600 Jefferson Street, Suite 2050, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Information and Referral: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day.

Contact: Eva Thibaudeau, Director of Programs

Phone: 713-739-7514

Fax: 713-739-8038

Email: ethibaudeau@homelesshouston.org

Website: <http://www.homelesshouston.org/news/press-room/speakers-bureau>

Local Bus Routes: 85, 162

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Information about homelessness is available to the general public. • Provides an online speaker request form. • Requires at least one month of advance notice for requests for presentations.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present about homelessness at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers one-hour presentations about the complex problem of homelessness, prevention of homelessness, resources for homeless families, and local demographics and factors leading to homelessness. • Advocates for preventing and ending homelessness. • Provides information about shelter, specialized housing, licensed care homes, and assistance programs. • Offers a guide to shelters. • Publishes reports about homeless school children in Houston.

Covenant House Texas – Runaway Prevention Initiative

Address: 1111 Lovett Boulevard, Houston, TX 77006

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day

Contact: Mike Blockson, Prevention Specialist

Phone: 713-630-5603

Fax: Not available

Email: mblockson@covenanthousetx.org

Website: <https://www.covenanthousetx.org/Programs>

Local Bus Routes: 56, 82, 298

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 10-17 and adults ages 18-20

Eligibility: Must be a student at risk of delinquent behavior, dropout, gang involvement, running away, substance abuse, or teen pregnancy. • Accepts walk-ins.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present about runaways at schools and community centers.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Operates a runaway prevention program. • Provides peer educators to speak about the consequences of becoming teenage parents, committing crimes, dropping out of school, joining gangs, running away, and using drugs. • Provides a crisis shelter. • Provides programs for transitional living, permanent housing, street outreach, and aftercare. • Offers healthcare, case management, and counseling for mental health and substance abuse. • Also offers educational training, vocational training, and life skills training.

Crime Stoppers of Houston Inc.

Address: 3001 Main Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm. • Speakers: Any time pending speaker availability.

Contact: Michelle Sacks, Safe School Program Manager

Phone: General questions: 713-521-4600. • Safe School Program: 832-849-1585.

Fax: 713-521-0402

Email: info@crime-stoppers.org

Website: <http://crime-stoppers.org/our-programs/safe-school-program>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 85, 261, 283

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers the Safe School Program to all schools. • Offers speakers about child safety topics to present to parents and students at schools and other community organizations.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Operates a program about public safety and campus security for Grades 6-12. • Also operates a program about citizenship, respect, and safety for school campuses for Grades PK-6. • Offers 20- to 60-minute presentations to parents and students about child safety topics such as bullying, child abuse and neglect, domestic violence, drugs on campus, human trafficking, Internet safety, school violence, teenage dating safety, and underage drinking. • Also publishes monthly safety tips, which are available online.

Crisis Intervention of Houston Inc. – Community Education

Address: 3701 Kirby Drive, Suite 540, Houston, TX 77098

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

Contact: Naomi Madrid, Executive Director or Chandra Sanders, Community Outreach Coordinator

Phone: 713-533-4500

Fax: 713-527-0435

Email: General questions: info@crisishotline.org. • Speakers: outreach@crisishotline.org.

Website: <https://crisishotline.org/services-and-programs>

Local Bus Routes: 25, 27, 41, 84

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Some services, such as speakers, require an application.

Costs: Costs vary. • Calls to hotlines are free. • Call to ask about specific costs for speakers.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English, Spanish, and 200+ other languages available through the Language Line

Direct Services: Provides speakers about bullying, crisis intervention, grief processes, suicide prevention, suicide warning signs, and communication and listening skills. • Offers information about alcoholism, depression, drug abuse, and suicide. • Also offers information about physical, sexual, and verbal abuse.

Disability Rights Texas – East Region

Address: 1500 McGowen Street, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77004

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm. • Intake: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm.

Contact: Mary Faithfull, Executive Director

Phone: 713-974-7691

Fax: 713-974-7695

Email: Not available

Website: <https://www.disabilityrightstx.org>

Local Bus Routes: 11, 54

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Speaker requests require four weeks of notice before the event. • Focuses on persons with disabilities and parents of children with disabilities.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present keynote addresses or breakout sessions to community groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers 24-hour online intake except when the office is closed for holidays. • Service priorities include accessibility, community living, education, employment, healthcare, housing, protection and civil rights, transportation, and voting rights. • Offers resource handouts about legal rights and advocacy.

Dispute Resolution Center – Harris County

Address: 49 San Jacinto Street, Suite 220, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • **Speakers:** Monday-Friday, 8am-3pm, and other times by arrangement.

Contact: Moiya Press-Jackson

Phone: 713-755-8274

Fax: 713-755-8885

Email: General questions: email@drchouston.org. • Outreach: moiya@drchouston.org.

Website: <https://drc.harriscountytexas.gov/en-usa/Pages/CommunityOutreach.aspx>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 20, 85, 151, 161, 162

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Must live in the service area. • Requires a parent or a legal guardian to accompany all minor children at its facilities.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Based at Harris County Annex 21, provides mediation services. • Offers speakers to present to schools, parent groups, and other organizations that create public awareness of its services. • Attorneys, schools, courts, and/or the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department may refer students and other parties to the Center. • Offers programs for juvenile/victim offender mediation, special education mediation, and truancy mediation. • Provides community-based mediation and family mediation services.

Epilepsy Foundation of Texas – Epilepsy Education in Schools

Address: 2401 Fountain View Drive, Suite 900, Houston, TX 77057

Area Served: Texas: Southeast

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm. • **Speakers:** Any time pending speaker availability.

Contact: Kentrie LeDee, Education Coordinator

Phone: 713-789-6295

Fax: 713-789-5628

Email: General questions: education@eftx.org. • Speakers: kleddee@eftx.org.

Website: <http://eftx.org/programs/education-programs>

Local Bus Routes: 25, 32, 49, 82

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Provides seizures training for school personnel. • Speakers present at schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides information and materials for students and school staff. • Offers 45- to 60-minute presentations on the causes and prevention of epilepsy, seizure recognition and first aid, how epilepsy affects psychological, social, and educational life, and how to manage seizures. • Also offers a 3½ -hour course for school nurses on managing seizures. • Although presentations are in English, resource materials are also available in Spanish.

Family Enrichment Clinic

Address: 7100 Regency Square, Suite 136, Houston, TX 77036

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-6pm, Saturday, 9am-2pm

Contact: Minly Sung, Outreach Coordinator

Phone: 713-780-2833

Fax: 713-780-2838

Email: office@familyenrichmentclinic.com

Website: <http://www.familyenrichmentclinic.com/Services.html>

Local Bus Routes: 152, 153

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Must have a psychological evaluation before diagnosis and treatment.

Costs: Costs vary. • Accepts most major health insurance plans, Medicaid, and self-pay. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers seminars and workshops at schools.

Languages: American Sign Language, Chinese, English, Hindi, Korean, Punjabi, Spanish, Taiwanese, Urdu, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Offers workshops about anger management, cultural awareness, effective communication, family enrichment, parenting, and stress management. • Offers play therapy for young children and psychosocial evaluations. • Also offers psychotherapy and counseling for individuals, couples, families, and groups.

Family Time Crisis and Counseling Center

Address: 1203 South Houston Avenue, Humble, TX 77338

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day

Contact: Judy Cox, Executive Director

Phone: 281-446-2615

Fax: 281-446-3691

Email: Not available

Website: <http://www.familytimeecc.org/family-violence>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Must be a victim of family violence or a family member of a victim.

Costs: Free to victims. • Call to ask about specific costs for speakers.

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides public education and professional training on sexual assault and family violence issues. • Provides emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children, individual and group counseling to families, and help through its 24-hour helpline. • Helps victims obtain legal, medical, transportation, housing, employment services. • Also helps victims to apply for compensation for crime victims.

First and Goal Inc.

Address: PO Box 941176, Houston, TX 77094

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Tyrone Smith, President

Phone: 713-571-9121

Fax: Not available

Email: info@teamfirstandgoal.org

Website: <http://www.teamfirstandgoal.org/Programs.htm>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 4-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Speakers present at school general assemblies on topics related to violence prevention, youth leadership, motivation, goal-setting, and decision making. • Offers staff development workshops on sensitivity, respect, and diversity in the curriculum.

Galveston Island Beach Patrol

Address: 301 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, TX 77550

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Speakers: Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm if staff is available.

Contact: Lieutenant Kara Harrison

Phone: 409-763-4769

Fax: 409-763-5868

Email: General questions: beachpatrol@galvestonparkboard.org. • Speakers:

kharrison@galvestonparkboard.org.

Website: <http://texasbeachsafety.org/water-safety>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Focuses on elementary schools, but can present to secondary schools.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present water safety talks to school assemblies, Health and Physical Education classes, and parent groups.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers 45-minute, interactive, large-group presentations about water safety and offers shorter presentations for individual classes. • Provides water safety educational activities and supporting educational materials, and offers 12 water safety tips on its website.

Harris County District Attorney's Office – HOPE Program

Address: 1201 Franklin Street, Suite 600, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Jessica Milligan

Phone: 713-274-5800

Fax: Not available

Email: Not available

Website: <https://app.dao.hctx.net/CrimePrevention/HOPE.aspx>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 20, 51, 137

Ages/Grades Served: Grade 5

Eligibility: Provides an online speaker request form.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers make presentations at schools.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers one-hour presentations about proper pet care. • Provides age-appropriate information about animal cruelty laws and what students should do if they encounter animal cruelty.

Harris Health System

Address: 2525 Holly Hall Street, Houston, TX 77054

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Not available

Phone: 713-566-6400

Fax: Health fair requests: 832-487-2081.

Email: Not available

Website: <https://www.harrishealth.org/en/news/speaker-bureau/pages/default.aspx>

Local Bus Routes: 11, 60

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires two months of advance notice for requests to participate in community health fairs. • Requires 30 days of advance notice for requests for speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Charges fees on a sliding scale based on income. • Accepts Medicaid, Medicare, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and other insurance plans. • Call to ask about specific costs.
Onsite at Schools: Yes. • One of six school-based clinics is at an HISD middle school. • Participates in community health fairs at schools and other organizations.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers presentations on topics related to health and wellness. • Provides health screenings and education at community health fairs. • Offers acute care, primary care, and specialty care at community health centers and school-based clinics. • School-based clinics provide chronic disease management, health education, immunizations, and treatment of minor and acute illnesses. • School-based clinics also provide developmental assessments, lead and anemia screening, physical examinations, Texas Health Steps screening, and vision and hearing tests.

Holocaust Museum Houston – Speakers Bureau

Address: 5401 Caroline Street, Houston, TX 77004

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Museum: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm, Saturday, 10am-5pm, Sunday, 12pm-5pm. • Boniuk Library: Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm.

Contact: Kelly Zuniga, Executive Director or Mary Lee Webeck, Director of Education

Phone: 713-942-8000

Fax: 713-942-7953

Email: speakers@hmh.org

Website: https://www.hmh.org/ed_Speakers%20Bureau.shtml

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 56

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Single presentations are \$125 for groups of fewer than 50 persons or \$250 for groups of more than 50 persons. • Second same-day presentations are \$50 for groups of fewer than 50 persons or \$100 for groups of more than 50 persons. • Requested honoraria are \$100-\$1,000. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Some Holocaust survivors will speak to school or civic groups.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers 45-minute or longer presentations about the Holocaust, by Holocaust survivors, adult children of Holocaust survivors, and Holocaust Museum staff.

Houston Ballet – Speakers Bureau

Address: 601 Preston Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm.

Contact: Lauren Anderson, Program Manager, Education and Community Engagement

Phone: 713-535-3286

Fax: Not available

Email: General questions: hboutreach@houstonballet.org. • Programs: landerson@houstonballet.org.

Website: <https://www.houstonballet.org/about/ece/resources-for-teachers--parents>

Local Bus Routes: 85, 162, 219

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers 20- to 60-minute presentations about motivation, career development, women in the arts, history of ballet, artistic topics (dance, music, production), and related topics. • Also offers the Chance to Dance program to schools that have enrollments that are 75% or more economically disadvantaged.

Houston Bar Association – Speakers Bureau

Address: 1111 Bagby Street, FLB 200, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

Contact: Ashley Gagnon Steininger, Education Director

Phone: 713-759-1133

Fax: 713-759-1710

Email: ashleyg@hba.org

Website: <http://www.hba.org/services/speakers-bureau>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 85, 161, 162

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires proof of residence and proof of income. • Must live in Harris County. • Requires at least 21 days of advance notice for speaker requests. • Provides a form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers are available to any school.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers community support through a dispute resolution center, an elder law program, a volunteer lawyers program, a legal questions help line, and a lawyer referrals service. • Offers speakers on 50 topics such as immigration law, family law, personal injury law, and how to hire an attorney.

Houston CPA Society – Speakers Bureau

Address: 777 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 600, Houston, TX 77056

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Any time pending speaker availability.

Contact: Frances Boeckers, Membership Marketing Manager

Phone: 832-831-9234

Fax: Not available

Email: fboeckers@houstoncpa.org

Website: http://www.houstoncpa.org/IMIS15/HoustonCPA/Resources/Speakers_Bureau.aspx

Local Bus Routes: 33

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 9-12

Eligibility: Requires at least three weeks of advance notice before an event.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers speakers and career awareness materials to schools for use at career day events and presentations. • Provides a speakers bureau directory. • Offers to tailor a presentation to a particular request.

Houston Clean City Commission Inc. – Speakers Bureau

Address: 3000 Richmond Avenue, Suite 350, Houston, TX 77098

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, before, during, or after school pending speaker availability.

Contact: Audrey Lauzon-Laroche, Program Manager

Phone: 713-839-8855

Fax: 713-839-8880

Email: General questions: contact@houstonbeautiful.org. • Programs: alaroche@houstonbeautiful.org.

Website: <http://www.houstonbeautiful.org>

Local Bus Routes: 25, 41, 84

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 3-6

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Costs vary. • Charges \$100 per presentation for materials, time, and transportation. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers visit classrooms to speak about varied environmental topics.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers 45- to 60-minute presentations on recycling, litter prevention, urban runoff, water pollution, community clean-up, and beautification projects. • Offers extensive curriculum and teacher training on varied environmental topics. • Helps schools with beautification and landscaping projects in their neighborhoods and on school property. • Helps schools develop outdoor environmental learning centers.

Houston Eating Disorders Specialists – Speakers Bureau

Address: 701 North Post Oak Road, Suite 205, Houston, TX 77024

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Any time pending speaker availability.

Contact: Debbie Grammas

Phone: 713-750-9607

Fax: Not available

Email: General questions: information@houstoneds.org. • Programs: debbiegrammas@juno.com.

Website: <http://www.houstoneds.org/treatment-programs>

Local Bus Routes: 32, 40, 56

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Arrange honoraria directly with volunteer speakers. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Promotes effective treatment of eating disorders and provides community education to raise awareness about them. • Provides speakers on topics such as anorexia, bulimia, binge eating, nutrition, body image, eating disorders in young adults, and medical complications of eating disorders.

Houston Fire Department

Address: 600 Jefferson Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm

Contact: Moises De la Cruz, Inspector-Public Information Office

Phone: 832-394-7228

Fax: 713-466-8396

Email: hfdpubinf@houstontx.gov

Website: <http://houstontx.gov/fire/safetyinfo/index.html>

Local Bus Routes: 85, 161, 162, 219

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires at least four weeks of advance notice when requesting a speaker. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and participate in health fairs.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Can schedule presentations on weekends or evenings on a case-by-case basis. • Offers 45- to 60-minute presentations about general fire safety and fire extinguisher training with hands-on demonstrations. • Offers two- to four-hour Mobile Safety Trailer visits (Grade 3 only). • Also offers 30- to 60-minute on-campus fire safety puppet shows (Grades PK-1 only).

Houston Food Bank

Address: 535 Portwall Street, Houston, TX 77029

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm, Saturday, 8am-4pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm.

Contact: Stephanie Berno, Nutrition Education Manager

Phone: 832-369-9209

Fax: 832-202-2878

Email: sberno@houstonfoodbank.org

Website: <http://www.houstonfoodbank.org/request-a-houston-food-bank-speaker>

Local Bus Routes: 11

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires at least 14 days of advance notice for speaker requests.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers speakers to present about hunger, the food bank, eating healthily on a budget, the food pyramid, meal planning, and other topics. • Provides nutrition education to schools and families. • Also serves working families who cannot access their neighborhood pantry. • Refers non-working clients to food pantries in their neighborhoods.

Houston Humane Society

Address: 14700 Almeda Road, Houston, TX 77053

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 9am-3pm, Thursday, 9am-4pm, Friday-Sunday, 9am-3pm

Contact: Sherry Ferguson, Executive Director

Phone: 713-433-6421

Fax: Not available

Email: sferguson@houstonhumane.org

Website: <http://www.houstonhumane.org/about-us/speaker-s-bureau>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides presentations about animal cruelty, animal health, pet adoption, pet neutering, and other topics related to the humane treatment of animals.

Houston Independent School District – Health and Wellness Programs Speakers

Address: 4400 West 18th Street, Houston, TX 77092

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Marina De Fuentes, General Manager of Support Services

Phone: 713-491-5874 or 713-491-5729

Fax: Not available

Email: mdefuent@HoustonISD.org

Website: <http://www.HoustonISD.org/Page/70405>

Local Bus Routes: 85

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Services are open to HISD schools and the communities they serve.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present to parent groups affiliated with HISD schools.

Languages: Arabic, English, Spanish, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Makes classroom and community presentations about health and nutrition. • Provides information and tips about healthful eating and nutrition at community health fairs and school open house events. • Provides appearances of Ace the HISD nutrition mascot to excite students about good nutrition and physical fitness. • Operates a mobile dairy classroom.

Houston Independent School District – Speakers Bureau

Address: 4400 West 18th Street, Houston, TX 77092

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Rose Adams, Senior Manager of Community Partnerships

Phone: 713-556-7213

Fax: 713-556-7243

Email: radams4@HoustonISD.org

Website: <http://www.HoustonISD.org/Page/32035>

Local Bus Routes: 85

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires submission of an online application form and other materials. • Services are open to HISD schools and the communities they serve.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Pre-approved speakers are available to speak at HISD schools.

Languages: Arabic, English, Spanish, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Provides a pre-registered set of guest speakers who are approved to speak to students, parents, teachers, and administrators on HISD campuses. • Screens potential speakers at HISD campuses through the HISD Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS) program.

Houston Institute for Culture

Address: 708-C Telephone Road, Houston, TX 77023

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Marie Elena Cortez, Youth Education Programs

Phone: 832-429-4432

Fax: Not available

Email: info@houstonculture.org

Website: <http://houstonculture.org/youth>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 41, 80

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Institute focuses on at-risk and marginalized communities.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Traditional musicians and dancers provide in-school and after-school workshops and demonstrations.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides topical writing workshops, where students learn about health, nutrition, history, culture, and environment. • Offers workshops and presentations about traditional music and dance such as Danza Azteca, pre-Hispanic Mexican dance, and accordion in the Creole and Conjunto styles. • Provides digital storytelling programs that focus on narrative and script writing, concept development, and achieving high quality standards.

Houston Northwest Medical Center

Address: 710 Cypress Creek Parkway, Houston, TX 77090

Area Served: Houston: Northwest

Days/Hours: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day

Contact: Not available

Phone: 281-440-2533

Fax: Not available

Email: Not available

Website: <http://www.hnmc.com>

Local Bus Routes: 86, 99

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires at least six weeks of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Requires an audience of at least 20 persons. • Requires a facility large enough for an audience of 20+ persons.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides guest speakers on such topics as arthritis, diabetes, cancer, cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, skin health and care, health issues for men, and health issues for women.

Houston Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Address: 900 Portway Drive, Houston, TX 77024

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 11am-7pm, Saturday-Sunday, 10am-6pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm.

Contact: Margo Faulkner, Community Education Manager

Phone: 713-869-7722 Ext. 143

Fax: 713-869-5857

Email: info@hspca.org

Website: <http://www.houstonspca.org/programs-and-services/educational-programs>

Local Bus Routes: 85

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires at least three weeks of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at School: Yes. • Speakers present at health and safety fairs and similar events at schools. • Offers a Humane Education Curriculum Guide.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers humane education programs as well as 30- to 45-minute school-wide assembly presentations. • Also offers four different kinds of week-long summer camps that focus on animal behavior, basic animal training, communication techniques, animal rescue, animal care, veterinary careers, and other related themes. • Although presentations are in English, handout materials are also available in Spanish.

Houston Zoo

Address: 1513 Cambridge Street, Houston, TX 77030

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Zoo: Monday-Sunday, 9am-6pm. • ZooMobile: Any time pending availability of staff and vehicle.

Contact: Kelly McCreery

Phone: General questions: 713-533-6500. • Education: 713-533-6739.

Fax: 713-533-6783

Email: education@houstonzoo.org

Website: <http://www.houstonzoo.org/education/zoomobile>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 56

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Zoo must receive request forms and payment three weeks before the event date. • Limits participant groups to totals of 35 children and adults. • Must observe required animal welfare procedures.

Costs: Costs vary. • ZooMobile fees are \$80-\$225 per program session. • ZooMobile travel fees are free for 1-30 miles, \$30 for 31-40 miles, \$40 for 41-50 miles, and \$50 for 51-60 miles. • General admission to onsite Zoo programs and exhibits is free for members and children ages 0-1, \$13 for children ages 2-12, \$17 for ages 13-64, and \$10.50 for ages 65+.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • ZooMobile speakers present about wild animals at schools.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Operates a ZooMobile, which brings animals to schools. • Offers three on-campus presentation options lasting 20 minutes to four hours. • Also offers interactive classes and assembly programs aligned with Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston – Meals on Wheels

Address: 3303 Main Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

Contact: Warren Wenner, Director of Meals on Wheels

Phone: 713-533-4978

Fax: 713-520-4663

Email: wwenner@imgh.org

Website: <https://www.imgh.org/meals-on-wheels>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 9, 82

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 60+

Eligibility: Must meet age and income requirements for food assistance. • Requires at least three weeks of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides speakers from area faith communities to present to school groups and other organizations. • Delivers meals to homebound senior citizens with limited food resources.

Jewish Family Service

Address: 4131 South Braeswood Boulevard, Houston, TX 77025

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday, 8:30am-9pm, Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30am-5:30pm, Friday, 8:30am-4pm

Contact: Sophie Gluzkater, Clinical Director

Phone: Appointments: 713-667-9336. • Programs: 713-667-9336 Ext.127.

Fax: 713-667-3619

Email: General questions: info@jfshouston.org. • Programs: sgluzkater@jfshouston.org.

Website: <http://www.jfshouston.org>

Local Bus Routes: 4, 68

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Costs vary. • Charges fees based on a flexible fee scale. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Hebrew, Russian

Direct Services: Helps with issues relating to anxiety or depression, behavioral problems, bereavement, interpersonal relationships, child abuse and family violence, health problems, and addictive behavior. • Also helps with issues relating to personal growth and adjustment, marriage and intermarriage, parenting, and blended families.

Literacy Advance of Houston Inc.

Area Served: Houston

Location	Address	Phone	Fax	Days/Hours	Bus Routes
Main Campus	2424 Wilcrest Drive, Suite 120, Houston, TX 77042	713-266-8777	713-266-8889	Monday-Thursday, 8am-8pm, Friday, 8am-12pm, Saturday, 9am-3pm	161
Bay Area Campus	1300 A Bay Area Boulevard, Houston, TX 77058	281-282-6032	281-282-6013	Monday-Thursday, 9am-8:30pm	249

Contact: Khushboo Bansal, Outreach Program Manager

Email: General questions: info@literacyadvance.org • Speakers: outreach@literacyadvance.org

Website: http://www.literacyadvance.org/About_Us/Programs/Outreach_Activities

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Must meet age requirements. • Requires proof of residence. • Requires that a person is not on probation for a violent crime. • Requires an appointment for registration and requires a two-hour registration.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Provides family literacy services at three HISD campuses. • Volunteers speak about literacy development at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides 30- to 60-minute hands-on presentations for parents about the importance of literacy development for children. • Offers tips for incorporating reading and literacy into activities in the home. • Offers Family Literacy Nights at schools. • Helps adults learn how to read and write (basic literacy skills) through Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes.

NASA Johnson Space Center – Speakers Bureau

Address: 2101 NASA Parkway, Houston, TX 77058

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day. • Speakers: Any time pending speaker availability.

Contact: Glenda Johnson, JSC Speakers Bureau Program Manager

Phone: 281-483-7836

Fax: Not available

Email: jsc-spkrbure@mail.nasa.gov

Website: <https://www.nasa.gov/centers/johnson/events/speakersbureau/speakersbureau.html>

Local Bus Routes: 249

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires at least 28-42 days of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at School: Yes. • Speakers present at civic, professional, educational, and other public events.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides speakers about space food, space suits, careers at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), history of the space program, international space station, women in NASA, future space exploration, robotics, and other topics. • Offers speakers for such activities as science fairs, school events, and classroom talks.

National Alliance on Mental Illness Greater Houston

Address: 3630 West Dallas Street, Suite 140, Houston, TX 77019

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Sunday, 7am-9:30pm

Contact: Angelina Brown Hudson, Director of Education and Programs

Phone: General questions: 713-970-4419. • Education and Programs: 713-970-4489.

Fax: 713-970-4436

Email: General questions: namigh@namigreaterhouston.org. • Programs:

abudson@namigreaterhouston.org.

Website: <https://namigreaterhouston.org/media-center/speakers>

Local Bus Routes: 27, 85

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires four weeks of advance notice if possible.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent-teacher groups.

Languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, Filipino, French, German, Hmong, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Lao, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, Thai, Vietnamese

Direct Services: Offers half-hour to two-hour presentations about early-onset mental illnesses in children and adolescents, age-related symptoms, living with mental illness, advocacy, support groups, coping strategies, recovery, and other topics. • Also offers custom-designed, one-hour to full-day seminars on many topics in mental health.

Nigerian-American Multicultural Center

Address: 8226 Furlong Lane, Houston, TX 77071

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: No fixed hours

Contact: Abby Katun, Education and Mentorship

Phone: 713-568-9450

Fax: Not available

Email: info@namchouston.org

Website: http://namchouston.org/?page_id=260

Local Bus Routes: 7, 46

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 9-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes

Languages: English, Hausa, Igbo, Yoruba

Direct Services: Presenters speak to high school students about their professions, explain the skills needed to be successful, and encourage students to maximize the high school experience. • Speakers reflect diverse careers in medicine, engineering, academia, business, law, entrepreneurship, and non-traditional professions.

PFLAG Houston – Speakers Bureau

Address: 2700 Albany Street, Houston, TX 77006

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: No fixed hours

Contact: Tim Suenram, President

Phone: Helpline: 713-467-3524.

Fax: Not available

Email: Education: education@pflaghouston.org. • Speakers: speakers@pflaghouston.org.

Website: <http://www.pflaghouston.org>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 56, 85, 162

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 12-17 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Call to ask about meeting times and locations.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers trained volunteer community leaders who make presentations and provide training for school staff and help create model policy and creative programs that address bullying, harassment, and discrimination.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers a speakers bureau. • Provides confidential help to families and friends to understand sexual orientation and gender identity while helping to raise awareness and acceptance. • Provides support, education, and advocacy to students, parents, families, friends, and educators to help them create a learning environment that is conducive to the educational success of all students. • Has a lending library.

Port Houston

Address: 111 East Loop North, Houston, TX 77029

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Saturday, 7am-8pm.

Contact: Kelly Day, Senior Executive Assistant

Phone: Office: 713-670-2482. • Speakers: 713-670-2893.

Fax: Office: 713-670-2429. • Boat Tours: 713-673-9087. • Speakers: 713-670-2425.

Email: Programs: kday@poha.com. • Speakers: phaspeakersbureau@poha.com.

Website: <http://porthouston.com/portweb/community-outreach/speakers-bureau>

Local Bus Routes: 30

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 4-5, Grades 9-12, and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: Requires at least 45 days of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Provides an online form to request speakers. • Speakers are subject to availability. • Requires at least 24 hours of advance notice for boat tours. • Must represent a school or group within the local outreach area of the Port Authority.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Participates in Water Wise Programs at two HISD elementary schools and in maritime academies at two HISD high schools.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers speakers who make 15- to 60-minute presentations about the facilities, history, and economic impacts of the Port of Houston, its role in global trade, its role in intermodal transportation, environmental stewardship, and other topics. • Also offers free 90-minute boat tours of the Houston Ship Channel for students.

Positive Efforts Inc.

Address: 7135 West Tidwell Road, Building M Suite 102, Houston, TX 77092

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Barbara Joseph, Executive Director

Phone: 713-812-0044

Fax: 713-957-1542

Email: Not available

Website: <http://www.positiveefforts.org>

Local Bus Routes: 45

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Focuses efforts on providing culturally competent services to high-risk African-American and Latino/Hispanic communities.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers a speakers bureau. • Also provides testing, health education, risk reduction, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, and information and referrals.

Prevent Blindness Texas

Address: 2202 Waugh Drive, Houston, TX 77006

Area Served: Texas: Southeast

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-5:30pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm.

Contact: Christina Jewett, Program Director

Phone: 713-526-2559 Ext. 109

Fax: 713-529-8310

Email: cjewett@preventblindnesstexas.org

Website: <http://texas.preventblindness.org/education-and-outreach>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 56

Ages/Grades Served: Presentations: Adults ages 18+. • Curriculum: Grades K-8.

Eligibility: Must submit an online request for speakers at community events. • Requires at least four weeks of advance notice for speakers.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers presenters at health fairs and community events and offers vision, eye health, and safety curriculums aligned with national content standards. • Includes teacher guides, lesson plans, and other support materials.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides one-hour presentations on diabetes and the eyes and 30-minute presentations on adult eye disorders, contact lens safety, and other topics. • Provides certification courses for adult vision screeners (1½ hours) and child vision screeners (three hours). • Conducts visual acuity screenings at community events to help identify adults and children at risk of eye disease and vision loss.

SCORE Houston

Address: 8701 South Gessner Drive, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77074

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Yusef Muhammad

Phone: 713-487-6565

Fax: Not available

Email: General questions: scorehouston@gmail.com. • Speakers: yusef.muhammad@scorevolunteer.org.

Website: <https://houston.score.org/content/speakers-bureau-4>

Local Bus Routes: 46

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 9-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers speakers on topics related to starting and running a small business.

Sickle Cell Association of Houston

Address: 4014 Market Street, Houston, TX 77020

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm. • Speakers: Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm.

Contact: Tonya Prince

Phone: 832-930-7224

Fax: 832-200-9377

Email: care@sicklecellhouston.org

Website: <https://www.sicklecellhouston.org>

Local Bus Routes: 29, 48

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Provides an online form to request speakers. • Accepts honoraria or donations for presentations.

Costs: Free.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools, health fairs, and community events.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides education, community engagement, self-empowerment, and advocacy concerning all aspects of sickle cell anemia and sickle cell trait. • Provides information and referral to healthcare, mental health, and community resources for those afflicted with sickle cell.

Tahirih Justice Center

Address: 1717 Saint James Place, Suite 450, Houston, TX 77056

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5:30pm

Contact: Anne Chandler, Executive Director

Phone: 713-496-0100

Fax: 713-481-1793

Email: houston@tahirih.org

Website: <http://www.tahirih.org/locations/houston>

Local Bus Routes: 20, 33, 49

Ages/Grades Served: Grades 9-12

Eligibility: Accepted requests must involve the protection of immigrant women and girls. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools.

Languages: Amharic, Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), English, Farsi, French, Hindi, Korean, Spanish, Urdu

Direct Services: Offers speakers about cultural competency, gender-based violence, human trafficking, and other topics. • Also provides legal advocacy for ethnically diverse immigrant women and girls. • Helps victims of violence and persons who flee human rights abuses such as female genital mutilation, rape, torture, human trafficking, honor crimes, forced marriage, widow rituals, and domestic violence.

Target Hunger

Address: 2814 Quitman Street, Houston, TX 77026

Area Served: Houston ZIP Codes: 77016, 77020, 77026, 77028, and 77078.

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Donna Brownlow, Food Services Director

Phone: 713-226-4953

Fax: Not available

Email: donna.brownlow@targethunger.org

Website: <http://www.targethunger.org/programs/food-programs>

Local Bus Routes: 6, 66

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Must be at risk of hunger or food insecurity using Texas Emergency Food Assistance Program criteria. • Bases eligibility on total income and household size. • Requires proof of income.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Works with local schools to create on-campus community gardens.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers guest speakers on topics related to poverty, food insecurity, and the path to self-sufficiency. • Also offers educational workshops on health and nutrition, food safety, and other topics. • Operates eight food pantries to provide emergency food relief and to distribute supplemental groceries. • Supports creation of community gardens at schools and other locations.

Texas Center for the Missing

Address: 3311 Richmond Avenue, Suite 315, Houston, TX 77098

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Melissa Turnquist, Associate Director

Phone: 713-599-0235

Fax: Not available

Email: support@tcftm.org

Website: <http://centerforthemissing.org>

Local Bus Routes: 25, 84

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12 and adults ages 18+

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers 35- to 45-minute presentations on Internet safety (Grades K-8) and 45-minute presentations on Internet safety, cyber bullying, and related topics (Grades 6-12). • Also offers presentations on Internet safety exclusively for parents, including interactive materials to use with children.

Texas Department of Public Safety

Address: 5805 North Lamar Boulevard, Austin, TX 78752

Area Served: Texas

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Not available

Phone: Customer service: 512-424-2000.

Fax: Not available

Email: media@dps.texas.gov

Website: <https://www.dps.texas.gov/tle/awareness.htm>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present about safety and crime prevention at schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides information about bicycle safety, pedestrian safety, child passenger safety, overall traffic safety, Internet safety, personal safety, crime prevention, and drug awareness.

The Bridge Over Troubled Waters

Address: 3811 Allen Genoa Road, Pasadena, TX 77504

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:30pm. • Hotline: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day.

Contact: Debbie Moseley, Executive Director

Phone: 713-472-0753

Fax: Not available

Email: dmoseley@botw.org

Website: <http://www.thebridgeovertroubledwaters.org/v2/services/programs>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and other places.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers speakers to present about domestic violence at community locations. • Provides a 24-hour crisis and referral hotline, 24-hour advocacy, and accompaniment to hospitals, schools, police stations, and courts. • Offers support groups, case management, assessments, education programs, parenting classes, family therapy, and personal safety plan development. • Also offers a 100-bed shelter, permanent housing for women with disabilities and children in their care, and transitional and rapid re-housing.

The Education Trust

Address: 1250 H Street, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20005

Area Served: Texas and other states

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Loretta Singleton

Phone: 202-293-1217

Fax: 202-293-2605

Email: lsingleton@edtrust.org

Website: <https://edtrust.org/our-resources/presentations/?q?q=>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to community groups.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Advocates for closing gaps in opportunity, academic achievement, and educational attainment for low-income children and families and for Black/African American, Latino/Hispanic, and American Indian/Native American children and families. • Makes presentations about closing gaps in educational equity.

The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston – Speakers Bureau

Address: 7000 Fannin Street, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 70030

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day

Contact: Joy Backhouse

Phone: 713-500-3081

Fax: Not available

Email: Joy.A.Backhouse@uth.tmc.edu

Website: <https://www.uth.edu/speakers>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 27, 56

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires at least 30 days of advance notice for requests for speakers. • Requires an audience of at least 15 persons. • Provides an online form to request speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at School: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to community groups.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers speakers on child development, literacy, dentistry, pediatric dentistry, fitness, health and wellness, heart disease, mental health, nutrition, stress, and other topics.

Tourette Association – Texas Chapter

Address: PO Box 147, Richmond, TX 77406

Area Served: Texas

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Sheryl Kadmon, Executive Director

Phone: 281-238-8096

Fax: 281-238-0468

Email: TouretteTexas@aol.com

Website: <http://www.tourettetexas.org>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Must have Tourette syndrome. • Requires advance notice for requests for speakers or participation in health fairs.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and participate in health fairs.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Makes in-service presentations at schools. • Helps families and children in crisis. • Offers counseling, medical assistance, support groups, family events and activities, a summer camp for children, and educational programs.

United Nations Association – Houston Chapter

Address: 11110 Bellaire Boulevard, Suite 230, Houston, TX 77072

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Teta Banks, President

Phone: 832-448-0538

Fax: 713-667-4744

Email: info@unahouston.org

Website: <http://www.unahouston.org/programs.html>

Local Bus Routes: 2, 161

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Requires an appointment.

Costs: Costs vary. • Minimum cost is \$100. • Costs depend on program, duration, audience size, and location.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and civic organizations.

Languages: English, Spanish • Availability of other languages depends on the topic.

Direct Services: Offers information and training programs about the various organizations within the United Nations (UN) structure and about various international issues and their effects on the local and global communities. • Holds an Annual Global Classrooms Conference for middle school and high students and ending in a Model UN session where students debate and develop resolutions and solutions to global crises.

University of Houston College of Optometry – Speakers Bureau

Address: 4901 Calhoun Road, Houston, TX 77204

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm

Contact: Not available

Phone: 713-743-2051

Fax: Not available

Email: marketing@optometry.uh.edu

Website: <http://www.opt.uh.edu/our-college/need-a-speaker>

Local Bus Routes: 900 (METRO rail), 25, 80

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: No area restrictions. • Strongly encourages providing advance notice of requests for speakers.

Costs: Costs vary. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Offers medical experts to speak about cataracts, diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, macular degeneration, multiple sclerosis, pediatric optometry, and retinal diseases. • Speakers also present about color vision testing, perceptual skills testing, low vision, prescription eyewear, contact lenses, sunglasses, and other eye health or vision-related topics.

YMCA of Greater Houston – Water Wise Program

Address: 2600 North Loop West, Suite 300, Houston, TX 77092

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Contact: Paul Bady, Youth Development Director for Aquatics

Phone: 713-758-9180

Fax: 713-758-9140

Email: Paul.Bady@ymcahouston.org

Website: <https://www.ymcahouston.org/aquatics/ymca-water-wise>

Local Bus Routes: 26, 89

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Water safety program focuses on residents in apartment communities affiliated with the Houston Apartment Association. • Program hours and water safety speaker availability vary from one YMCA location to another. • Call for specific times and speaker availability.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present at schools and to parent groups.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Offers 20- to 45-minute presentations about topics related to water safety awareness, such as how to protect young swimmers, how to prevent drowning, and how to choose a personal flotation device (such as a life vest).

FACE PRODUCT EVALUATION FORM

Product Name: _____
Date: _____

User(s): _____
School/Location: _____

Directions: Please tell us a little about you by checking (✓) the circles that apply best to you.

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| <input type="radio"/> Community Member | <input type="radio"/> Classroom Teacher | <input type="radio"/> School Bus Driver | <input type="radio"/> FACE Staff |
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Directions: Please tell us how you feel about this product. Your answers will help us to improve it. Thank you.

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First usage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Repeated usage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post-acquisition service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How long have you used this FACE product?

<input type="radio"/>	Less than 1 month
<input type="radio"/>	1 to 2 months
<input type="radio"/>	2 to 3 months
<input type="radio"/>	3 to 6 months
<input type="radio"/>	6 months to 1 year
<input type="radio"/>	1 year or longer
<input type="radio"/>	Have never used it

How often do you use this FACE product?

<input type="radio"/>	Daily
<input type="radio"/>	3 to 4 times a week
<input type="radio"/>	Weekly
<input type="radio"/>	3 to 4 times a month
<input type="radio"/>	Monthly
<input type="radio"/>	Every 2 to 3 months
<input type="radio"/>	3 to 4 times a year
<input type="radio"/>	Once a year or less often
<input type="radio"/>	Do not use it

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Overall, how satisfied are you with this FACE product?

<input type="radio"/>	Very satisfied
<input type="radio"/>	Somewhat satisfied
<input type="radio"/>	Neutral
<input type="radio"/>	Somewhat unsatisfied
<input type="radio"/>	Very unsatisfied

Compared to other products of which you are aware, would you say that this FACE product is:

<input type="radio"/>	So good that it's in a class by itself
<input type="radio"/>	Much better than most others
<input type="radio"/>	About the same as others
<input type="radio"/>	Somewhat worse than others
<input type="radio"/>	Much worse than others
<input type="radio"/>	Never have used it

Will you use this FACE product again?

<input type="radio"/>	Definitely yes
<input type="radio"/>	Probably yes
<input type="radio"/>	Maybe or maybe not
<input type="radio"/>	Probably no
<input type="radio"/>	Definitely no
<input type="radio"/>	Never have used it

How likely are you to recommend this FACE product to others?

<input type="radio"/>	Definitely will recommend it
<input type="radio"/>	Probably will recommend it
<input type="radio"/>	Maybe or maybe not
<input type="radio"/>	Probably will not recommend it
<input type="radio"/>	Definitely will not recommend it
<input type="radio"/>	Never have used it

Based upon your experience with this product, how likely are you to use other FACE products?

<input type="radio"/>	Very likely
<input type="radio"/>	Somewhat likely
<input type="radio"/>	Neutral
<input type="radio"/>	Somewhat unlikely
<input type="radio"/>	Very unlikely

Other comments about the product: _____

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