

HISD PRESS RELEASE

HISD receives \$300,000 in support of its new recycling program

\$300,000 provided to HISD Educational Foundation by ExxonMobil, LyondellBasell and Tricon Energy

HOUSTON, Texas, USA, 21 February 2023 – The HISD Foundation announced today it has received funding from business leaders to expand access to recycling within the district. ExxonMobil, LyondellBasell and Tricon Energy have donated a total of \$300,000 to support development of the program, which is scheduled to begin in April at 20 school campuses, with plans to scale to additional schools across the district.

“Introducing this new initiative in HISD schools has become more important than ever as we look to engage our students around innovative solutions to achieving sustainability,” said HISD Superintendent Millard House II. “We are confident that the involvement of our students in this program will continue to build ingenuity that supports Houston’s local economy and job creation for our future leaders.”

“Our children will inherit the world we build for them, so it is key that they understand the value of recycling and the circular economy as early as possible,” said Mayor Sylvester Turner of the City of Houston. “I commend HISD and its partners for embarking on such an ambitious program, driven by the need to address waste and landfill use today to enable a more sustainable future.”

[The participating](#) HISD schools will collect cardboard, paper and a variety of plastics, including difficult-to-recycle plastics, from chip bags to takeout containers, with the plastics collection coordinated by [Cyclix’s all-plastic 10 to 90 program](#). The initiative will also support recycling training, education, and awareness for HISD staff and students.

The twenty HISD schools participating in the recycling program will include:

- Administration Buildings
 - Hattie Mae White
 - 228 McCarty
- Elementary School Campuses
 - Lantrip
 - Briargrove
 - Mitchell
 - Piney Point
 - Park Place

- Almeda
- West University
- Fonwood

- Middle School Campuses
 - Attucks
 - Pershing
 - Ortiz
 - Revere

- High School Campuses
 - Madison
 - Booker T. Washington
 - Lamar
 - Energy Institute
 - Northside
 - Heights

ExxonMobil, LyondellBasell and the City of Houston are members of the Houston Recycling Collaboration and have joined forces with Tricon Energy to support HISD on this recycling initiative.

To learn more about recycling in your area, visit HoustonRecycles.org or the HTX Collects app.

About Houston Independent School District

The Houston Independent School District is the largest school district in Texas and the eighth largest in the United States, with 274 schools and more than 190,000 students. The 333-square-mile district is one of the largest employers in the Houston metropolitan area, with more than 27,000 employees.

About the Houston Recycling Collaboration

The Houston Recycling Collaboration was formed in January 2022 between the City of Houston, ExxonMobil, LyondellBasell, Cyclx International and FCC Environmental Services. This new kind of collaboration in the U.S. aims to significantly increase Houston's plastics recycling rate by accelerating both mechanical and advanced recycling technologies.


Learn more on our [website](#).

About Tricon Energy

Tricon Energy is an industry leader in the global commodity trade and distribution market. In our 25+ years in business, we have grown to become one of the largest privately held companies in Houston, TX, and recognized as the second largest chemical distributor in the world by ICIS. Our purpose is to connect the world efficiently and sustainably with essential goods, and we do that by providing logistics, risk management, financing, distribution, technical support, and market intelligence services.


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The Houston Independent School District is the largest school district in Texas and the eighth-largest in the United States, with 276 schools and nearly 197,000 students. The 333-square-mile district is one of the largest employers in the Houston metropolitan area, with more than 27,000 employees.

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