

Guided by data from the Annual Children’s Data Book, developed by cross-system partners in the Children’s Agenda Network, Kids in Common champions policies across four mission pillars to address inequities and improve outcomes for children and families most impacted in Santa Clara County.



## Every Child Safe and Stable

### Priority:

Uplift and support strategies and resources to improve housing stability, food security, and Real Cost Measure for SCC youth and families.

### Data Book Indicators:

- Real Cost Measure
- Housing Stability
- Food Security



## Every Child Healthy

### Priority:

Uplift and support strategies and resources that prevent, identify, and promptly and effectively treat behavioral health challenges and ensure every SCC child has access to adequate physical and social-emotional healthcare.

### Data Book Indicators:

- Prenatal Care
- Annual Health Check-Ups & Dental Appts



## Every Child Successful in Learning

### Priority:

Ensure access to early childhood services, expand extended learning programs that support social-emotional wellbeing and key academic milestones, prevent absenteeism, and promote evidence-based alternatives to school suspensions.

### Data Book Indicators:

- Kindergarten Readiness
- Third Grade English Language Arts (ELA) and Eighth Grade Math Standards
- Chronic Absenteeism
- School Suspension Rates



## Every Child Thriving in Life

### Priority:

Support systems that identify and assist struggling students, provide pathways for non-graduates, remove financial barriers to post-secondary education, and support youth in transitioning to the workforce through career pathways leading to jobs with sustainable, livable wages.

### Data Book Indicators:

- Graduation Rates
- UC/CSU Requirements
- Postsecondary Enrollment
- Annual Income/Earning for Santa Clara Youth Under Age 25

Kids in Common’s 2026 Policy and Advocacy Agenda prioritizes advancing equitable, data-driven policies for Latinx and immigrant youth—who face some of Santa Clara County’s greatest disparities—by aligning with local and regional frameworks to address systemic barriers to basic needs, health, education, and long-term opportunity.