

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER HOUSTON

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER SIX MILESTONES

1. Getting a Healthy Start and Entering School Ready to Learn

All children should have a healthy start by entering school ready – cognitively, physically, socially, and emotionally.

2. Reading at Grade Level by Third Grade

All children should be reading at grade level by age 8 – the age at which reading to learn becomes essential.

3. Graduating from High School Ready for College and Career

All youth should receive a quality high school education and graduate with the skills and tools needed to advance in either college or career.

4. Completing Postsecondary Education or Training

All young adults should have the option to attend postsecondary education and receive training needed to compete for the quality jobs of today and tomorrow.

5. Successfully Entering the Workforce

All young adults seeking employment should have access to jobs that allow them to support themselves and their families.

6. Keeping Kids on Track and Giving Them Second Chances

All youth and young adults should be safe from violent crime; and individuals who are incarcerated should receive the education, training, and treatment needed to maximize second chance opportunities.



For decades, opportunity has lagged for boys and young men of color. But across the country, communities are adopting approaches to help put these boys and young men on the path to success. The former President, Barack Obama, (joined by foundations, businesses, and many other leaders) wanted to build on that success by issuing a national challenge to ensure all young people have an opportunity to get ahead and reach their full potential.

The My Brother's Keeper Houston Movement encourages the use of proven tools that expand opportunities for young people, including access to basic health, nutrition, mentorship, high-quality early education and early introductions into the workforce, as well as partnering with communities and police to reduce violence and make our classrooms and streets safer.



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"That's what 'My Brother's Keeper' is all about. Helping more of our young people stay on track. Providing the support they need to think more broadly about their future. Building on what works – when it works, in those critical life-changing moments."

- President Barack Obama, February 27, 2014

THE CITY OF HOUSTON accepted the challenge of fulfilling former President Barack Obama's White House initiative (MBK) in September 2014. Since then, My Brother's Keeper Houston has been dedicated and committed to improving the lives of our city's youth and communities, but we cannot do it alone. We need your support to help build sustainable opportunities!

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