

Babies in Baytown (BIB) is an early childhood collaborative made up of community organizations and families of Baytown who are working to develop community solutions that better support the mental health of very young children and their families.



01 – EARLY CHILDHOOD SYSTEMS



An Early Childhood Community System is the network of partnerships between families, caregivers, agencies, and organizations representing physical and mental health, social services, and early childhood education that strengthen foundational relationships to promote the healthy development of all infants, toddlers, and their families in their community.

02 – FIRST3YEARS

First3Years (F3Y) is a state-wide nonprofit organization that supports community systems building through two coalition initiatives in Houston and Baytown. F3Y is the backbone organization for Babies in Baytown (BIB). Much like the human backbone (spine), F3Y and Baytown families, support BIB's ability to stay grounded in the work. As BIB's backbone organization, F3Y hires staff to keep BIB functioning and manages funding for collaborative projects.



03 – FUNDING



The Hogg Foundation for Mental Health Communities of Care grant provides funding, to First3Years, for BIB to support collaborative approaches to well-being in Harris County.

04 – FAMILY LEADERSHIP

First3Years supports the Family Leadership Group, which provides parents opportunities to meet, participate in leadership workshops, and create change in their community of Baytown, Gulfton, and Acres Home.



05 – OUR WORK



Our work as a whole includes community, family and organizational leaders who support and advocate for change in Baytown in the following areas:

- Education (access to and quality early childhood education)
- Parks & Open Spaces (opportunities to expand areas for babies & their families)
- Living Wages, Local Wealth/Assets (opportunities to build wealth & savings for a new or growing family)

**Join us! We need your voice to create better opportunities for infants, toddlers, and their caregivers.
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