



# Board Letter of Support and Intent

At Committee for Children, we believe that social-emotional learning is fundamental to achieving social justice. Our country and our communities are undergoing a transformation, and our organization is no exception. We have examined our past and set a vision for our future. We are committed to doing the hard work to increase equity and social justice inside our organization as well as outside of it. Therefore, we have a responsibility to ensure that social-emotional learning and development are rooted in equity. Together with our staff, we have created an equity statement listing our commitments and intended actions.

We, the board of directors, commit to supporting Committee for Children staff in recognizing, condemning, disrupting, and seeking to rectify systemic injustices that create barriers to each child's success. We acknowledge that building an inclusive society that supports the positive development of every child requires our effort, too. Therefore, we also commit individually and collectively as a board to infuse diversity, equity, and inclusion into all that we do.

Together with our dedicated staff and partners, we are resolved to build an equitable, just, and peaceful world where young people can thrive.

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