



**Championing  
the Well-Being  
of Illinois'  
Children**



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## ***Who we are:***

Children's Advocates for Change is an independent advocacy organization committed to the well-being of every Illinois child. We champion those policies and investments children need to be educated, healthy, and thrive.

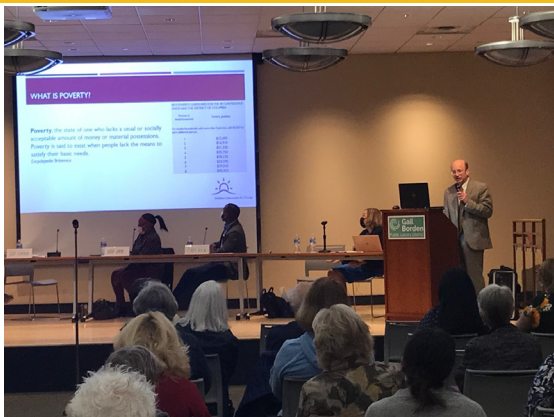
Our vision is to see that every child is afforded every opportunity to succeed in life regardless of that child's race, ethnicity, or zip code. That means making sure every child has the necessary shelter, medical care, and education and is in a safe and loving environment.



Children's Advocates for Change President Tasha Green Cruzat chats with U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

## ***What we do:***

At Children's Advocates for Change, we conceive and champion the policies, programs, legislation and cultural understanding necessary to provide all children -in Illinois and across the nation- with educational success, economic well-being, and safe and loving primary environments.



Children's Advocates for Change Vice-President Mitch Lifson speaking to a group in Elgin about child poverty.

- We collect the facts.
- We analyze the data.
- We convene stakeholders to further examine the data and gain community input.
- We develop the policies to meet the needs of our children and families.
- We employ a racial, ethnic and inclusion lens in all our policies, programs, and operations.

- Advocate to our elected officials and other policymakers for the necessary changes to remove current barriers for children and families and provide them with needed resources.
- We uplift the experiences and needs of your youth by collecting and telling their stories.
- We train youth in the communications and advocacy skills to become effective advocates for their causes and communities.



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become a  
children's  
advocate!***

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