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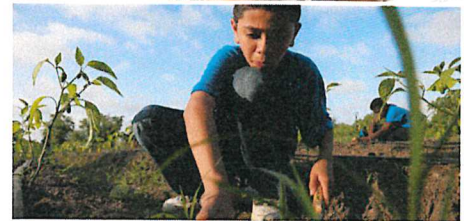
Who We Are

- Pro-Vision changes lives by providing a full spectrum of programs to youth in underserved, economically disadvantaged areas throughout Houston, particularly in our home neighborhood of Sunnyside.
- Our mission is to inspire hope and purpose in young people through access to academic, economic, and social enrichment opportunities.
- Pro-Vision provides young people an array of programs designed to instill vision, commitment, and tools so they are prepared to work shoulder-to-shoulder with other leaders and transform their communities.



Our Youth and Our Outcomes

- The **Pro-Vision Academy**, a state charter school serving 415+ low-income minority girls and boys in grades 3-12 each year.
- Our student body is 85% African-American and 15% Hispanic, and the vast majority come from single female households making less than \$25,000 a year.
- Most students enter Pro-Vision Academy two to three years behind their grade level. With Pro-Vision's individualized intervention plans and commitment to continuous improvement, students usually catch up in an 18- to 24-month period – effectively completing up to five grade levels within two years.
- 90% of students attending Pro-Vision Academy in middle school will graduate from high school – a stark contrast to the Sunnyside community in which only 38% of residents have a high school diploma.
- 98% of our high school graduates enter the military, trade school, two-year colleges, or four-year universities. Each option provides our graduates with a career path that will provide financial independence, benefits, and an opportunity for growth and advancement.
- Pro-Vision also offers:
 - **Character development and outreach programs**, anchored by the *Manhood Development Program*, which reinforces moral and ethical thinking to improve the decision-making process and break the cycle of self-destructive behavior, the *Job Enterprise Program*, which builds business and social skills as students serve as paid interns at companies; and the *SHE (Strong-Healthy-Empowered) Program*, designed to promote positive character and confidence in young girls.
 - Our **Urban Farm/Aquaponics program**, a new undertaking that simultaneously teaches students about horticulture, healthy eating, and business management; provides free produce to an average of 50 families each week in the Sunnyside community (which is located in a food desert); and can serve as a future income via produce sales.
- Collectively, these programs develop educated, financially independent, community-minded young leaders who will work to create change in underserved, economically disadvantaged areas across Houston.



Our Home Neighborhood

- We are located in and serve the Sunnyside area, one of our city's most at-risk communities. Sunnyside has been ranked as the sixth most dangerous neighborhood in the nation, and its residents face serious obstacles related to poverty, high crime rates, and lack of educational attainment.
- Our work and programs benefit the entire Sunnyside community, home to more than 25,000 residents. The median Sunnyside income in 2016 (the most recent year available) was \$32,343, compared to the city average of \$47,793. The community is 88% African-American, 10% Hispanic, and 2% other ethnicity.
- Pro-Vision partners with our neighbors, creating a sense of unity in a vulnerable community. Our safe school grounds serve as a community gathering spot. Our Urban Farm provides free produce to families and our neighboring eldercare facility. This approach builds a sense of trust and shared empowerment that extends beyond the youth we directly serve.

The Campaign for Pro-Vision's Future



Rendering of Pro-Vision Academy campus at the completion of the campaign

- Pro-Vision's unique approach makes the organization a critically needed catalyst for systemic change in Sunnyside and across Houston. Pro-Vision has outgrown its current buildings and can serve more students and community members with an expanded campus.
- To better serve the community and the increasing need for our programming, we launched a \$9.75 million Phase I capital campaign which will significantly expand our Academy's facilities in order to eventually increase our enrollment by nearly 50%. The Academy is the primary entry point into the Pro-Vision model for most of our youth, feeding students into our other programs.
- Three key components to Phase I of the campaign include:
 - **Acquire Additional Land:** Pro-Vision has successfully secured 25 acres of land adjacent to the campus, increasing the school's campus to 46 acres, to allow for the construction of additional buildings through the course of all phases of the campaign and beyond.
 - **Construct a Multi-Purpose Building:** A 40,000 square-foot building will provide 8-10 new classrooms, allowing Pro-Vision to increase its student capacity nearly 50%. It will include a stage and performance area, athletic courts, and office space for use by the school *and* the community. This space will give Sunnyside a much-needed venue for assemblies, community meetings, and events.
 - **Relocate the Football/Track Complex:** To accommodate the construction of the new multi-purpose building, the football field and track will be moved and rebuilt on a parcel of our new acreage. New bleachers will be erected. To ensure proper drainage, a retention pond will also be built, rather than continuing to rely on the football field as an outlet for Houston's notoriously heavy rainstorms. A nature path will be developed, along with an athletic track, for community use.
- This phase of the campaign reflects Pro-Vision's deep commitment to thoughtful physical growth, opening our Academy to all interested students, and serving as both a partner and a resource in the Sunnyside community.