



TEXAS CHILDREN IN NATURE NETWORK

MISSION: ENSURING EQUITABLE ACCESS AND CONNECTION TO NATURE FOR ALL CHILDREN IN TEXAS

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Who Are We?

Children today are disconnected from nature - often spending 7 hours per day on a screen and 1 hour per week outdoors, leading to health problems and a growing sense of isolation. But we are working on a solvable problem, children who play and learn in nature are healthier, happier and smarter.

We strengthen and leverage the work of over 900 state and local partners across Texas, working in the health, community development, education, and conservation fields. With our partners we work towards creating equitable access and connection to nature for children in Texas. Through our partner programming and projects TCiNN engaged over 7 million families in Texas during 2023.



"The more high-tech we become, the more nature we need." - Richard Louv

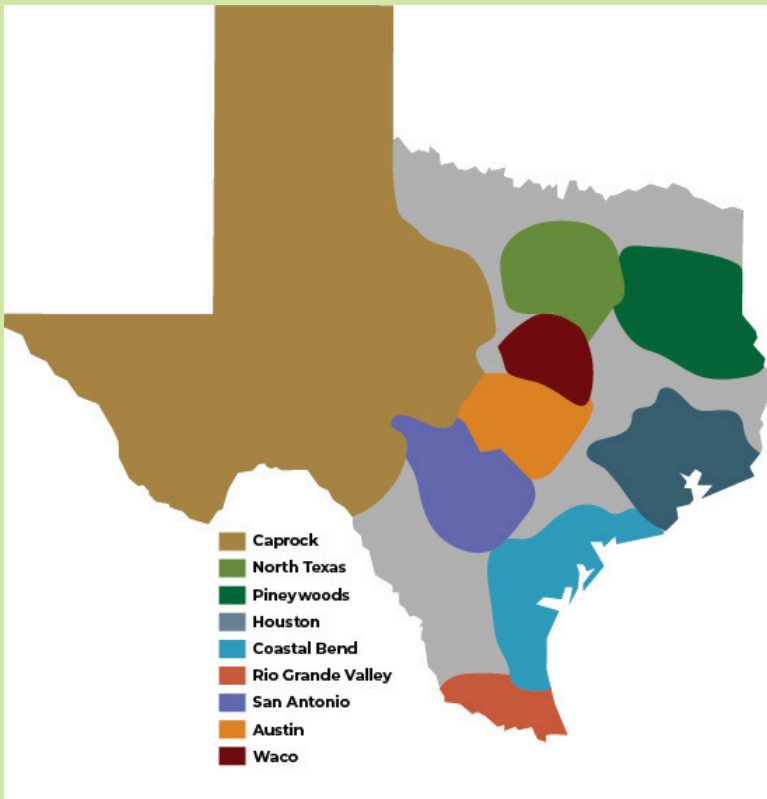
What is our Focus?



TCiN works in seven strategic areas of interest, with an equity lens on all aspects of what we do. We believe by focusing our efforts within these seven areas we can make systemic change in the state of Texas and improve children's access and connection to nature.

Help Fund Our Work

TCiNN connects you with a network of over 900 partners across the state, including working with major initiatives such as our Health and Nature Liaisons, Early Childhood Education Outdoor Learning, Green Schoolyards, Nature Smart Libraries, and more. These partnerships help create change in the state of Texas by working together to ensure more equitable access and connection to nature for our children. Through your generous gifts we are able to advance the work of the collaborative.



Major Projects

Health and Nature Liaisons - Through support from the Texas Department of State Health Services our 3 Health and Nature Liaisons work to connect nature and health professionals to integrate nature as a health strategy.

Early Childhood Education Outdoor Learning - We work to transform early childhood spaces through research inspired landscape designs to increase physical activity and connection with the natural world.

Green Schoolyards -TCiNN partners with cities and schools to create green spaces on school campuses that can be used for outdoor classrooms and nature play.

Nature Smart Libraries - TCiNN works with libraries across the state to promote nature access and connection through gear checkout, nature improvements at libraries, and programming.

Resource Sharing - TCiNN promotes nature exploration at all levels through sharing resources with our partners. Partners are able to register for webinars, our Annual Summit and participate in Technical Advice services with TCiNN staff.

