



Ensuring Childhood Learning

**We help families with students in the greater Houston area become self-sufficient and acquire permanent housing. We know that having a stable family life is critical to a student's success.**

To qualify for the 9 month Hand Up program, families must meet the following criteria.

1. Unable to pay rent and/or utilities in full one or more months per year
2. One adult family member must be physically and legally able to work
3. One adult (parent) must have full time employment or will become full time within 30 days
4. No abuse issues, such as alcohol/drug problems or domestic violence
5. One or more children enrolled in school (Pre-K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

**RaiseUp is responsible for client screening.** You do not have to assess a family's eligibility; just refer the family to us.

**How to refer a family:**

1. Fill in your name and contact information on the top of the attached referral form.
2. Give the family the completed referral form and ask them to call RaiseUp before coming to our office. Appointments are necessary to ensure a case manager is available.
3. Please call **713-973-8083** and ask to speak to a case manager. Information you provide us can speed up the screening process.

**Brief Program Description:**

1. We stabilize housing, striving to keep the students in the same schools.
2. We assist with rent, utility, childcare, and transportation expenses for nine months.
3. Families must agree to complete a self-sufficiency program which includes employment, budget, and education goals.

*We welcome all referrals. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact a RaiseUp staff member.*

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Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Am I eligible for RaiseUp Families services?** You are eligible if you can answer **YES to ALL of the following questions:**

1. Unable to pay rent and/or utilities in full one or more months per year
2. One adult parent **PHYSICALLY and LEGALLY** able to work in the U.S.
3. One adult (PARENT) in the family is working full time or will become employed within 30 days
4. The family has **NO CURRENT** alcohol, drug, or abuse issues.
5. The family has at least one student **ENROLLED in PRE-K – 12<sup>th</sup> grade**

To learn more about the program and to be screened for acceptance, please call **713-973-8083**. Our business hours are Monday – Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm.

**By appointment only.**

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**Soy elegible para los servicios de RaiseUp Families?** Usted es elegible si contesta “**SI**” a **TODAS** las siguientes preguntas:

1. No puede pagar el alquiler y / o los servicios públicos en su totalidad uno o más meses al año.
2. Un padre adulto **FISICA y LEGALMENTE** capaz de trabajar en los EE.UU.
3. Un adulto (PADRE) en la familia está trabajando a tiempo completo o será empleado de los 30 días.
4. La familia **No tiene ACTUALMENTE** problemas relacionados con el alcohol, las drogas o el abuso.
5. La familia tiene al menos un estudiante **INSCRITO** en PRE-K – 12 grado.

Para obtener más información sobre el programa y ser evaluado para aceptación, llame al **713-973-8083**. Nuestro horario comercial es el Lunes – Jueves, 9am a 5pm, y Viernes, 9am a 12pm.

**Solo por cita.**