

all hands raised



Our History



1995 - First Roast Held

With a deep commitment to rallying the community around funding education, U.S. Congressman Earl Blumenauer (pictured with then-Multnomah County Chair Bev Stein) leads the establishment of an annual fundraising event.



2001 - First Principal for Almost a Day Event

This annual event is established as a way to build greater understanding of and connection between schools and community leaders.



2003 - Connected by 25

Connected by 25 (Cx25) launches a community initiative to bridge program and policy in an effort to get all students connected to school, work, and their community by the age of 25.



2008 - Expands to Include Seven School Districts

The organization grows to incorporate seven districts as partners – Centennial, David Douglas, Gresham-Barlow, Multnomah Education Service District, Parkrose, Portland Public Schools and Reynolds.



2008 - Ninth Grade Counts Is Established

As a result of Cx25 data, this first Collaborative Action Team launches to increase graduation rates by supporting summer learning and keeping more kids on track through the transition to high school.



2010 - Joins Cradle To Career Initiative

The organization joins the original StriveTogether network of 5 community partnerships committed to supporting the success of every child from cradle to career.

2012 - Initial Collaborative Action Teams Launched

These teams join Ninth Grade Counts to address:

- Early Learning
- K-12 Attendance
- Eliminating Disparities in Child & Youth Success



2015 - Release of Chapter 02

2015 - Attendance Site Work Begins

All Hands Raised begins partnering with school and culturally-specific partners to develop, implement & measure strategies that positively impact students.

2015 - Post-Secondary Access Site Work Begins

All Hands Raised begins partnering with school teams in this work area.



2017 - Release of Chapter 03

2017 - School to Careers Site Work Begins

All Hands Raised begins partnering with school teams in this work area.

2017 - Kindergarten Transition Site Work Begins

All Hands Raised begins partnering with school teams in this work area.

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1996 - March for Our Schools

Community leaders galvanized around the disinvestment in our schools, encouraging more than 30,000 participants to "take to the streets."



2002 - Sponsored Projects

Short term Sponsored Projects like First Octave, Eat. Think. Grow. and Schoolhouse Supplies are established. Schoolhouse Supplies spins off as its own nonprofit in 2008.



2007 - Alarming HS Grad Rates Released

This Cx25 report shows which academic indicators are the best predictors of high school graduation and what interventions might help more kids graduate.

ONLY 57%
of the PPS class of 2004 graduated

2011 - Name Changed to All Hands Raised

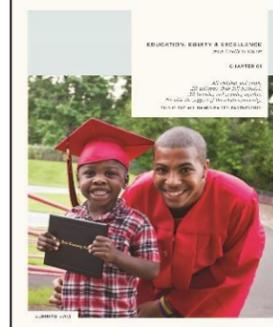
Through conversations with hundreds of people across Multnomah County, PPSF was rebranded as All Hands Raised to reflect the newly expanded scope of work.

2009 - Change in PPSF Equity Fund Formula

The PPSF Equity Fund formula switches from subjective applications to a more transparent, data-driven model in order to distribute funds more fairly to those PPS schools most in need.

2013 - Release of Chapter 01

All Hands Raised releases Chapter 01, the first chapter of the work is framed and initial data on the twelve Community-wide Indicators is put forth.



2016 - First Industry for a Day Event

This annual event was established to build educator awareness and reduce stigma.

2016 - Disproportionate Discipline Teams Form

All Hands Raised begins partnering with school teams in this work area.

2019 - Post-Secondary Completion Site Work Begins

All Hands Raised begins partnering with college teams in this work area.



2019 - Release of Chapter 04

2019 - Portland Public Schools Foundation Handed Off to PPS

On July 1, 2019, all activities associated with the PPS Foundation officially transferred to Portland Public Schools.

1994 - Portland Public Schools Foundation Is Established

After the passage of Measure 5 in 1990, private fundraising in public schools escalated. New policy to manage the inequity was established by the PPS School Board on May 12, 1994.



Portland Schools Foundation