

2025 Accomplishments

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This year, **TMO leaders** have worked on a wide variety of projects to improve life for our families, congregations and communities. In-depth updates on our organizing can be found at tmohouston.org/news.

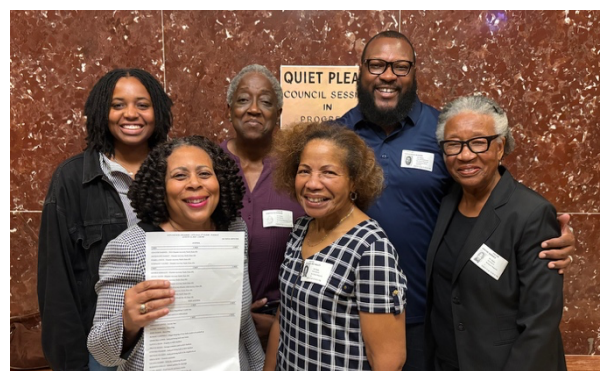
Disaster Relief: The City of Houston initially proposed putting zero funding into repairing homes damaged by Hurricane Beryl. TMO leaders testified at public hearings and convinced the Mayor and City Council to commit \$100 Million of the \$315 Million in federal disaster recovery funding to repairing homes.



Columbia Trap Trail: Won a \$7.5 Million federal grant to improve lighting, accessibility, and connectivity of the Columbia Trap Trail, linking the Third Ward and downtown. Leaders continue to ensure that the project meets the Third Ward Community's needs.

Demolition of Dangerous Buildings:

Responding to pressure from TMO, the City of Houston issued demolition orders for a long-abandoned K-Mart and strip mall in Northeast Houston. Leaders seek to replace the “eyesore” with a grocery store in this food desert.





Immigrant Rights and Safety: Leaders have organized 17 *Know Your Rights* and *Family Safety* Workshops with immigration lawyers and over 1,500 community members from 15 congregations in Brazoria, Fort Bend, and Harris Counties. These sessions help families understand current immigration enforcement and how to protect their children and property using powers of attorney documents.

Health Care Access: Organized four health care outreach sessions with Harris Health at Assumption Catholic Church to improve families' access to timely primary and preventative health care services.



Fighting Corporate Welfare: Worked with our Texas IAF Sister Organizations to defeat HB 105, which would have gutted wage and job creation standards required of companies seeking large school property tax breaks. The result is higher wages for workers and hundreds of millions of savings to taxpayers.

Building a Stronger Workforce: Helped secure \$4.33 Million in funding for the Statewide Adult Career Education Grant Program, which has trained tens of thousands of low-income adults for good-paying jobs in fields like healthcare, cybersecurity, and manufacturing.

