

Dr. Robert Sanborn

CHILDREN AT RISK

President & CEO

Dr. Sanborn is a noted leader, advocate, and activist for education and children and the President and CEO of CHILDREN AT RISK. Dr. Sanborn earned his undergraduate degree at Florida State University and his doctorate at Columbia University in New York City. Before entering the non-profit sector, he had a distinguished career in higher education at institutions such as Rice University and Hampshire College. He has worked and served as a senior leader with many organizations, always bringing with him a focus on innovation, collaborations with like-minded groups, resource developing partnerships, and a belief that all children deserve extraordinary opportunities to succeed.

Under his leadership, CHILDREN AT RISK has expanded its influence considerably. Notable achievements include launching the Public Policy & Law Center, CHILDREN AT RISK Institute and the Center to End Trafficking and Exploitation of Children, directing significantly increased media attention to the issues championed by the organization, and increasing the organizational capacity to drive macro-level change to improve the lives of Houston's most defenseless children. In recognition of the significant impact Dr. Sanborn has had within the Greater Houston community, he recently received the Houston Area Association for the Education of Young Children "Advocate of the Year Award" and the "Seeds of Hope" award for his work to end poverty at a systematic level through advocacy with community organizations and an increased awareness among public officials and the media.
