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The Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI) is a leading interdisciplinary research organization providing research and evaluation services to the Texas legislature and various federal, regional, state, and community agencies actively engaged in determining public policy.

42 YEARS

OF RESEARCH AND POLICY ANALYSIS

\$160 MILLION

IN EXTERNAL FUNDING SINCE 1983

\$4 MILLION

AVERAGE NEW FUNDING SECURED YEARLY

90+ PARTNERS

GLOBALLY

Research Areas



Aging



Criminal Justice



Education



Maternal & Child
Health



Public Health



Substance Abuse



Workforce



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Public Policy
Research Institute



PPRI CAPABILITIES

Evaluation of STEM Education Programs

Extensive experience in providing external evaluation in STEM related areas of higher education, especially for those at Hispanic Serving Institutions. Our multi-method designs have facilitated student success outcomes and helped to increase recruitment and retention of students in STEM-related fields.

Policy Impact

Demonstrated history of creating partnerships between academic researchers, legislators, and state agencies. Projects at PPRI have been influential in shaping policies at both state and national levels, and our research often serves as the basis for developing and implementing innovative service programs.

PPRI excels in distilling complex data into actionable recommendations that will stand up to careful scrutiny and public debate. Our studies are cost-effective, evidence-based, and designed to communicate effectively to target audiences.

Needs Assessment

Whether in education, healthcare, or scientific entrepreneurship our robust and comprehensive assessments identify gaps, prioritize objectives, and inform targeted interventions. PPRI is well-equipped to determine the needs of special populations, such as seniors, women, youth, veterans, and those in the criminal justice system by employing rigorous approach integrating qualitative and quantitative methods — including focus groups, statistical and econometric analyses, interviews, and stakeholder engagement.

Surveys and Database Management

For more than 42 years we have conducted hundreds of surveys across a variety of research areas with thousands of respondents. Customized, multi-modal approach — including web-based surveys and in-person field interviews.

PPRI also develops and maintains secure databases for both archiving data and allowing for custom, automated reporting.

Sponsors

- Arnold Ventures
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- National Science Foundation (NSF)
- Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
- Texas Indigent Defense Commission
- Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)
- U.S. Department of Education (DoEd)
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
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