

Greater Tulsa African American Affairs Commission 2026 Strategic Focus

Context

The Greater Tulsa African American Affairs Commission (GTAAC) serves as a citywide advisory body focused on strengthening the conditions that allow African-American individuals and families to thrive in Tulsa. While recent trends indicate a decline in the Black population within the city, this moment presents an opportunity to more intentionally advance strategies across education, policy, and culture that position Tulsa as a place where Black residents choose to build their lives, careers, businesses, and families.

Objectives

Through coordinated efforts as a commission, help position Tulsa as a city where Black individuals and families choose to live, work, and build generational stability, strengthening economic opportunity and community vitality.

2026 Strategic Pillars

Education

Policy

Culture

Strategic Questions

Each committee should discuss these questions from the perspective of their specific focus area.

1. What conditions in Tulsa might cause African-American individuals and families to leave or choose not to move here?
2. What conditions would attract and retain African-American individuals and families in Tulsa?
3. What role can your committee play in strengthening those conditions?
4. What is one action or initiative each committee could champion that would make impact over the next 5–10 years?