



Vote.

In November, Pre-K 4 SA children vote in a school-wide election to select a non-profit organization the children will learn about and support throughout the year. Pre-K 4 SA children, families, and staff participate in volunteer opportunities with the non-profit and learn how the organization benefits San Antonio.



Explore.

Teachers invite children and families to engage in City Explorations around San Antonio to help children learn about their city. San Antonio becomes the classroom and the children the explorers, as they visit local parks, historic city sites, art exhibits, monuments, and local establishments.



Create.

Local artists join children in the classroom to create authentic art pieces using a variety of artistic mediums to express the children's perspective of their city and the places they visit and explore. The art pieces are then displayed in a public gallery exhibit in April and auctioned to raise money for the local non-profit organization.



Contribute.

As the world becomes increasingly more globalized and connected, knowledge of ourselves as individual learners and as members of a community becomes more important. *Gracias* San Antonio: Children Are Citizens Project is grounded in the belief that children are not just future citizens, but also are citizens of the city in the here and now, with the right to express their opinions and participate in the civic and cultural life of San Antonio. As citizens of the community children also learn to become active contributers to making their city a better place to work, play, and live.