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John Milledge

Garry Johnson

DATE: April 12, 2019
TO: Council Members
FROM: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO
SUBJECT: Information for April 18th Council Meeting

Enclosed is the information packet for the April 18th Council meeting, at 9:30am, at the CSC Office.

At this meeting you will consider various contract adjustments, collaboratives, agreements, and sponsorships. Your meeting information packet also contains several written reports and updates.

The Council Members' Roundtable this month will feature a presentation on the recently completed Special Needs Assessment CSC commissioned in partnership with Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC), Broward County Children's Services Board, and United Way. The preliminary report will be presented by the consultant who conducted the Assessment.

If you have any questions or need further explanation on any items in this packet, please feel free to email (cseltzer@cscbroward.org) or call me (954-377-1674 or 954-649-8420) if you have any questions.

Broward County Children's Services Council Monthly Meeting

6600 W. Commercial Blvd.

Lauderhill, FL 33319

April 18, 2019

9:30 a.m.

MEETING AGENDA

ONLY THE AGENDA WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR GUESTS AT THE MEETING; YOU MAY VISIT WWW.CSCBROWARD.ORG FOR THE COMPLETE MEETING INFORMATION PACKET

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| I. Call to Order | | Cathy Donnelly, Chair |
| II. Roll Call | | Amy Jacques, Special Assistant |
| III. Chair's Comments | | Cathy Donnelly, Chair |
| a. Approve March 21, 2019, Council Minutes | (Tab 1) | |
| b. CSC May Meeting & Budget Retreat | (Tab 2) | |
| c. Recognize CSC Star Ambassadors | | |
| IV. President's Report | | Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO |
| a. Good of the Order | (Tab 3) | |
| b. Legislative Update | (Tab 4) | |
| c. MSD Follow-Up | (Tab 5) | |
| V. Chief Programs Officer (CPO) Report | | Maria Juarez, CPO |
| a. Approve HANDY HYT Contract Adjustment | (Tab 6) | |
| b. Approve Center for Mind Body Medicine Collaborative Training | (Tab 7) | |
| VI. Chief Innovation Officer (CIO) Report | | Dr. Sue Gallagher, CIO |
| a. Approve BCPS Data Sharing/Transportation Agreement | (Tab 8) | |
| b. Accept FSU FICW Grant Funds & Approve Related CPAR Expenditures | (Tab 9) | |
| c. FYI – Florida College Access Network (FCAN) Grant Final Report | (Tab 10) | |
| d. FYI – Racial Equity Update | (Tab 11) | |
| VII. Chief Communications Officer (CCO) Report | | Sandra Bernard-Bastien, CCO |
| a. Approve Zero to Three Conference Sponsorship | (Tab 12) | |
| b. Accept ELC Revenue and Amend Contract for Family Resource Guide | (Tab 13) | |
| c. Approve Summer BreakSpot and MOST Summer Literacy Initiative | (Tab 14) | |
| d. FYI – From Sinai to Selma/10 days of Connection | (Tab 15) | |
| e. FYI – Broward AWARE! Campaign Report | (Tab 16) | |
| VIII. Chief Operating Officer (COO) Report | | Monti Larsen, COO |
| a. Approve Raters for Insurance Broker/Agent Services RFQ | (Tab 17) | |
| b. Approve Financial Statements for March 2019 | (Tab 18) | |
| c. Approve Invoices, P.O.s & Contracts | (Tab 19) | |
| IX. Broward Reads Coalition Report | (Tab 20) | Beam Furr, Coalition Co-Chair |

- X. Special Needs Advisory Coalition Report (Tab 21)** Robin Bartleman, Coalition Chair
- XI. Public Comment** Cathy Donnelly, Chair
- XII. Council Members' Roundtable** Cathy Donnelly, Chair
Special Needs Assessment Dr. Sandra Williams
CEO, Q-Q Research Consultants
- XIII. For Your Information (Tab 22)**
- a. CSB Minutes
 - b. CSC In The News
 - c. Correspondence
 - d. Attendance Report

If you require any auxiliary aids for communication or other special accommodations, please contact Marissa Aquino at (954) 377-1667 or maquino@cscbroward.org at least one week in advance so that proper arrangements can be made.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

6600 W. Commercial Blvd.

Lauderhill, FL 33319

Minutes

March 21, 2019

9:30 A.M.

Members in Attendance: School Board Member Robin Bartleman; Governor Appointee Emilio Benitez; Governor Appointee Cathy Donnelly; Judge Kenneth L. Gillespie; DCF Regional Managing Director Dennis Miles; Governor Appointee Tom Powers; School Superintendent Robert W. Runcie; Health Department Director Paula Thaqi, M.D.; Governor Appointee Ana Valladares

Counsel Present: Garry Johnson, Esq.

Council Members Absent: Broward County Mayor Beam Furr; Governor Appointee Maria Schneider

Staff in Attendance: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO; Monti Larsen; Sandra Bernard-Bastien; Sue Gallagher; Maria Juarez Stouffer; Marlando Christie; Andrew Leone; Adamma DuCille; Akil Edwards; Amy Jacques; Andria Dewson; Arnold "JB" Jean-Baptiste; Brooke Sherman; Camila Romero Gil; Deborah Forshaw; Erin Byrne; Jill Denis-Lay; Jocelin Eubanks; Jumorrow Johnson; Karen Franceschini; Kathleen Campbell; Keisha Grey; Keyonia Lawson; Laura Ganci; Liza Khan; Maddy Jones; Marissa Aquino; Melissa Soza; Michelle Hagues; Monique Finlay; Seanteé Campbell; Silke Angulo; Tameeka Grant; Travis Johnson; Trisha Dowell

Guests in Attendance: Attached

Agenda:

I. Call to Order:

Ms. Donnelly called the meeting to order at 9:32 A.M.

II. Roll Call:

The roll was called and a quorum was established.

III. Chair's Comments:

a) Council Meeting Minutes:

ACTION: Judge Gillespie made a motion to approve the February 21, 2019, Council meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Valladares and passed with no opposing votes.

b) April 18th Council Meeting:

Due to the holidays immediately following the April Council meeting, the Chair double-checked to ensure there wasn't a quorum issue for the April meeting. The only Member who indicated an absence at the April meeting was Dr. Thaqi.

c) Budget Retreat Logistics:

Ms. Donnelly reminded Members that the May 16th Council meeting, which includes the Budget Workshop, will start earlier than normal at 8:30am and could last until mid-afternoon. Members were asked to let Ms. Jacques know if they planned to arrive late or leave early, so that a quorum could be maintained for expected votes that day.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that lunch boxes would be available to purchase in advance of the May Retreat.

IV. President's Report:

a) Good of the Order:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer announced that the Children's Services Council of Broward County was recently honored by the South Florida Business Journal as one of the "2019 Best Places to Work," coming in 15th in the medium company category. She thanked Ms. Donnelly for her generosity in sponsoring a table for CSC staff to attend the awards luncheon.

Superintendent Runcie arrived.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer celebrated the success of the Broward People of Color Caucus' Human Museum, which was a living museum featured at the Museum of Discovery and Science and presented by youth in the CSC-funded programs at the Urban League and HANDY. It was noted that the youth selected their own person in history to research and present.

Ms. Bartleman, Mr. Benitez, and Ms. Valladares arrived.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the successful Rising Above the Stigma Conference, which featured a well-received presentation by Dr. Laura Ganci, CSC's Director of Research and Evaluation. She congratulated Ms. Valladares on her role in the conference.

Members were referred to the Survivors Stroll photo collage in their meeting information packet. This was one of the Broward AWARE! Campaign events.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the 2-1-1 Nonprofit Awards and the CSC-sponsored Collective Youth Impact Award, which was awarded to the Urban League of Broward County and partners for its Community Justice collaborative.

Members were informed of upcoming events, including the Me and My Dad Challenge on March 30th at Joseph C. Carter Park, which is another event in the Broward AWARE! Campaign. Judge Gillespie will be the featured speaker for this event.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the well-received Girls and Young Women Report, noting that the community launch is scheduled for April 1st and that she just wrapped up a Future First: Focus on Broward's Children television episode on the Report.

The last event in this year's Broward AWARE! Campaign will be the Family Fun and Resource Fair on April 13th at Delevoe Memorial Park, and it will feature important messages related to various elements of child abuse prevention, such as human trafficking, water safety and safe sleep.

Members were directed to their meeting information packet for CSC-funded program success stories.

Members viewed a drowning prevention PSA, which M Network has also edited into a 30 second version that will air on Comcast. The campaign also features bus wraps and bill boards. Superintendent Runcie stated it could also be aired on BECON. Members requested to receive a link of the PSA that could be shared on social media.

b) Eagles' Haven Update:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer reported that while Eagles' Haven has not officially opened its doors, it has been providing case management services, as well as in-home services, for several families since February 14th of this year and is accessible via phone, email and Facebook. She also touched upon a possible future expansion of trauma services throughout the County, building upon what has been learned over the past year to provide a community response to the violence and trauma impacting children and families throughout Broward.

c) Broward Days Report:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer reported that it was a successful Broward Days in Tallahassee.

d) Federal Advocacy Update:

As follow-up from the last Finance Committee meeting, Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that she is still gathering additional information related to the possible hiring of a firm to assist with advocacy at the federal level related to a myriad of issues affecting CSC. The information and topic will be brought to the Council once it has been thoroughly explored and vetted by staff.

V. Chief Programs Officer (CPO) Report:

Ms. Juarez briefed Members on the items under the CPO Report.

a) Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) Request For Proposals (RFP) Recommendations:

The PBIS RFP was released in November and closed in December, with three proposals received. The current funded provider, Family Central, was recommended for funding. It was noted that a training on ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) for parents is included in the program.

ACTION: Dr. Thaqi made a motion to approve the PBIS Recommendations as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benitez and passed with no opposing votes.

b) Legal Supports RFP Recommendation:

The Legal Supports RFP was advertised in January and closed in February, with one proposal received from Legal Aid Service of Broward County.

Mr. Benitez commented that no other CSC in Florida provides this service, and that from his experience Legal Aid has done great work in moving kids out of the system. He commended Mr. Honaman and Mr. Bazerman for their tremendous work.

Dr. Thaqi echoed those sentiments, noting that she will be looking to expand this area during the upcoming Budget Workshop in May. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer pointed out that without additional CSC general revenue, some recent changes in federal Title IV-E reimbursable expenses may make that possible.

Judge Gillespie acknowledged the large amount of pro-bono work conducted by Mr. Honaman and Mr. Bazerman, pointing out that they play a very critical role in the judicial system.

Mr. Walter Honaman, Legal Aid Service of Broward County, thanked the Council for its vote of confidence and promised to work hard to continue to earn that confidence, to represent the children and youth they serve, and to work with stakeholders to improve the services that are provided. He personally thanked and recognized CSC staff for their leadership, creativity, and collegiality: Ileana Blanco, Kathleen Campbell, Shawanda Spencer, Andria Dewson, Colleen Carpenter, Dion Smith, Erin Byrne, Jeffery Glover, Maddy Jones, Laura Ganci, and Silke Angulo.

ACTION: Mr. Benitez made a motion to approve Legal Aid Service of Broward County as the Legal Supports provider, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Valladares and passed with no opposing votes.

c) Extension of Healthy Youth Transitions (HYT) Contract Term:

ACTION: Ms. Bartleman made a motion to approve the extension of the HYT contract term, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Valladares and passed with no opposing votes.

Mr. Powers departed the meeting.

d) Additional Funding for Special Needs Summer 2019 Slots:

Ms. Bartleman raised the preliminary findings of the Special Needs Assessment, citing that summer and out-of-school time poses a challenge for this population. She also outlined some of the challenges for the in-school programs, such as security requirements, and the fact that the Principal-run programs are permitted to discontinue services to children exhibiting behavioral issues. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that CSC staff and school board staff are scheduled to discuss the concerns and challenges raised in the Special Needs Assessment.

ACTION: Ms. Bartleman made a motion to approve additional non-recurring funding to increase Special Needs Summer 2019 slots, as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benitez and passed with no opposing votes.

Ms. Shawn Preston, Arc Broward, thanked the Council on behalf of the families they serve. She emphasized that the families they serve do go into crisis without these services.

VI. Chief Innovation Officer (CIO) Report:

Racial Equity Update:

Dr. Gallagher updated Members on CSC's racial equity initiatives. She announced this year's Groundwater presentation will be held on April 10th. She encouraged Members to share the invitation with those who have not experienced the racial equity workshops.

Dr. Thaqi shared that as partners in the racial equity workshops, the Florida Department of Health in Broward County has committed to have every employee participate in the workshops. She also noted that this project has become a central piece of their application for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Culture of Health Prize, which is a very prestigious national award centered on equity through collaboration and inclusion, especially with historically marginalized populations. She noted that Phase 1 of the application highlighted accomplishments in the County, including the Dismantling Racism initiative, the Coordinating Council of Broward (CCB), Children Strategic Plan accomplishments such as SNAC, and Health Department initiatives such as Test & Treat. She noted that their application has processed through Phase 1 to Phase 2, which then highlighted additional items such as some accomplishments of the CCB (Transportation Sales Tax and affordable housing), as well as the Florida Department of Health in Broward County's SEALS (Sealing and Educating All Little Smiles) program that provides sealants and other preventive dental services to children in elementary and middle schools. The application successfully made it through Phase 2 and is now one of 12 finalists out of the original 183 applicants. The last piece will be a site visit by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation examiners that will include a community conversation and tour, with the winner being announced after that.

Ms. Donnelly commended Dr. Thaqi for her leadership in successfully moving the application through the process and into the finals.

Ms. Donnelly encouraged CSC Members to attend a racial equity workshop and/or the Groundwater presentation.

VII. Chief Communications Officer (CCO) Report:

Ms. Bernard-Bastien highlighted the items under the CCO Report.

a) Countdown to Kindergarten:

This event is part of a series of events in which the School Board is taking the lead. The Countdown to Kindergarten event on March 9th had 1,500 pre-kindergarten students in attendance.

ACTION: Ms. Bartleman made a motion to approve drawdown from the Community Foundation of a PNC Bank contribution and related expenditures for Countdown to Kindergarten, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Valladares and passed with no opposing votes.

b) Back-to-School Extravaganza Budget and Vendors:

Ms. Bernard-Bastien shared that CIGNA is a new partner in the Back-to-School Extravaganza, donating both funds and volunteers.

ACTION: Dr. Thaqi made a motion to approve the budget and Carlyn Uniforms as vendor for the 2019 Back-to-School Extravaganza, as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benitez and passed with no opposing votes.

VIII. Chief Operating Officer (COO) Report:

Ms. Larsen highlighted the items under the COO Report. She drew Members' attention to the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) at the dais.

Mr. Benitez noted that the CAFR stands for transparency and is a testament to that fact that CSC is using taxing dollars in a very beneficial way.

a) Financial Statements and Budget Amendments for February 2019:

b) Invoices, P.O.s & Contracts:

ACTION: Ms. Bartleman made a motion to approve budget amendments and interim financial statements for Period Ending February 28, 2019, as well as approve the CSC monthly/annual purchases, both as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benitez and passed with no opposing votes.

c) Provider Administrative Rate:

As follow-up from the last Finance Committee meeting, Ms. Larsen noted that she is still gathering additional information related to the possible increase of the provider administrative rate included in each contract. The information and topic will be brought to the Council once it has been thoroughly explored and vetted by staff.

Mr. Benitez stated that an increase would give providers the flexibility to reward their staff, which is important in a time when agencies are struggling to keep a talented workforce. He suggested that the Council be very open and lenient with the administrative rate.

IX. Agency Capacity Building Committee Report:

Ms. Valladares highlighted the recent meeting of the Agency Capacity Building Committee, which was attended by more than 50 people. The featured speaker was Dr. Rosalind Osgood, President/CEO of the Mount Olive Development Corporation, as well as a Broward County School Board member and the author of the book Influential Woman Leader. She stressed the importance of self-care. Participants also heard from a featured panel of funders representing the United Way, Broward County Human Services, 2-1-1, and the CSC.

X. Broward Reads Coalition Update:

Ms. Bernard-Bastien highlighted activities of the Broward Reads Coalition, including the recent and successful Real Men Read event, in which Superintendent Runcie participated.

XI. Public Comment:

There was none.

XII. Council Members' Roundtable:

CSC's Research and Evaluation staff highlighted data stories from the FY 17/18 Annual Programmatic Performance Report.

XIII. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 A.M.

Tom Powers, Secretary

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MEETING ATTENDEES

*denotes speaker

Name	Organization
David Bazerman	Legal Aid Service of Broward County
A. Therese Sullivan	Pembroke Pines Police Department
Shawn Preston*	Arc Broward
Tonya Ricker	Arc Broward
Michelle Rosegreen	Family Central
Ruth Lynch	The Charter Schools of Excellence
Mariela Betancourt	Family Central
Maria Detwiler	Family Central
Lisa Farland	YMCA of South Florida
Alice-Lydia Bird	YMCA of South Florida
Walter Honaman*	Legal Aid Service of Broward County
Alison Rodriguez	YMCA
Michelle Rogers	Family Central

TAB 2

Those attending the CSC Council Meeting/Budget Retreat on Thursday May 16, will have the opportunity to purchase, *in advance*, a box lunch prepared by **RED CHAIR CATERING**. The box lunches will cost \$13.00 (*which includes tax and delivery fee*) and will consist of:

WRAP DESCRIPTION

#1 Classic

Thin sliced smoked turkey & Provolone cheese. With our cilantro & garlic aioli, classic pesto, crisp romaine lettuce leaf, and plump slices of tomato.

#2 Buffalo

Oven roasted chicken breast tossed in our buffalo sauce topped with our house made chunky blue cheese dressing, mild banana peppers, a crisp romaine lettuce leaf, plump slices of tomato. Finished off with American cheese.

#3 Mediterranean

Roasted red pepper hummus, classic pesto, sliced Feta cheese, red onion, cucumber, mini sweet peppers, crisp romaine lettuce leaf, and plump tomato slices.

#4 Tuna Salad

A classic Albacore tuna salad mixed with celery, parsley, and green onion.

#5 Caesar

Marinated and grilled chicken breast diced in chunks then tossed with Caesar dressing, topped with 3 cheese Italian blend over a bed of chopped romaine

Package Includes

Your choice of Wrap
Bottled water
Classic Lay's Potato Chips
Fruit Salad
Brownie



Orders are **due by Noon Thursday, May 9th**. Your payment can be made with either cash or a check made out to the "CSC Employee Sunshine Fund."

If interested, please contact Jocelin Eubanks

No later than Noon on 5/9/19 at jeubanks@cscbroward.org, or 954.377.1658. Please indicate the type of wrap you would like.

TAB 3



**Girls Coordinating Council
Report to the Community
April 1, 2019**



From: [REDACTED]
Date: 4/2/19 9:00 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: Mariela Betancourt <MBetancourt@familycentral.org>
Subject: Sherida

Dear Ms. Betancourt,

It was an absolute pleasure, and the most extremely helpful experience having Sherida in our school, specifically working with [REDACTED]. She is amazing, and we certainly used every tip and trick she gave us to help [REDACTED], who is three, and his class, to overcome anger and behavioral issues. Sherida, Frankie, and Alba were an awesome team to have at our school, and I am forever grateful.

I especially loved how "up front" Sherida was with our staff. She tells it like it is, and I for one, love it! She actually called [REDACTED]'s teacher out on a teaching situation, which totally surprised the teacher, but I can tell you for sure, the teacher changed her technique which, immediately, created a more upbeat atmosphere in the classroom. In other words, Sherida has been very direct and honest with my staff and myself.

Ms. Sherida was a total asset to our team. She was awesome with [REDACTED], and took a very angry little boy, and it was almost like waving a magic wand, and turned him into this loving, kissie, huggie, delightful child. She taught him how to breathe, breathe, breathe!. She taught him about feelings and to use his words if he was feeling angry. She worked with him privately and in a group setting, and without a doubt, the "spell" is still working.

I do believe, because Sherida went the extra mile, communicating and working with myself and [REDACTED] mom, that [REDACTED] is thriving. Sherida did this! She put us all on the right track. I can't thank Sherida enough for showing a little tough love with my staff, love and affection to [REDACTED], and the best listening ears for me. Thank you, thank you, Sherida.

It took one phone call to Debbie Kay to start the wheels turning. Thank you to all of you, for helping [REDACTED] develop into the sweetest, loving little boy, who, thanks to Sherida, can finally channel his emotions in the right direction.
Sincerely,

TAB 4

LEGISLATIVE

REPORT

TO BE

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AT MEETING

TAB 5

Eagles' Haven Update



We are proudly completing our second week since the opening of Eagles' Haven, a wellness center created solely to provide support, education and wellness activities to current, former and future MSD students, family members and faculty. At the request of the community we happily opened our center and support programs a month earlier than planned and have welcomed close to 200 visitors who are coming by to check out the center and we are already providing support to dozens of families, students and teachers.

Eagles' Haven is the one place to call or stop by if you need help with support or wellness needs, a quick question or a family crisis. While we are not a therapy center, our staff are trained trauma clinicians who can listen to your needs and connect those interested in seeking therapy with a qualified therapist in the community. We are so honored to meet each and every person who has come in for a visit and a cup of coffee and we are inspired by the strength of the MSD community and everyone's desire to rediscover wellness and restore hope to the community, which is not going to be easy but is the ultimate goal of the center and this community. We were happy to respond to a request made by teachers for 170 bags of back to school healthy snacks for Monday morning, one for each classroom and our JAFCO support system is collecting additional supplies requested by teachers to have on hand for their students. Thanks to our Parkland/South Palm Beach Chapter President Tami Isenberg for leading this effort and anyone wishing to assist can contact Tami ti123mom@gmail.com We have also met with the media and sent a written request to all of the major local media bureau chiefs to select alternate locations other than the school for any media coverage. We were also proud to welcome Jon Faber who has been a frequent visitor streaming live from our center letting his parent group know we are open and making great suggestions for informal parent support nights; also we have been honored to welcome the leadership of the March for Our Lives Foundation and Parkland Cares to our center and appreciate their desire to support our efforts as well as the leadership of

the City of Parkland and Coral Springs, and of course our amazing funders - the Children's Services Council and United Way of Broward County

Thanks to our pro-bono amazing wellness provider Livewell1440, our wellness activities are scheduled to begin as promised at the end of April and include yoga, kickboxing, breathing and relaxation, stretching, acupuncture, chair massage, pet therapy, healthy eating, smoothie making, drumming, boot camp, open mic and game nights, and more. Suggestions are welcome so please let us know if you have a great idea. Support groups for teachers, parents and students will begin in the next few weeks so please check in on fb, Instagram or on our website. Thank you for your patience as our center is transformed into a mountain themed space over the next month courtesy of our pro-bono amazing designer Louis Cohen. Thank you to IKEA for the emergency furnishings and to City Furniture who just promised to donate \$5000 in new furnishings and to Valley Forge for our window treatments, all to make our space more inviting and comfortable. Anyone wishing to lead a wellness activity should apply on our website asap and anyone with any questions should attend our information session on April 9 at 6:30 at the P-Rec Center in Parkland, please see our website home page to RSVP.

Stay tuned for more updates and thank you all for helping us bring Eagles' Haven to life.



TAB 6

Service Goal:	4.1 Improve life outcomes for dependent, delinquent, crossover and LGBTQ youth transitioning to adulthood, with a special focus on youth in foster care and/or other non-traditional living arrangements.
Objective:	4.1.1 Provide life skills training and independent living supports for dependent, delinquent, crossover and LGBTQ youth in collaboration with local partners to improve life outcomes and to successfully transition to adulthood.
Issue:	Adjustment to HANDY HYT Contract
Action:	Approve Adjustment to the HANDY HYT Contract
Budget Impact:	\$ 25,827 of \$ 1,255,684 Available in UNALLOCATED For FY 18/19.

Background: Beginning on November 19, 2019, multiple HANDY staff received threatening text messages from an anonymous person. These text messages included bomb threats, threats to set fire to their headquarters and threats to harm staff. The messages included a level of detail about staff, their family members and agency practices that elevated the potential threat level. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department (FLPD) was contacted and are actively investigating with full cooperation from the Provider. Immediately following the threats, HANDY temporarily closed their headquarters and then retained a police detail from the FLPD for provide daily security coverage to ensure the safety of staff and the youth. During the headquarters closure, all front line staff were instructed to work remotely and continue one-on-one services with their clients at community locations.

Current Status: In January 2019, HANDY reopened its office after installing HD security cameras and motion censored lighting and upgrading their door entry system. Additionally, the Provider provided security training workshops to staff and hired a security company to provide concealed armed security services during all operation hours. As such, HANDY has incurred significant security costs.

Historically, CSC has provided funding for security at school sites. Given the current circumstances, Staff is recommending that CSC adjust HANDY's HYT contract to include funds to address a portion of these unanticipated security costs due to the recent threats to the agency staff and youth. CSC funds would cover 50% of the security services during the hours that youth are on-site for services. The Provider is exploring funds from other Funders to address costs not covered by CSC.

CSC staff is exploring the need for additional funding for security for the provider network.

Recommended Action: Approve Adjustment to the HANDY HYT Contract

TAB 7

Service Goal:	2.1 Reduce the incidence and impact of child abuse, neglect, and trauma.
Objective:	2.1.3 Address the negative impacts of trauma and provide resources to allow those impacted to increase protective factors and build resiliency.
Issue:	CSC's On-going Role in Building Community Resilience and Recovery in the Wake of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Tragedy
Action:	Approve Funding for Evidence-Based Center for Mind Body Medicine (CMBM) Training
Budget Impact:	\$ 110,000 of \$1,229,857 Available in UNALLOCATED For FY 18/19.

Background: The Center for Mind Body Medicine (CMBM) evidence-based model teaches participants, institutions and communities how to use self-care and group support as transformational tools for stress and trauma relief and to build resilience. CMBM uses a “train the trainer” approach. Instructors teach local educators, healthcare providers, humanitarian workers, first responders and community leaders to use the model to deal with their own trauma and stress and enhance their resilience, reducing the burnout and secondary trauma that are so prevalent among caregivers in devastated communities.

In the summer of 2018, as a follow-up to the Marjory Stoneman Douglas tragedy and with funding from the Chan Zuckerberg Foundation, CMBM partnered with the Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) to provide multi-tiered training in this comprehensive wellness program to 310 teachers, service providers, and peer counselors. These trainees have subsequently implemented intensive 8-week Mind-Body skills groups for several hundred of the most traumatized individuals, and have reached thousands of others by teaching and practicing these mind-body techniques in classrooms, clinics, and individual family sessions.

Current Status: As this program has been well-received and the community need is so great, CSC is recommending a partnership with BCPS to provide additional training in this comprehensive wellness model. The goal is to increase the cadre of trained individuals and to build sustainability by increasing “train the trainer” capacity.

CMBM submitted a proposal to train 150 service providers from the CSC and BCPS network at a cost of \$761,410. This 15-month collaborative project would begin in June 2019, and would address the need for trauma relief, stress management and resiliency building throughout Broward County with targeted services in Parkland and Coral Springs.

The first part of the training provides a comprehensive introduction to CMBM's approach through didactic instruction on the scientific basis for the model, as well as small and large group experiences of mind-body techniques. The training includes in-depth material on the biology and psychology of stress and trauma as well as on the specific evidence-based mind-body techniques used. The second part of the training is an advanced 4-day training that will give trainees the opportunity to teach the skills they have learned in the initial training to others. It includes a combination of didactic lectures on implementing the

model along with practicums in which trainees lead groups and teach the techniques while receiving supervision and feedback from the CMBM staff.

Staff is requesting \$110,000 in FY 18/19 and will request an additional \$110,000 in FY 19/20 for continuation of this initiative for a total of \$220,000. This allocation would support 40 CSC service providers to participate in this initiative. BCPS is committed to continuation of this initiative and in partnership with CMBM is pursuing additional funding from the Health Foundation of South Florida and The Chan Zuckerberg Foundation. CSC has also shared this training opportunity with other funders and private foundations to explore whether they are interested in jointly funding this comprehensive wellness program to expand the capacity. It is anticipated that CSC will be reimbursed retroactively for these training expenditures through the AEAP Federal grant once funds become available.

Recommended Action: Approve Funding for Evidence-Based Center for Mind Body Medicine (CMBM) Training

TAB 8

Service Goal:	3.1 Reduce risk factors associated with delinquency, teen pregnancy and other risky behaviors.
Objective:	3.1.2 Provide 21st Century Community Learning Centers in Title 1 eligible high schools to improve academic and social outcomes, in collaboration with State and local partners.
Issue:	Renewal of the Data Sharing/Transportation Agreement with Broward County Public Schools (BCPS)
Action:	Approve Data Sharing/Transportation Agreement with BCPS
Budget Impact:	None.

Background: The Transportation Agreement between the Broward County School Board and the Council was initially executed in August 2009 to provide CSC 21st CCLC and LEAP High programs with transportation, USDA approved snacks / meals, and minimal facility usage fees. Last July, changes were made to the agreement to include new consent and data sharing language. The current Agreement expires on June 30, 2019.

Current Status: The conditions and terms of the Agreement were met year to date. CSC and District staff have agreed to use the revised Data Sharing/Transportation Agreement, which has no budget impact on the Council and has the same fiscal impact on the District. When approved by the Council, the Agreement will be forwarded to the School Board for signature.

Recommended Action: Approve Data Sharing/Transportation Agreement with BCPS

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this _____ day of _____
2019, by and between

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
(hereinafter referred to as "SBBC"),
a body corporate and political subdivision of the State of Florida,
whose principal place of business is
600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

and

THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY
(hereinafter referred to as "CSC"),
a special district created by Chapter 2000-461, Laws of Florida,
whose principal place of business is
6600 West Commercial Boulevard, Lauderhill, Florida 33319

WHEREAS, the CSC and SBBC wish to improve instruction by significantly increasing the number of children ready for school, achieving academically once in school, and staying in school through graduation; and

WHEREAS, the achievement of those goals will greatly benefit the academic progress of students within Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the CSC has committed to partner with the SBBC for the delivery of programming to enhance the academic enrichment and remediation activities offered by eleven (11) CSC fully sustained LEAP High School programs after school and during the summer at Stranahan High School, Dillard High School, Hallandale High School, Blanche Ely High School, Northeast High School, Boyd Anderson High School, Deerfield Beach High School, Plantation High School, McArthur High School, Piper High School and Miramar High School; and

WHEREAS, the CSC desires to sustain the programmatic portion with a FY19/20 CSC allocation of \$2,855,000 for fully sustaining eleven (11) High Schools, while the SBBC will continue to provide transportation, USDA approved snacks and/or meals, and minimal facility usage fees during the school year when schools are open, on occasional Saturday's, and when schools are open during the summer at all eleven (11) high schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants contained herein and other goods and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1-RECITALS

1.01 **Recitals**. The Parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and that such recitals are incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE 2- SPECIAL CONDITIONS

2.01 **Term of Agreement**: Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Section 3.04 of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence upon execution by all parties and conclude on June 30, 2020.

2.02 Purpose of this Agreement:

- (a) The CSC agrees to:
- 1) Ensure CSC funded programs are supporting student gains during the regular school day.
 - 2) Customize CSC funded high school programs (LEAP High) to target District priorities such as decreasing internal/external suspensions, decreasing bullying behaviors, and/or increasing Florida Standards Assessment and End of Course Exam scores.
 - 3) Enhance the quality of CSC social service programs delivered to students and families.
 - 4) Allow each High School principal to recommend someone from their school leadership team to serve as the CSC LEAP program Site Lead.
 - 5) Provide the SBBC with a copy of CSC's Annual Performance Measures for the CSC's funded LEAP High Schools.
 - 6) Under the terms of this Agreement, CSC may opt to conduct a research study for the purpose of evaluating the quality and effectiveness of services impacting students, parents or staff. The design, procedures, and potential impact on school and district operations of said study must be reviewed and approved by the District's Institutional Review Board (IRB) prior to the initiation of any research activities. Approval through the District's IRB and Research Review Process will ensure: (a) the purpose, scope, limitations, and duration of study is clearly outlined; (b) the protection of human subjects in the research process; (c) personally identifiable information (PII) is only used for purposes of the identified study; (d) PII is only used by representatives of the organization identified in this agreement; and (e) the safe and confidential storage and transmittal of education records. CSC agrees that any disclosed information will be destroyed or returned to SBBC when no longer needed for the purposes for which the study is to be conducted CSC agrees to comply with all requirements of the District's IRB and Research Review Process, which may be accessed at: <http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/sar/irb/index.htm>.
- (b) The SBBC agrees to:
- 1) Provide transportation from the afterschool program home for the duration of the 2019/2020 School Year.
 - 2) Provide the USDA Supper Program and approved snacks to all students in the afterschool program.

- 3) Work with the CSC to implement a transportation plan for the Summer 2020 program.
- 4) Work with the CSC to provide USDA Summer Food Program and approved snacks or breakfast to all students in the Summer program.
- 5) Waive the CSC from the requirements set forth in the SBBC Before and After School Child Care Request For Proposal 17-004V and continue to grant access to the eleven (11) High Schools hosting CSC's LEAP programs at the existing facilities usage charge of \$250 during the school year and \$250 during the summer.

2.03 **Contact Persons:** Unless altered by notice given pursuant to Section 3.16 of this Agreement, the contact persons for the respective parties to this Agreement are as follows:

For CSC: Dr. Carl M. Dasse, System Administrator
The Children's Services Council of Broward County
6600 West Commercial Blvd
Lauderhill, Florida 33319
Telephone: (954) 377-1669
Facsimile: (954) 377-1683

For SBBC: Mr. Jeffery Moquin
Chief of Staff
K.C. Wright Building
600 SE Third Avenue
13th Floor
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
Office: (754) 321-1850
Facsimile: (754) 321-2139

2.04 **Background Screening.** CSC agrees to comply with all requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and all of its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds, will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. The background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of CSC or its personnel providing any services under the conditions described in the previous sentence. CSC shall bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required by Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to CSC and its personnel. The Parties agree that the failure of CSC to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. To the extent permitted by law, CSC agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees from any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting in CSC's failure to comply with the requirements of this Section or with Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver by SBBC or CSC of sovereign immunity or of any rights secured by Section 768.28,

Florida Statutes.

2.05 **Indemnification.** To the extent permitted by law, each party agrees to be fully responsible for its acts of negligence or its agents' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence. Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or to be a waiver of any rights secured by Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

2.06 SBBC Disclosure of Education Records

- (a) The education records listed in (c) shall be disclosed by SBBC to CSC, for the purposes of (1) enrolling students into CSC programs, and (2) for CSC to research and evaluate the effectiveness of CSC programs at improving student's school performance, behavior, attendance, graduation rates, and the transition to post-secondary opportunities.
- (b) CSC will re-disclose certain education records listed in Section 2.06(c) to certain provider agencies ("Provider(s)") for the purpose of allowing those Provider(s) to effectively provide services to help students improve school performance, behavior, attendance, graduation rates, and the transition to post-secondary opportunities
- (c) SBBC shall give to CSC, the following education records:
 - 1) demographics (including the students' first and last names, student identification number, race, gender, disability, home language, country of origin, eligibility for free and reduced lunch, English proficiency, and home address);
 - 2) attendance;
 - 3) schedule;
 - 4) grades;
 - 5) test scores;
 - 6) promotion status;
 - 7) risk assessment data; and
 - 8) suspensions/expulsions.
- (d) Disclosures of SBBC education records, and access to education records in SBBC databases, must be limited to only the students served in the CSC programs listed in this section, and to the types of records and purposes listed in this agreement.
- (e) The CSC programs utilizing data from this Agreement include the: CSC LEAP High Program, CSC COMPASS Program, and CSC Good Neighbor Store Program. These programs may be implemented by Provider(s) CSC may share data provided by SBBC with the Provider(s).
- (f) SBBC shall obtain written consent from each student's parent/guardian or student age 18 or older prior to giving the education records listed above.

2.07 CSC Confidentiality of Education Records.

(a) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this Agreement, CSC shall:

1) fully comply with the requirements of Sections 1002.22, 1002.221, and 1002.222, Florida Statutes; the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C § 1232g (FERPA) and its implementing regulations (34 C.F.R. Part 99), and any other state or federal law or regulation regarding the confidentiality of student information and records;

2) hold any education records in strict confidence and not use or redisclose same except as required by this Agreement or as required or permitted by law unless the parent of each student or a student age 18 or older whose education records are to be shared provides prior written consent for their release;

3) ensure that, at all times, all of its employees who have access to any education records during the term of their employment shall abide strictly by its obligations under this Agreement, and that access to education records is limited only to its employees that require the information to carry out the responsibilities under this Agreement and shall provide said list of employees to SBBC upon request;

4) safeguard each education record through administrative, physical and technological standards to ensure that adequate controls are in place to protect the education records and information in accordance with FERPA's privacy requirements;

5) utilize the education records solely for the purposes of providing products and services as contemplated under this Agreement; and shall not share, publish, sell, distribute, target advertise, or display education records to any third party;

6) notify SBBC immediately upon discovery of a breach of confidentiality of education records by telephone at 754-321-0300 (Manager, Information Security), and 754-321-1900 (Privacy Officer), and email at privacy@browardschools.com; and take all necessary notification steps as may be required by federal and Florida law, including, but not limited to, those required by Section 501.171, Florida Statutes;

7) fully cooperate with appropriate SBBC staff, including Privacy Officer and/or Information Technology staff to resolve any privacy investigations and concerns in a timely manner;

8) prepare and distribute, at its own cost, any and all required breach notifications, under federal and Florida Law, or reimburse SBBC any direct costs incurred by SBBC for doing so, including, but not limited to, those required by Section 501.171, Florida Statutes;

9) be responsible for any fines or penalties for failure to meet breach notice requirements pursuant to federal and/or Florida law;

10) provide SBBC with the name and contact information of its employee who shall serve as SBBC's primary security contact and shall be available to assist SBBC in resolving obligations

associated with a security breach of confidentiality of education records; and

11) securely erase education records from any media once that media equipment is no longer in use or is to be disposed; secure erasure will be deemed the deletion of the education records using a single pass overwrite Secure Erase (Windows) or Wipe (Unix).

(b) All education records shall remain the property of SBBC, and any party contracting with SBBC serves solely as custodian of such information pursuant to this Agreement and claims no ownership or property rights thereto and, upon termination of this Agreement shall, at SBBC's request, return to SBBC or dispose of the education records in compliance with the applicable Florida Retention Schedules and provide SBBC with a written acknowledgment of said disposition.

(c) CSC shall, for itself, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors, to fully indemnify and hold harmless SBBC and its officers and employees for any violation of this section, including, without limitation, defending SBBC and its officers and employees against any complaint, administrative or judicial proceeding, payment of any penalty imposed upon SBBC, or payment of any and all costs, damages, judgments or losses incurred by or imposed upon SBBC arising out of a breach of this covenant by the party, or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or subcontractor of the party to the extent that the party or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party shall either intentionally or negligently violate the provisions of this section or of Sections 1002.22 and/or 1002.221, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance required or conclusion of all obligations existing under this Agreement.

2.08 **Providers.** Should CSC enter into a subcontract with a Provider(s) to fulfill its responsibilities of implementing the Programs under this Agreement, then CSC shall:

(a) Give each Provider solely the specific education record(s) of the students that the Provider is subcontracted to service.

(b) Add the following provisions to the subcontract Agreement between CSC and the Provider(s):

***[insert name of Provider]*Confidentiality of Education Records.**

(a) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this Agreement, *[insert name of Provider]* shall:

1) fully comply with the requirements of Sections 1002.22, 1002.221, and 1002.222, Florida Statutes; the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C § 1232g (FERPA) and its implementing regulations (34 C.F.R. Part 99), and any other state or federal law or regulation regarding the confidentiality of student information and records;

2) hold any education records in strict confidence and not use or disclose same except as required by this Agreement or as required or permitted by law unless the parent of each student or a student age 18 or older whose education records are to be shared provides prior written consent for their release;

3) ensure that, at all times, all of its employees who have access to any education records during the term of their employment shall abide strictly by its obligations under this Agreement, and that access to

education records is limited only to its employees that require the information to carry out the responsibilities under this Agreement and shall provide said list of employees to SBBC upon request;

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(c) *[insert name of Provider]* shall, for itself, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors, to fully indemnify and hold harmless SBBC and its officers and employees for any violation of this section, including, without limitation, defending SBBC and its officers and employees against any complaint, administrative or judicial proceeding, payment of any penalty imposed upon SBBC, or payment of any and all costs, damages, judgments or losses incurred by or imposed upon SBBC arising out of a breach of this covenant by the party, or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party to the extent that the party or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party shall either

intentionally or negligently violate the provisions of this section or of Sections 1002.22 and/or 1002.221, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance required or conclusion of all obligations existing under this Agreement.

2.09 Program Evaluation and Studies Conducted for SBBC. Under the terms of this Agreement, CSC will be conducting program evaluation and studies for, or on behalf of SBBC, to: (a) develop, validate or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction. The purposes and scope of the program evaluation is described as follows: CSC Annual Performance Reports. SBBC may disclose personally identifiable information from an education record of a student to CSC in order for it to conduct said program evaluation. The type of personally identifiable student information to be disclosed by SBBC to CSC is described as outlined in 2.06 of this agreement. CSC agrees that the program evaluation or study shall be conducted in a manner that does not permit personal identification of parents and students by individuals other than the representatives of CSC that have legitimate interests in the information. The program evaluation shall commence upon execution of this agreement and conclude June 30, 2020. CSC agrees that any disclosed information will be destroyed or returned to SBBC when no longer needed for the purposes for which the program evaluation or study is to be conducted. CSC acknowledges and agrees that it may use personally identifiable information from education records only to meet the purpose or purposes of the program evaluation or study as stated in this Agreement. For research studies, CSC agrees to comply with all requirements of the District's IRB and Research Review Process, which may be accessed at: <http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/sar/irb/index.htm>.

2.10 Liability. Each party agrees to be fully responsible for its acts of negligence, or its employees' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

2.11 Insurance Requirements. Each party acknowledges without waiving its right of sovereign immunity as provided by Section 768.28 Florida Statutes, that each party is self-insured for general liability under Florida Statutes with coverage limits of \$200,000 per person and \$300,000 per occurrence, or such monetary waiver limits that may change and be set forth by the legislature. Each party further acknowledges to maintain, at its sole discretion, Specific Excess General Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence, solely for any liability resulting from entry of a claims-bill pursuant to Section 768.28(5) Florida Statutes, or liability imposed pursuant to Federal Law.

(a) Self-insured Workers' Compensation Insurance with Florida statutory benefits in accordance with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes, including Employer's Liability limits not less than \$100,000/\$100,000/\$500,000 (each accident/disease-each employee/ disease-policy limit).

(b) Automobile Liability Insurance: Each party shall maintain Automobile Liability Insurance covering all Owned, Non-Owned and Hired vehicles in an amount of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence Combined Single Limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.

(c) Self-insurance and/or insurance requirements shall not relieve or limit the liability of either party, except to the extent provided by Section 768.28 Florida Statute.

2.12 **Required Conditions.** Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:

- (a) All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectable coverage maintained by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.
- (b) Certificate Holder: The School Board of Broward County, Florida, c/o EXIGIS Risk Management Services, P. O. Box 4668-ECM, New York, New York 10163-4668

ARTICLE 3-GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.01 **No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.** Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

3.02 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. None of the parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the parties based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any manner arising out of any contract.

3.03 **Non-Discrimination.** The parties shall not discriminate against any employee or participant in the performance of the duties, responsibilities and obligations under this Agreement because of race, age, religion, color, gender, national origin, marital status, disability or sexual orientation.

3.04 **Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause by either party during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party of its desire to terminate this Agreement.

3.05 **Public Records.** Each party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each Party shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, and any resultant award of attorney's fees for non-compliance with that law.

3.06 **Entire Agreement.** This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements and understandings applicable to the

matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of the Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.

3.07 **Amendments.** No modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same or similar formality as this Agreement and executed by each party hereto.

3.08 **Preparation of Agreement.** The parties acknowledge that they have sought and obtained whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to herein express their mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than the other.

3.09 **Waiver.** The parties agree that each requirement, duty and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof. Any party's failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement. A waiver of any breach of a provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement.

3.10 **Compliance with Laws.** Each party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

3.11 **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any controversies or legal problems arising out of this Agreement and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the State courts of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida.

3.12 **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

3.13 **Assignment.** Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein may be assigned, transferred or encumbered by any party without the prior written consent of the other party. There shall be no partial assignments of this Agreement including, without limitation, the partial assignment of any right receive payments from SBBC.

3.14 **Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be obligated to perform any duty, requirement or obligation under this Agreement if such performance is prevented by fire, hurricane, earthquake, explosion, wars, sabotage, accident, flood, acts of God, strikes, or other labor disputes, riot or civil commotions, or by reason of any other matter or condition beyond the control of either

Agreement, nor in any way effect this Agreement and shall not be construed to create a conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

3.19 **Authority.** Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

FOR CSC

THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF
BROWARD COUNTY

By _____
Cindy J. Arenberg Seltzer

Approved as to form by:

JOHN MILLEDGE, ESQ.
200 LAS OLAS CIRCLE BUILDING
200 SW FIRST AVENUE, SUITE 800
FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

John Milledge, Esq.

FOR SBBC

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Nora Rupert, Chair

Approved as to Form and Legal Content

Robert W. Runcie
Superintendent Broward County Schools

Office of the General Counsel

TAB 9

System Goal:	SYS 1.2 Research and Evaluate Systems of Care.
Objective:	SYS 1.2.4 Provide leadership and resources to implement a collaborative, community-wide integrated data system to improve reporting.
Issue:	Florida Institute for Child Welfare (FICW) Research Grant
Actions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Accept FSU FICW Grant2. Approve Public Science as the CPAR Consultant3. Approve additional CSC Funding of CPAR Consultant4. Approve Florida Atlantic University MOU pending legal review
Budget Impact:	\$ 50,000 Revenue & Related Expenditures from FICW Grant for FY 18/19. \$ 12,000 of \$ 80,000 Available in SYS 1.2.4 for FY 18/19.

Background: In November, 2018, the Council approved CSC's application to the Florida Institute for Child Welfare Research Grant from Florida State University to use Community Participatory Action Research (CPAR) to improve the Broward Child Welfare System. In collaboration with the Urban League of Broward County task force, 10 parents/caregivers/youth who have been through the child welfare system and 10 system partners will identify, design and implement CPAR project(s) to improve policies, conditions, and outcomes. CPAR integrates critical racial equity elements such as disaggregated data, community voice, capacity building and partnership to increase community trust, innovate more effective programs and increasing the validity of research results.

Current Status: CSC was awarded the FICW grant in March 2019 for \$50,000. \$20,000 of the grant is for a consultant to facilitate the CPAR process. Staff obtained two quotes from research and academic organizations to provide the CPAR portion of the FICW grant. Based on the depth and breath of Public Service Project (PSP) CUNY's experience with CPAR, their leadership with the Broward CPAR pilot completed in 2018 and their ability to provide train the trainer and capacity building for CSC staff to lead CPAR projects in the future, staff recommends funding PSP to provide a three day overview and planning workshop in July 2019 and a two day workshop in Winter 2019/20. The balance of the FICW grant will cover the expenses for stipends for the co-researchers and the research participants and supplies for the final products stemming from the research projects.

An additional \$12,000 is needed from CSC to: 1) allow the two consultants to provide train the trainer for CSC staff to lead CPAR projects in the future and 2) provide breakfast and lunch for the five days of CPAR workshops (\$4,000 for Red Chair Catering).

Florida Atlantic University School of Social Work has been an active partner in the Urban League Task Force and is recommending a graduate student to participate in the CPAR. Approval is needed for the Memorandum of Understanding to host the student at CSC (see attached) pending legal review.

Recommended Actions:

1. Accept FSU FICW Grant
2. Approve Public Science as the CPAR Consultant
3. Approve additional CSC Funding of CPAR Consultant
4. Approve Florida Atlantic University MOU pending legal review.

TAB 10

Service Goal:	3.1 Reduce risk factors associated with delinquency, teen pregnancy and other risky behaviors.
Objective:	3.1.6 Support youth leadership, voice and advocacy on local, state and national issues
Issue:	Building a Local College Access Network
Action:	FYI – Florida College Access Network Grant Final Report
Budget Impact:	None.

Background: The Broward Bridge to Life (B2L) committee was formed under the Children's Strategic Plan to strengthen the post-secondary pathways for young people and consistently convenes over 30 community partners. CSC submitted a seed grant in partnership with the School District's Guidance Department and Urban League for consulting services to develop strategies for addressing B2L's identifiable goals and youth engagement (stipends to facilitate youth voice). In October 2017, CSC Broward was awarded the Florida College Access Network grant for \$20,000 with a match of \$10,000 from CSC. A consultant, Jana Ertrachter, was procured in November 2017. The purpose of the grant and work with the consultant was to build a sustainable collective action network to improve the rates of post-secondary degree attainment and industry certificates.

Current Status: The funding for the FCAN grant ended March 31, 2019. The consultant helped the B2L committee establish a Steering Committee, three Workgroups, goals and metrics to measure success, and a plan for next steps. The use of a racial equity lens throughout the process resulted in data gathered from students and families of color to more deeply understand the barriers and opportunities to post-secondary success and leveraged additional funding to empower 60 students as BRACE Cadets to work with other students. The Florida College Access Network has asked CSC staff to share the racial equity approach as a model for other communities. Moving forward with the infrastructure established by the grant funding, the B2L Committee will focus on increasing FAFSA completion, parent engagement efforts including talking to parents in person to honor the oral traditions of some cultures, and expanding the support of career pathways to more community partners. An Executive Summary of the grant accomplishments is attached.

Recommended Action: FYI – Florida College Access Network Grant Final Report

LCAN Seed Grant Report

Period covered by the report:	October 1, 2017 - March 31, 2019
Backbone organization name:	Children’s Services Council of Broward County
Geographical coverage area:	Broward County
Name/Title of the person submitting the report:	Broward Bridge to Life Co-Chairs Carl Dasse, Sr. Data Systems & Research Manager (CSC) Carol Lopez, Supervisor College & Career Readiness (BCPS)

1. Please indicate the extent to which your LCAN leadership has

- a. Set a common agenda with a long-term postsecondary attainment goal:

Broward Bridge to Life (B2L) has adopted FCAN’s goal 2025 of having 60% of Broward residents earn a high quality post-secondary degree or credential by 2025. We have established a Steering Committee of officials from local government, K-12 education, non-profit organizations, the business community, Broward College, and three Universities that established the common agenda guiding the day-to-day efforts of B2L’s larger Working Group. Key to the Steering Committee’s guidance is the mandate of employing a racial equity lenses in all of the Working Group efforts and strategic planning exercises provided by the B2L consultant funded by the FCAN Seed Grant.

The larger Working Group currently includes actives representatives from twenty organizations and two community advocates, and is divided into the three focus areas that evolved from our assets mapping and strategic planning lead by the B2L consultant. The Children’s Service’s Council (B2L Backbone Organization) provided the \$10,000 cash match to our Seed Grant, and stipulated that the match funds be used to provide cash/gift card incentives for the B2L Consultant to compensate the caregivers and K-12 students who were extensively involved in the B2L’s strategic planning process. Additionally, the Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) also invited the B2L consultant to meet with students and parents at four different high schools.

- b. Identified priority populations and focus areas (please describe):

Based on community input, B2L priority population is graduating seniors from public high schools and their caregivers, and people who earn their General Education Degree. A racial equity lenses is being used to intentionally address the impact of structural racism on post-secondary enrollment and attainment. We have adopted two strategies to implement a racial equity lenses in our community effort. First, B2L is leveraging community resources form our partner agencies, examples including: (1) Leverage grant dollars obtained by the BCPS to empower sixty high school students to develop and implement solutions to increase the enrollment of students of color into post-secondary educational opportunities; (2) Working with the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce to

promote the “Multiple Pathways to the American Dream” parent expo occurring in April 2019 via CSC social media presence; and (3) working together to ensure Broward College’s mobile TRIO Educational Opportunity Center is present at as many community events as possible. Second, B2L is developing strategies to talk to caregivers of color in person to encourage them to help their children complete the necessary paperwork for postsecondary acceptance, enrollment, financial aid, and scholarships. The goal here is to use oral communication to reach the caregivers of children of color, which research shows is more effective than the traditional written strategies of communication.

B2L is focusing our efforts on the three areas our community partners (via assets mapping) and caregivers and their K-12 children identified (via work with B2L consultant) identified as being most import, which are: (1) Increasing FAFSA Completion; (2) expanding Parent Engagement efforts; and (3) Helping all of our community partners better understand their role in Career Pathway planning for young people.

c. Set shared metrics for measuring progress (please describe):

(1) FAFSA Completion:

- a. A 5% increase in the FAFSA completion rate from school year 17/18 (the FAFSA completion rate in school year 17/18 was 41.8%).
- b. BCPS has started sending emails /text messages to parents about: Naviance, parent workshops, FAFSA events, and scholarship opportunities. B2L has been working with local churches to promote FAFSA drives and parent workshops.

(2) Parent Engagement efforts:

- a. Have 700 out of the 1,000 invites attend the “Multiple Pathways to the American Dream” expo on April 17, 2019.
- b. Have an average of twenty parents attend the Parent Community Workshop in school year 2018-2019.

(3) Career Pathways:

- a. Help the BCPS CTACE department achieve a turnout of 8,000 enrolled Juniors at the “Claim your Future” career technical industry resource fair.

d. Established work teams devoted to the LCAN’s focus areas (please describe):

The B2L larger Working Group is divided into three sub-workgroups that address our focus areas: (1) FAFSA Completion; (2) Parent Engagement efforts; and (3) Career Pathway planning for young people. Two to three people from the Steering Committee or their representatives participate in each of the three working groups.

2. Briefly describe highlights/successes of your network to date.

B2L has been successful at maintaining our momentum after our Seed Grant funded consultant completed her contracted tasks. We have also increased the number of community partners, continue host monthly sub-working group meetings, and have increased the number of FAFSA drives this year. The BCPS has received a "To & Through" grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to help develop capacity in the postsecondary transition process and postsecondary completion rate for graduating students at three high schools.

BCPS has implemented the Naviance programs to help sixth through twelfth grade students in the college and career planning process, and the BCPS has added two-part time BRACE advisors to help with their new peer to peer model BRACE Cadets program. The CSC's B2L representatives have been statewide leaders helping other LCANs understand the importance of and how to implement a racial equity focus lenses into their work.

3. Briefly describe challenges your LCAN network has encountered and how your leadership team addressed these challenges.

The two biggest challenges faced by B2L were including every organization that wanted to participate and narrowing our focuses to achievable results. We addressed the first challenge by creating a Steering Committee and then dividing the large Working Group into three sub groups that address our specific focus areas. B2L was able to narrow down our focus by following the process outlined by the consultant we hired.

4. Describe how your LCAN has cultivated a culture of shared learning in the process of developing your common agenda.

B2L created a culture of shared learning by setting discussion rules to tie all of our discussions to the empirical data we had. This allowed B2L to develop strategies to improve the postsecondary attainment and completion rate that were based upon the actual Broward County data. During our meetings, the B2L members often shared anecdotal examples of why students did not successfully transition to postsecondary opportunities. Due to the amount of anecdotal stories, B2L chose to dedicate resources to collect our own first hand data from the caregivers and children we wanted to enroll in and complete a postsecondary degree or industry credentials. We were then able to leverage the CSC match for the LCAN Seed Grant to conduct focus groups and in depth interviews of the caregivers and students. This data allowed us to verify the face validity of the conclusions we were making from the State/District data and provided first hand examples to verify the anecdotal evidence provided by the non-profit members of B2L.

The first hand data allowed us to investigate the root causes of why so many children of color in Broward County were not enrolling in or completing post-secondary degrees/credentials. One commonly held belief was that the BCPS needed to do a better job encouraging young people, who are not college material to seek career technical education (CTE) pathways as a viable option after high school. We found that this is not the main issue and caregivers actually discourage their children from seeking CTE pathways because "those jobs are important but not for my child."

The use of our own data paired with the district/state information has established the practice of using data to set our common agenda and shared learning. This has created a sense of trust among the stakeholders, allowing us to tackle the challenging decisions needed to maximize our effectiveness with the minimal effort. This is why B2L focuses not on helping graduating seniors, their caregivers and those who earn their GED, but concentrating our efforts on the people of color living in Broward's at-risk zip codes least likely to attend and complete college.

5. How have you incorporated student and stakeholder voices in the planning process?

B2L has incorporated student and stakeholder voices in two ways during the planning process: (1) we have a parent advocate who actively participates in our B2L Work Group; and (2) our Seed Grant consultant hosted three caregiver focus groups and five student focus groups. Four of the student focus groups were hosted at traditional public high schools, ten students attended four of the focus groups, and the typical focus group had twelve to twenty-three participants.

6. What would you most like to learn next to help your LCAN excel?

B2L would like to learn strategies to create a 501 C (3) organization to lead our LCAN and fundraising to support a full time director. We would also like to learn about resources to support caregiver engagement with their child's effort to enroll in post-secondary opportunities.

7. Specify your LCAN's next steps.

- (1) Establishing one long term metric for each of our sub-working groups.
- (2) Creating a pool of FAFSA volunteers to help with hosting community FAFSA workgroups.
- (3) Finalizing the work with 211 Broward to:
 - (a) Determine if the IRS will allow the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance tax preparers supported by CSC to share information about the FAFSA with their clients.
 - (b) Developing a training curriculum for 211's operators to ask and make referrals for people interested in completing the FAFSA and post-secondary enrollment paperwork.
- (4) Create a website and donation portal.

Attachments to include (where available):

- 1 Updated Partner Roster
- 2 LCAN Documents:
 - 2.a. Executive Summary (Mission, Vision, Values)
 - 2.b. Meeting Agendas (Metrics Postsecondary Attainment Goal)
 - 2.c. Jana Ertrachter Consulting Agreement & Jana Ertrachter Invoices (1 -7)
 - 2.d. Steering Committee Functional Responsibilities
 - 2.e Assets Map Survey & Assets Map Results
- 3 Photos
- 4 Financial Report

System Goal:	SYS 1.2 Research and Evaluate Systems of Care.
Objective:	SYS 1.2.1 Provide leadership and resources for community strategic planning to promote a coordinated system of care.
Issue:	Racial Equity Update
Action:	For Your Information Only
Budget Impact:	None.

Background: Key elements of the racial equity initiative are ongoing educational opportunities and broadening partnerships. Our first Groundwater event was held in Broward in April 2018 and is the introduction to Racial Equity Institute two day workshop. The People of Color and White Caucuses have been working on continuing education with its participants as well as planning community events. In terms of partnerships, CSC was selected as a participant in the Southern Education Foundation Southern Policy and Practice Network in July 2018 to improve educational outcomes for children of color in the Southeastern United States.

Current Status: The Southern Policy and Practice Network grant ended in February 2019 and due to its success received additional funding to continue the initiatives. CSC staff lead the work in Florida which includes partners from Florida International University, Florida Parent Teacher Association, Florida College Access Network, and Achieve Escambia. The Florida work resulted in aligning education efforts from birth through higher education and conducted several meetings with Florida legislators.

In February, the People of Color Caucus hosted a living museum of historical Black heroes and heroines with youth from the Urban League and HANDY portraying the figures. In March, Emily Bernard shared her book, *Black is the Body*, with over 90 community members. The book of essays was a rich collection of experiences of a Black woman and her family in the United States.

On the morning of April 10, 2019 the Groundwater event, over 75 community partners who previously completed the Racial Equity Institute training participated in a visioning workshop to operationalize racial equity in our human service systems. The workshop generated recommendations for funders and system partners to improve awareness, the narrative around services, access, eligibility, service engagement and delivery, advocacy and use of data. Recommendations will be further vetted at the Broward Anchor Institutions meeting in May with the goal of sharing with funders and systems partners to initiate change.

In the afternoon of April 10, 2019, the second Groundwater event was held at the African American Research Library. Over 165 community partners attended including police chiefs, elected officials and business leaders, Florida Department of Children and Families and community members. The event resulted in many participants asking to sign up for the two day racial equity workshop as well as discussion to secure more funding for additional workshops.

Recommended Action: For Your Information Only.

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Service Goal:	9.1 Ensure a continuum of maternal and child health services for at-risk families.
Objective:	9.1.2 Provide treatment and support for mothers with maternal depression to promote positive development for infants and children.
Issue:	Zero to Three Annual Conference Sponsorship
Action:	Approve Sponsorship of Zero to Three Annual Conference
Budget Impact:	\$12,000 of \$ 150,000 Available in Goal 9.1.2 For FY 18/19.

Background: During the first three years of life, emotionally nourishing relationships lay the foundation for lifelong health and well-being. Since 1977, Zero to Three has advanced the proven power of nurturing relationships by transforming the science of early childhood into helpful resources, practical tools and responsive policies for millions of parents, professionals and policymakers. The organization plays a key role in ensuring that babies and toddlers get a strong start in life by supporting: parents with practical resources that help them connect more positively, deeply and continuously with their babies; professionals with knowledge and tools that help them support healthy early development; and policymakers in advancing comprehensive and coherent policies which support and strengthen families, caregivers and infant toddler professionals.

Current Status: The 3-day Zero to Three Annual Conference gives providers of early childhood professionals an opportunity to learn about the latest research and best practices in the field, and participate in a wide range of networking opportunities with renowned experts and thousands of colleagues from around the country, while earning more than 20 continuing education credits. The conference has 5 keynote presentations from the top researchers and policymakers in the field, 72 detailed breakout sessions, 8 issue intensives to choose from and 6 add-on pre-conference forums, all focused on new understanding and skill development to support and enhance the work.

The 2019 Annual Conference is scheduled for October 2nd to the 4th, 2019 at The Diplomat in Ft. Lauderdale, and the CSC's President/CEO is Co-Chair of the planning committee. With this \$12,000 level of sponsorship, the CSC's logo will appear on event signage and conference promoting materials, along with a full page ad in the conference program, as well as four (4) complimentary registrations and exhibit space, reserved seating at plenary events and mobile app enhanced listing with the CSC logo and organization description.

Recommended Action: Approve Sponsorship of Zero to Three Annual Conference

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For Council Meeting

April 18, 2019

System Goal:	SYS 2.1 Educate the public about the availability of community resources and advocacy efforts on behalf of children and families.
Objective:	SYS 2.1.2 Educate Broward's taxpayers about issues, resources and services available for Broward's children and families using the full spectrum of media and community outreach tools to improve community's awareness of available resources.
Issue:	Accept Early Learning Coalition (ELC) Revenue for the 2019/20 Family Resource Guide.
Action:	Approve Revenue from ELC and Related Expenditures to Kessler Creative for the 2019/20 Family Resource Guide.
Budget Impact:	\$25,000 Revenue and Related Expenditure for FY 18/19.

Background: Since CSC began, staff have endeavored to educate the community about the resources available through CSC funding and partnerships and the work and worth of the organization, using the full spectrum of media and participating in hundreds of community events county-wide. One of the most effective tools shared in print at these events, as well as on-line is the Broward County Family Resource Guide, a multi-lingual publication produced with CSC support since 2001. Over the years, CSC has been the primary funder of the publication with Kessler being responsible for selling ad space to raise the balance of the funding needed. While ELC had to reduce their funding commitment several years ago due to budget reductions, they continued to provide relevant content for the publication. Other entities such as the School district also provide content so that the comprehensive information remains helpful to our families.

Current Status: Production of the next issue of the Family Resource Guide has begun, with articles being submitted and layout and design being completed to meet a target distribution date of mid-July 2019. Over the past few years, the cost of translating articles, printing, and distributing 175,000 copies of the publication has risen by approximately 15%. Because it recognizes the value to its target audience, the Early Learning Coalition of Broward has agreed to help underwrite the increased cost by funding \$25,000 in FY 18/19 and in FY 19/20. Staff recommends approving acceptance of ELC's revenue and amending the current contract with Kessler Creative from \$128,700 to \$140,700. With ELC's cost sharing of the printing of this publication, it allows CSC to use the remaining \$13,000 currently budgeted in this line item for other media materials or collaterals.

Recommended Action: Approve Revenue from ELC and Related Expenditures to Kessler Creative for the 2019/20 Family Resource Guide.

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Service Goal:	5.1 Improve the educational success for young children.
Objective:	5.1.3 Provide leadership and support for the Community-wide Grade Level Reading Campaign including literacy and early education support (PreK through 3rd grade) and other resources for children, parents, teachers.
Issue:	To provide a quality reading initiative to help prevent the summer slide at Super Summer BreakSpot and MOST sites.
Action:	Approve Funding for the Summer BreakSpot and MOST Summer Literacy Initiative
Budget Impact:	\$11,410 of \$ 57,877 Available in Goal 5.1.3 For FY 18/19.

Background: In 2011, the Annie E. Casey Foundation spearheaded a national Campaign for Grade Level Reading (CGLR) to make third grade reading success a priority as this is seen as a key marker in future school success. The CGLR addresses four key areas: School Readiness, School Attendance, Summer Learning and Parent Engagement. Since June 2014, CSC has provided backbone support to the local CGLR known as Broward Reads: The Campaign for Grade Level Reading. The campaign focuses on finding common sense solutions to improve reading proficiency for every student by the time they reach third grade. To do this, gaps in service are identified and addressed.

To prevent the summer learning slide and connect community partners to fragile families and environments throughout the summer of 2018, every Monday was "Rock & Reading" Day at the Summer BreakSpot super site locations. Broward Reads presented each site with 100 brand new books and Literacy Ambassador Events were held for a total of 28 different reading events over five different dates.

Current Status: The Council fully supports afterschool and summer programs that keep children living in economically disadvantaged neighborhoods and children with special needs safe, supervised, and academically challenged. During the summer, Maximizing Out-of-School Time (MOST) programs hire certified teachers to provide the daily Project Based Learning lessons incorporating Common Core Standards. To add a stronger focus on literacy and help prevent the summer slide, staff recommends a literacy initiative incorporating read alouds, expansion activities, lesson plans and parent guides, as well as providing books for a library space where families can borrow them.

The initiative will align efforts with the Summer BreakSpot Literacy Ambassador Program implemented last summer and will consist of:

- Providing the 65 MOST summer sites with 20 books to create a lending library. (\$1,551 for Scholastic for 1,300 books and \$691.60 for Office Depot for 65 book bins.)
- Providing each of the MOST summer sites and Summer BreakSpot Super Site locations 4 books to do structured read alouds over the summer. \$451.20 for Scholastic for "I Am Neil Armstrong" and "Recess Queen." \$800.00 to Puddlebugs for "A Leaky Fire Hydrant." \$791.20 to Auspicious Ambitions for "Unwind. Up, Up, and Away."

- Printing of 6,500 Summer Learning gameboards from the Broward County Library to promote and encourage children and families to visit the library and participate in their activities. "I Am Neil Armstrong" will tie into the libraries' space theme. (\$625 for printing).
- Providing 2 read aloud trainings to our MOST Providers and other CSC funded staff, as applicable. The CSC trainer will use the 4 titles listed above.
- Providing each of the 6,100 children served in the MOST summer programs a book to take home to build their home library (\$6,500 for Scholastic). Pending notification, these books may be bought through Broward County Public Schools Title 1 funds.
- Providing lesson plans, read aloud tips, ideas for supplemental activities and parent guides on the 4 books above to the MOST and Summer BreakSpot Super Site Providers, who will incorporate and distribute them to families to summer reading at home.

Recommended Action: Approve Funding for the Summer BreakSpot and MOST Broward Reads Summer Literacy Initiative.

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FROM SINAI TO SELMA

Breaking the chains of bondage and standing side-by-side in the fight for civil rights... From Sinai to Selma is a perspective on the similarities between Jewish and African American experiences in the struggle for freedom and equity. The Spiritual *Go Down, Moses*, used as code by the likes of Harriet Tubman to identify slaves yearning to escape to the North, is an example of how African Americans saw the Jewish experience of freedom from enslavement in Egypt and Babylon as a model for their struggle.

At the turn of the 20th Century, many European Jews fled to America to escape persecution. That experience motivated Jewish Americans to join the civil rights movement. As a result, both groups were exposed to anti-Black and anti-Semitic rhetoric and acts of violence.

Today, we must have honest and sometimes difficult conversations, reexamined through a racial equity lens, to move forward in redeeming the "promissory note" Dr. Martin Luther King decried as still bouncing for many of our fellow citizens.

A 10 Days of Connection Event

"Welcome by Congressman Alcee Hastings and film screening of *"From Swastika to Jim Crow,"* followed by a panel discussion with School Board Member Dr. Roslyn Osgood, Vice Mayor Brian Johnson and other African American and Jewish leaders.

**Thursday, May 9, 2019
Reception Begins at 5:30 p.m.**

**NSU Art Museum
1 E. Las Olas Blvd
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

RSVP



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Me and My Dad Challenge

March 30, 2019



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Issue: Evaluation Committee for Insurance Broker/Agent Services Request for Qualifications (RFQ).

Action: Approve Evaluation Committee for the Insurance Broker/Agent Services RFQ.

Budget Impact: None.

Background: The Council's current insurance broker is AJ Gallagher (AJG) which has been providing comprehensive insurance services for the past five years since the last RFQ. AJG continues to offer excellent services both in risk management, which includes the business type risk management insurance policies, as well as all of the employee benefits' related insurance products. Because there are no mandatory rotation requirements for insurance brokers, the current brokers are not precluded from applying.

Since it has been five years, an RFQ for Insurance Broker/ Agent Services is scheduled for release mid April 2019 for both risk management and employee benefits. However, this RFQ cycle, staff is separating Risk Management and Employee Benefits and not requiring just one organization to perform brokerage services for both types of insurance products. This will allow for additional organizations to apply as many insurance agents may provide one or the other type of brokerage services.

In accordance with Council policy, Council members may serve as raters, appoint designee raters to serve on their behalf and approve source experts to serve on evaluation committees. The evaluation committee will review and score proposals and recommendations will be presented to the Council at the June 20th Council meeting. As always, the Council has full and final authority on all contracts recommended for services.

Current Status: In addition to any Council members who wish to serve on the Evaluation Committee, it is recommended that the following individuals be approved as Evaluation Committee for Insurance Broker/Agent Services.

Proposed Raters	
Christine Klima	Chief Administrative Officer, ELC
Mike Preslo	Chief Financial Officer, Pinecrest
William Kirtland	Chief Financial Officer, Children's Trust
Debra Heim	Chief Financial Officer, CSC Palm Beach
Annette Gardiner	VP, HR Kids in Distress & Family Central, Inc.
Monti Larsen	Chief Operating Officer, CSC
Michelle Hamilton	Associate Director of Human Resources, CSC

Recommended Action: Approve Evaluation Committee for the Insurance Broker/Agent Services RFQ.

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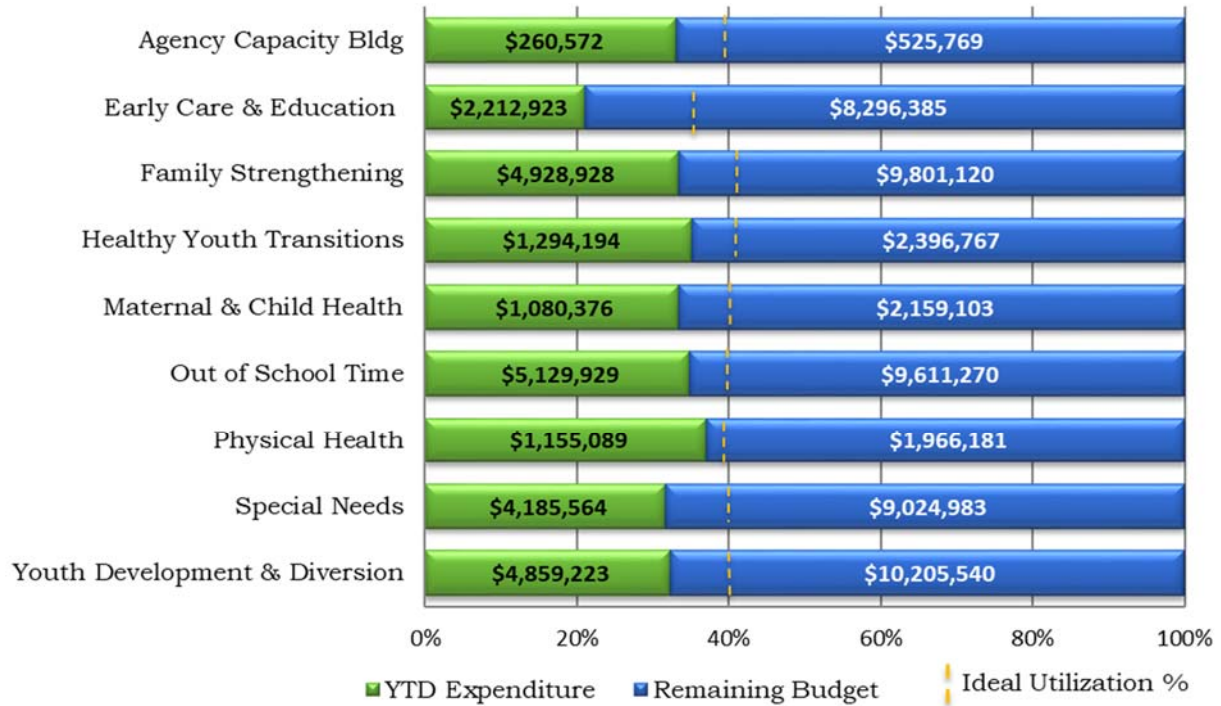
Issue:	Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements for Period Ending March 31, 2019
Action:	Approve Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements for Period Ending March 31, 2019
Budget Impact:	None

Background: The Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements through March 31, 2019 are attached for your review and approval. While the statements are through the period end, they only include expenditures for program services provided through February 2019 since programmatic billing runs a month behind. However, the administrative costs are presented through the end of March.

Current Status: A summary of the major financial highlights of the period includes:

- ◆ As of March 2019, CSC has collected \$81.2M in tax revenue receipts, which is approximately 92% of the \$88.2M annual tax revenue budget and at a rate that is on par with this time last fiscal year.
- ◆ Interest earnings on investments to date is \$514,130 which is approximately 98% more than the interest earned at this time last fiscal year, and is mainly attributable to the performance of our investments held with the SBA and the FEITF.
- ◆ The City of Hollywood rebated \$677,442 of TIF dollars paid in December 2018.
- ◆ The Program Goals report, (starting on page 6) shows that utilization for most CSC-funded programs are marginally underutilized due to various issues. We have revised the ideal utilization percentages for certain school based programs such as; MOST, Youth Force, Youth Development and STEP, to more accurately reflect utilization by unit type and the time of the year. Additionally, many school-based programs have most of their activities occurring within the summer months and that too is noted. Staff is working with individual providers and anticipate that most agencies will fully utilize by the end of the fiscal year. Any technical assistance or corrective action that may be required is indicated in the comments column. Overall, most on-going program utilization is within range of the "ideal" target rate as of the end of the first four months of services.
- ◆ ELC is significantly underutilized at this time due to a large influx of federal money and problems with the rollout of the new technology for managing payments. ELC is working diligently to move children off the waiting list but some of this money will likely go unspent.
- ◆ The chart below shows a summary of program services expenditures at 02.28.2019.

Program Services Expenditures at 02.28.2019



Recommended Action: Approve Budget Amendments and Financial Statements for Period Ending March 31, 2019



**INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Six Month Period Ended
March 31, 2019**

Submitted to Council Meeting April 18, 2019



**BUDGET AMENDMENTS
For The Six Month Period Ended
March 31, 2019**

Submitted to Council Meeting April 18, 2019



Children's Services Council of Broward County
Budget Amendments
For October 2018 through March 2019

	Beginning Budget Annualized	Total Amendments	Ending Budget Annualized	Comments
Budget Amendments reflected in the financial statements:				
Revenues:				
Comm Collaboration 10.2.1	199,795.00	12,947.00	212,742.00	Revenue commitment for REI from Broward County.
Countdown to Kindergarten 5.1.3	543,101.00	6,441.00	549,542.00	Revenue commitment for Countdown to Kindergarten.
Expenditures:				
Direct Programs:				
MOST SN Goal 10.1.1	9,774,533.00	281,487.00	10,056,020.00	Additional Non-Recurring Funding to increase SN Summer 2019 Slots - CA 3/21/19.
Unallocated	1,537,171.00	(281,487.00)	1,255,684.00	Net change in unallocated CA 3/21/19.



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Children's Services Council of Broward County
Balance Sheet
March 31, 2019

	General Fund	Prior Year
	March 31, 2019	General Fund
	March 31, 2018	March 31, 2018
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 2,810,110.93	\$ 1,910,230.11
Investments (Note 3)	65,563,720.92	59,522,050.04
Accounts & Interest Receivable	54,195.20	50,024.31
Salaries & Wages Receivable	-	146,731.84
Due from Other Governments	35,936.70	72,260.59
Due from Other Funds	-	300,000.00
Prepaid Expenses	131,644.67	171,969.78
Total Current Assets	\$ 68,595,608.42	\$ 62,173,266.67
LIABILITIES and FUND EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	302,056.81	433,633.98
Salaries & Wages Payable	300,816.17	288,461.01
Due to Other Funds	-	76,589.90
Total Liabilities	602,872.98	798,684.89
Fund Equity:		
Assigned for contracts/expenditures effective FY 19 (Note #4)	4,341,835.33	2,956,667.99
Assigned for Administration FY 19 (Note #5)	4,408,451.68	4,181,199.65
Assigned for Encumbrances FY 19	52,661,301.95	48,678,450.95
Unassigned Fund Balance: Minimum Fund Balance	8,942,060.90	8,383,946.70
Unassigned Fund Balance (Note #9)	(2,360,914.42)	(2,825,683.51)
Total Fund Equity	67,992,735.44	61,374,581.78
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 68,595,608.42	\$ 62,173,266.67

Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement



Children's Services Council of Broward County
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes In Fund Balance
For October 2018 through March 2019

	General Fund		
	March 2019 Actual	FY 2019 YTD Actual	FY 2018 Prior YTD Actual (GF)
Revenues:			
Local Sources:			
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 1,482,262.15	\$ 81,222,044.85	\$ 76,281,786.38
Interest on Investments	61,740.24	514,130.15	259,583.43
Federal Direct	-	-	-
Federal through State	-	69,717.57	92,688.90
Local Foundation(s)/Grant	22,845.67	835,390.47	855,985.71
Local Collab. Events & Resources	47,377.73	126,306.19	36,722.63
Training	1,660.00	7,550.00	9,870.00
Total Revenue	<u>1,615,885.79</u>	<u>82,775,139.23</u>	<u>77,536,637.05</u>
Expenditures:			
Total Program Services/Support (Reflects Svc thru February)	703,978.01	28,792,552.38	27,788,056.47
Total General Administration	219,198.99	1,578,508.46	1,390,804.68
Total Non-Operating	(532,681.75)	2,730,731.50	3,091,453.84
Total Capital Outlay	5,538.71	111,033.16	83,214.84
Total Expenditures	<u>396,033.96</u>	<u>33,212,825.50</u>	<u>32,353,529.83</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>\$ 1,219,851.83</u>	49,562,313.73	45,183,107.22
Beginning Fund Balance		<u>18,430,421.71</u>	<u>16,191,474.56</u>
Ending Fund Balance		<u>\$ 67,992,735.44</u>	<u>\$ 61,374,581.78</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement



**Children's Services Council of Broward County
Budget to Actual (Budgetary Basis)
Annualized - Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2019**

	FY 2019 Annual Budget	FY 2019 YTD Actual	FY 2019 Encumbrances	Annualized Encumbrances & Actual Exp.	Budget to Actual Variance	% of Actual Exp. of Budget
Revenues:						
Local Sources:						
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 88,221,437.00	\$ 81,222,044.85	\$ -	\$ 81,222,044.85	\$ (6,999,392.15)	92.07%
Interest on Investments	150,000.00	514,130.15		514,130.15	364,130.15	342.75%
Federal Through State	156,000.00	69,717.57		69,717.57	(86,282.43)	44.69%
Local Foundation(s)/Grant(s)	883,172.00	835,390.47		835,390.47	(47,781.53)	94.59%
Local Collab. Events & Resources	83,543.00	126,306.19		126,306.19	42,763.19	151.19%
Training	10,000.00	7,550.00		7,550.00	(2,450.00)	75.50%
Fund Balance	6,815,653.00	-		-	-	0.00%
Total Revenue	96,319,805.00	82,775,139.23	-	82,775,139.23	(6,729,012.77)	85.94%
Expenditures:						
Program Services:						
Direct Programs	82,265,381.00	25,865,791.13	52,057,754.54	77,923,545.67	4,341,835.33	94.72%
Monitoring	68,000.00	46,222.25	31.00	46,253.25	21,746.75	68.02%
Outcome Materials	29,000.00	10,742.99	-	10,742.99	18,257.01	37.04%
Total Program Services	82,362,381.00	25,922,756.37	52,057,785.54	77,980,541.91	4,381,839.09	94.68%
Program Support:						
Employee Salaries (Note #10)	4,245,670.00	2,080,439.07	-	2,080,439.07	2,165,230.93	49.00%
Employee Benefits (Note #10)	1,774,837.00	721,119.49	-	721,119.49	1,053,717.51	40.63%
Consulting	10,000.00	-	4,000.00	4,000.00	6,000.00	40.00%
Travel (Note #10)	50,040.00	13,277.76	-	13,277.76	36,762.24	26.53%
Software Maintenance	79,505.00	27,123.42	8,698.20	35,821.62	43,683.38	45.06%
Telephone	25,000.00	6,267.52	2,667.48	8,935.00	16,065.00	35.74%
Postage	3,000.00	1,478.38	1,243.85	2,722.23	277.77	90.74%
Advertising/Printing/Other	29,980.00	13,475.36	13,887.54	27,362.90	2,617.10	91.27%
Material and Supplies	7,770.00	1,113.22	726.77	1,839.99	5,930.01	23.68%
Dues and Fees	34,180.00	5,501.79	-	5,501.79	28,678.21	16.10%
Total Program Support	6,259,982.00	2,869,796.01	31,223.84	2,901,019.85	3,358,962.15	46.34%
Total Program Services/Support	88,622,363.00	28,792,552.38	52,089,009.38	80,881,561.76	7,740,801.24	91.27%

	FY 2019 Annual Budget	FY 2019 YTD Actual	FY 2019 Encumbrances	Annualized Encumbrances & Actual Exp.	Budget to Actual Variance	% of Actual Exp. of Budget
General Administration:						
Employee Salaries	1,770,942.00	874,613.97	-	874,613.97	896,328.03	49.39%
Employee Benefits	756,527.00	318,813.05	-	318,813.05	437,713.95	42.14%
Legal Fees	35,000.00	8,658.00	26,342.00	35,000.00	-	100.00%
Auditors	35,000.00	33,600.00	-	33,600.00	1,400.00	96.00%
Other Consultants	52,500.00	6,077.50	20,917.50	26,995.00	25,505.00	51.42%
Insurance	56,047.00	39,825.06	-	39,825.06	16,221.94	71.06%
Telecommunications	54,240.00	8,719.41	44,397.31	53,116.72	1,123.28	97.93%
Internet	8,760.00	6,797.89	1,332.11	8,130.00	630.00	92.81%
Rental - Equipment	43,474.00	9,269.72	3,554.28	12,824.00	30,650.00	29.50%
Building Operations (Note # 7)						
Facilities Management	338,282.00	93,652.25	103,372.59	197,024.84	141,257.16	58.24%
Utilities	73,800.00	24,957.36	48,842.64	73,800.00	-	100.00%
Other	10,958.00	5,538.15	5,164.07	10,702.22	255.78	97.67%
Software/Repair Maint	134,649.00	62,577.68	19,495.00	82,072.68	52,576.32	60.95%
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	62,972.00	13,300.26	13,573.70	26,873.96	36,098.04	42.68%
Travel	30,000.00	3,753.01	-	3,753.01	26,246.99	12.51%
Postage	8,000.00	1,888.12	4,089.65	5,977.77	2,022.23	74.72%
Advertising	10,670.00	-	7,500.00	7,500.00	3,170.00	70.29%
Printing	12,000.00	2,895.73	1,188.60	4,084.33	7,915.67	34.04%
Other Purchased Svc	110,982.00	42,751.61	63,244.09	105,995.70	4,986.30	95.51%
Materials and Supplies	51,765.00	11,789.11	39,082.20	50,871.31	893.69	98.27%
Dues and Fees	42,205.00	9,030.58	350.00	9,380.58	32,824.42	22.23%
Total General Administration	3,698,773.00	1,578,508.46	402,445.74	1,980,954.20	1,717,818.80	53.56%
Non-Operating						
Comm. Redevelop Agency (Note # 11)	2,983,298.00	2,296,451.64	-	2,296,451.64	686,846.36	76.98%
Property Appraiser Fees	578,103.00	434,279.86	143,823.14	578,103.00	-	100.00%
Total Non-Operating	3,561,401.00	2,730,731.50	143,823.14	2,874,554.64	686,846.36	80.71%
Capital Outlay:						
Computer Equip/Software	341,929.00	58,864.20	1,200.01	60,064.21	281,864.79	17.57%
Furniture/ Equipment	43,339.00	27,770.27	11,729.73	39,500.00	3,839.00	91.14%
Remodeling & Renovations	52,000.00	24,398.69	13,093.95	37,492.64	14,507.36	72.10%
Total Capital Outlay	437,268.00	111,033.16	26,023.69	137,056.85	300,211.15	31.34%
Total Expenditures	\$ 96,319,805.00	\$ 33,212,825.50	\$ 52,661,301.95	\$ 85,874,127.45	\$ 10,445,677.55	89.16%

Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement



**Children's Services Council of Broward County
 Program Expenditure By Goals
 Budget to Actual (Budgetary Basis)
 For the Six Month Period Ended March 31, 2019**

	Program Invoice - Prior Month		Fiscal Year 2018-2019			% of Budget	Ideal @ Feb	Comments
	February Budget	February Actual	Annualized Budget	YTD Actual Expenditures	Remaining Budget			
Services Goals:								
1.1-1 Training/Tech Assistance								
Trainers	9,500.00	9,500.00	107,446.00	41,341.70	66,104.30	38.48%		
Total Training/Tech Assist	9,500.00	9,500.00	107,446.00	41,341.70	66,104.30	38.48%		Training recently started
1.1-2 Support Organization/Program Quality								
Capacity Building	17,200.00	17,200.00	190,000.00	81,252.00	108,748.00	42.76%		
Leadership Initiatives	-	-	60,000.00	2,800.00	57,200.00	4.67%		
Total Support/Prog. Quality	17,200.00	17,200.00	250,000.00	84,052.00	165,948.00	33.62%		
1.1-3 Fiscal Support Fees								
Comm Based Connection FS Alex Rebb-Fam St	939.00	938.66	11,264.00	4,693.30	6,570.70	41.67%	41.67%	
Comm Based Connection FS Alex Rebb-LT	1,145.00	1,144.66	13,736.00	5,723.30	8,012.70	41.67%	41.67%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-Fam St	368.00	367.58	4,411.00	1,837.90	2,573.10	41.67%	41.67%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-Yth Force	565.00	565.33	6,784.00	2,826.65	3,957.35	41.67%	41.67%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-MOST SN	562.00	561.92	6,743.00	2,809.60	3,933.40	41.67%	41.67%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-STEP	589.00	588.50	7,062.00	2,942.50	4,119.50	41.67%	41.67%	
Men2Boys FS FLITE -Learning Together	1,502.00	1,502.09	18,025.00	7,510.41	10,514.59	41.67%	41.67%	
New Mirawood FS KIDS- MOST	1,581.00	1,580.92	18,971.00	7,904.60	11,066.40	41.67%	41.67%	
Unallocated			100,000.00	-	100,000.00	0.00%		To be used as needed
Total Fiscal Support Fees	7,251.00	7,249.66	186,996.00	36,248.26	150,747.74	19.38%		
1.1-4 Volunteers								
Volunteer Broward	20,158.00	17,601.42	241,899.00	98,930.25	142,968.75	40.90%	41.67%	
Total Volunteers	20,158.00	17,601.42	241,899.00	98,930.25	142,968.75	40.90%		
1 Total Agency Capacity Bldg.	54,109.00	51,551.08	786,341.00	260,572.21	525,768.79	33.14%		
2.1-1 Reduce Abuse & Neglect/Family Strengthening								
ARC, INC - PAT	52,262.00	57,312.00	627,157.00	236,755.59	390,401.41	37.75%	41.67%	
Boys & Girls Club	20,771.00	-	249,260.00	26,324.11	222,935.89	10.56%	11.11%	Invoice in process
Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BYRC)	-	-	40,000.00	-	40,000.00	0.00%		Program begins in May, 2019.
Broward Children's Center	9,931.00	9,577.00	119,181.00	43,816.29	75,364.71	36.76%	41.67%	
Camelot Community Care -FFT	9,293.00	7,696.08	239,525.00	40,524.17	199,000.83	16.92%	41.67%	Extended staff vacancy. Now fully staffed. Ongoing TA.
Center for Hear/FS KIDS	13,390.00	7,290.73	160,680.00	46,270.80	114,409.20	28.80%	41.67%	Extended staff leave in February.
Children's Harbor	38,422.00	32,699.74	461,062.00	179,340.89	281,721.11	38.90%	41.67%	
Children's Home Society	68,666.00	47,709.34	824,000.00	162,558.62	661,441.38	19.73%	41.67%	Staff vacancies filled. Upward trend.
Comm Based Connections/ FS Alex Rebb	17,594.00	15,553.38	211,150.00	83,667.25	127,482.75	39.62%	41.67%	
Family Central - Nurturing	32,939.00	31,822.95	395,267.00	152,416.44	242,850.56	38.56%	41.67%	
Father Flanagan's Boys Town	37,277.00	30,072.36	447,217.00	109,985.57	337,231.43	24.59%	41.67%	Group component implemented. Upward trend.
Juliana Gerana / Gate	22,621.00	22,002.31	271,457.00	108,214.38	163,242.62	39.86%	41.67%	
Gulf Coast CC	46,460.00	45,573.17	557,513.00	230,677.80	326,835.20	41.38%	41.67%	
Healthy Mothers/Babies	39,697.00	26,689.33	476,375.00	160,935.16	315,439.84	33.78%	41.67%	
Healthy Mothers/Babies-Mentoring	23,999.00	9,645.18	287,976.00	90,787.79	197,188.21	31.53%	41.67%	Staff vacancies. New hires expected to start in March.
Henderson - HOMEBUILDERS	34,612.00	26,347.27	515,346.00	172,559.48	342,786.52	33.48%	41.67%	
Henderson - MST	39,418.00	54,201.77	673,034.00	264,025.42	409,008.58	39.23%	41.67%	
Hispanic Unity	19,703.00	17,494.76	236,450.00	96,874.28	139,575.72	40.97%	41.67%	
JAFCO - MST	42,761.00	41,290.22	513,146.00	197,748.69	315,397.31	38.54%	41.67%	
KIDS in Distress, HOMEBUILDERS	42,038.00	38,166.20	504,461.00	191,948.11	312,512.89	38.05%	41.67%	
KIDS - KID FIRST & SAFE	100,481.00	88,143.62	1,205,774.00	473,997.82	731,776.18	39.31%	41.67%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys - SFBT	59,589.00	65,680.13	715,086.00	335,599.88	379,486.12	46.93%	41.67%	
Smith Community MH - CBT	35,307.00	36,073.63	423,706.00	178,622.87	245,083.13	42.16%	41.67%	
Training	-	-	43,500.00	-	43,500.00	0.00%		Training to be provided later in the fiscal year.
Total Reduce Abuse & Neglect	807,231.00	708,041.17	10,198,323.00	3,583,651.41	6,614,671.59	35.14%		

	February Budget	February Actual	Annualized Budget	YTD Actual Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget	Ideal @ Feb	Comments
2.1-2 Kinship/Non-Relative Care								
Kids in Distress	46,811.00	35,520.75	561,739.00	242,922.71	318,816.29	43.24%	41.67%	
Harmony	12,775.00	9,937.86	153,316.00	49,561.00	103,755.00	32.33%	41.67%	Low enrollment.
Legal Aid of Broward County, Inc	26,449.00	26,014.97	317,402.00	125,189.09	192,212.91	39.44%	41.67%	
Mental Health Assoc	11,793.00	11,667.91	141,522.00	49,173.33	92,348.67	34.75%	41.67%	
Total Kinship/Non-Relative Care	97,828.00	83,141.49	1,173,979.00	466,846.13	707,132.87	39.77%		
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2.1-3 Trauma Care								
Broward Behavioral Health	-	-	500,000.00	-	500,000.00	0.00%		Contract execution in process.
Create Global Healing	-	-	56,500.00	45,500.00	11,000.00	80.53%		AEAP anticipated to reimburse
JAFCO - AEAP	62,305.00	-	560,752.00	-	560,752.00	0.00%		Services began in January. Invoice pending.
JAFCO - CSC	6,666.00	-	60,000.00	-	60,000.00	0.00%		Services began in January. Invoice pending.
Furniture & Equipment	-	-	43,230.00	6,695.00	36,535.00	15.49%		New program. Purchase in process.
Unallocated	-	-	80,465.00	-	80,465.00	0.00%		
Total Kinship/Non-Relative Care	68,971.00	-	1,300,947.00	52,195.00	1,248,752.00	4.01%		
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2.1 Total Service Goal 2.1	974,030.00	791,182.66	12,673,249.00	4,102,692.54	8,570,556.46	32.37%		
2.2-1 Prosperity								
EITC								
Hispanic Unity	26,250.00	53,049.71	315,000.00	131,955.98	183,044.02	41.89%	41.67%	
CCB	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	100.00%	100.00%	
Hunger								
Brow County FA for BWBC	-	-	20,000.00	-	20,000.00	0.00%		Paid as clients reach goals
Florida Impact	5,000.00	4,019.18	60,000.00	19,876.24	40,123.76	33.13%	41.67%	
Harvest Drive	-	-	20,000.00	20,000.00	-	100.00%	100.00%	
LifeNet4Families - Hunger	-	-	33,990.00	-	33,990.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
So FL Hunger: Breakspot	-	-	59,740.00	-	59,740.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
So FL Hunger: Mobile Food Pantry	5,833.00	8,636.10	70,000.00	32,518.20	37,481.80	46.45%	41.67%	
Unallocated	-	-	1,174.00	-	1,174.00	0.00%		
Total Prosperity EITC/Hunger	37,083.00	65,704.99	589,904.00	214,350.42	375,553.58	36.34%		
					-			
2 Total Family Strengthening	1,011,113.00	856,887.65	13,263,153.00	4,317,042.96	8,946,110.04	32.55%		
3.1-1 Youth Force								
ASP, Inc	46,279.00	37,262.50	579,093.00	189,540.95	389,552.05	32.73%	40.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS	15,972.00	11,926.38	252,924.00	68,427.10	184,496.90	27.05%	40.00%	School year components on track; Robust summer.
Community Access Center, Inc	11,008.00	10,552.28	144,092.00	50,929.28	93,162.72	35.34%	40.00%	
Community Reconstruction Housing- North	11,362.00	8,499.76	150,000.00	54,137.84	95,862.16	36.09%	40.00%	
Community Reconstruction Housing- South	14,497.00	11,000.52	199,898.00	67,890.96	132,007.04	33.96%	40.00%	
Crockett Foundation, Inc	18,965.00	17,542.60	246,000.00	90,412.49	155,587.51	36.75%	40.00%	
HANDY	35,914.00	36,400.67	419,981.00	181,896.95	238,084.05	43.31%	40.00%	
Hanley Ctr Foundation	2,500.00	2,500.01	30,000.00	12,500.05	17,499.95	41.67%	40.00%	
Harmony Development Center, Inc.	32,967.00	32,507.86	428,240.00	154,630.46	273,609.54	36.11%	40.00%	
Hispanic Unity	90,162.00	75,231.99	1,086,955.00	405,194.64	681,760.36	37.28%	40.00%	
Memorial Healthcare System	46,561.00	36,907.27	553,031.00	185,959.32	367,071.68	33.63%	40.00%	
Opportunities Ind Ctr (OIC)	24,852.00	22,669.00	291,261.00	133,720.66	157,540.34	45.91%	40.00%	
Smith Community MH Foundation	40,104.00	40,729.01	493,564.00	180,502.18	313,061.82	36.57%	40.00%	
Urban League of Broward County, Inc.	14,190.00	13,358.72	185,862.00	64,433.65	121,428.35	34.67%	40.00%	
West Park, City of	14,199.00	-	206,000.00	52,957.93	153,042.07	25.71%	40.00%	Invoice pending. Anticipated to be on track.
Wyman TOP Training	-	-	9,000.00	-	9,000.00	0.00%		Provider bills one time per year (in July).
YMCA of S FL.	60,828.00	55,169.96	762,252.00	296,171.06	466,080.94	38.85%	40.00%	
Total Youth Force	480,360.00	412,258.53	6,038,153.00	2,189,305.52	3,848,847.48	36.26%		

	February Budget	February Actual	Annualized Budget	YTD Actual Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget	Ideal @ Feb	Comments
3.1-3 LEAP High (Sustained High Schools)								
Hispanic Unity	32,607.00	31,779.08	404,223.00	178,462.92	225,760.08	44.15%	39.00%	
Hispanic Unity-COMPASS LEVERAGE	10,237.00	10,323.29	102,371.00	32,863.91	69,507.09	32.10%	39.00%	
Motivational Edge	10,000.00	-	50,000.00	-	50,000.00	0.00%	20.00%	Recruitment issues. Invoice pending.
YMCA	160,484.00	184,613.23	1,764,029.00	882,278.02	881,750.98	50.01%	39.00%	Overenrolled at one site.
Unallocated	-	-	535,170.00	-	535,170.00	0.00%		Reserved for RFP
Grand total LEAP	213,328.00	226,715.60	2,855,793.00	1,093,604.85	1,762,188.15	38.29%		
3.1-4 Summer Youth Employment								
CareerSource	50,072.00	12,145.90	1,835,153.00	61,506.53	1,773,646.47	3.35%		Summer Program
Total Summer Yth Employment	50,072.00	12,145.90	1,835,153.00	61,506.53	1,773,646.47	3.35%		
3.1-5 Learning Together								
Crockett Foundation, Inc	21,457.00	17,731.21	257,500.00	97,697.02	159,802.98	37.94%	41.67%	
Community Based Connection FS Alex Rebb	21,458.00	21,708.99	257,500.00	103,979.04	153,520.96	40.38%	41.67%	
Men2Boys FS FLITE	21,457.00	17,324.82	257,500.00	95,437.36	162,062.64	37.06%	41.67%	
Total Learning Together	64,372.00	56,765.02	772,500.00	297,113.42	475,386.58	38.46%		
3.1-6 Youth Leadership Development								
Broward Youth Shine	400.00	-	6,700.00	2,050.00	4,650.00	30.60%	41.67%	Invoice in pending.
YMCA of SFL (GNS)	1,114.00	1,473.71	11,143.00	6,403.21	4,739.79	57.46%	41.67%	High utilization due to implementation of gib project.
Unallocated	-	-	38,857.00	-	38,857.00	0.00%		
Total Youth Leadership Development	1,514.00	1,473.71	56,700.00	8,453.21	48,246.79	14.91%		
3.1 Total Service Goal 3.1	809,646.00	709,358.76	11,558,299.00	3,649,983.53	7,908,315.47	31.58%		
3.2-1 Diversion Programs								
New Day								
Broward Sheriff's Office	65,251.00	56,652.25	783,000.00	252,299.00	530,701.00	32.22%	41.67%	Staff vacancy resolved. Upward trend anticipated.
Camelot CC	14,045.00	-	340,543.00	94,063.82	246,479.18	27.62%	41.67%	Extended staff vacancies. TA provided. Invoice pending.
Harmony Development Ctr	18,658.00	19,818.25	223,893.00	111,222.50	112,670.50	49.68%	41.67%	
Henderson BH	33,860.00	26,280.05	367,433.00	113,386.50	254,046.50	30.86%	41.67%	Staff vacancy. New Staff started March 15th.
Julianna Gerena & Assoc	30,301.00	29,519.77	371,282.00	171,307.74	199,974.26	46.14%	41.67%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys	48,739.00	41,327.01	584,875.00	201,134.15	383,740.85	34.39%	41.67%	
PACE Center for Girls	17,607.00	14,315.32	212,141.00	69,618.40	142,522.60	32.82%	41.67%	
Smith Mental Health Assoc	14,951.00	-	208,862.00	56,772.70	152,089.30	27.18%	41.67%	Invoices pending. Training of new fiscal staff.
Urban League of Broward	24,994.00	16,581.46	299,935.00	70,375.70	229,559.30	23.46%	41.67%	TA provided to improve utilization.
Training	-	-	25,000.00	6,283.33	18,716.67	25.13%		Trainings scheduled for March 2019.
Total Diversion Programs	268,406.00	204,494.11	3,416,964.00	1,146,463.84	2,270,500.16	33.55%		
3.2-2 Juvenile Assessment Center								
Broward Sheriff's Office-JAC	-	-	89,500.00	62,775.46	26,724.54	70.14%	50.00%	Jan. & Feb. invoices pending.
Total JAC	-	-	89,500.00	62,775.46	26,724.54	70.14%		
3.2 Total Service Goal 3.2	268,406.00	204,494.11	3,506,464.00	1,209,239.30	2,297,224.70	34.49%		
3 Total Delinquency Prev & Div.	1,078,052.00	913,852.87	15,064,763.00	4,859,222.83	10,205,540.17	32.26%		
4.1-1 Healthy Youth Transitions (HYT)								
Camelot CC	33,022.00	26,563.97	396,277.00	138,330.21	257,946.79	34.91%	41.67%	
FLITE	14,763.00	13,253.15	177,160.00	66,207.03	110,952.97	37.37%	41.67%	
Gulf Coast	37,875.00	30,383.82	454,518.00	162,791.12	291,726.88	35.82%	41.67%	
HANDY	57,342.00	45,282.42	688,127.00	235,458.96	452,668.04	34.22%	41.67%	
Henderson BH-Wilson Gardens	19,061.00	14,021.74	228,740.00	65,946.98	162,793.02	28.83%	41.67%	Staff on extended leave.
Housing Opp Mort Assist (HOMES)	8,333.00	5,042.64	100,000.00	32,432.29	67,567.71	32.43%	41.67%	Low referrals. Recruitment in process.
Memorial Healthcare	53,531.00	54,926.81	642,380.00	245,368.58	397,011.42	38.20%	41.67%	
Museum of Discovery & Science	7,999.00	-	97,534.00	26,529.86	71,004.14	27.20%	41.67%	Amendment pending. Upward trend anticipated.
PACE Ctr for Girls	21,721.00	21,047.53	260,673.00	115,025.89	145,647.11	44.13%	41.67%	
SunServe	29,445.00	26,902.85	353,362.00	117,793.22	235,568.78	33.33%	41.67%	
Urban League of Broward County	24,349.00	19,250.09	292,190.00	88,309.55	203,880.45	30.22%	41.67%	TA provided to improve utilization.
Total Healthy Youth Transitions (HYT)	307,441.00	256,675.02	3,690,961.00	1,294,193.69	2,396,767.31	35.06%		
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5.1-1 Subsidized Childcare								
Early Learning Coalition	466,070.00	61,080.77	5,592,850.00	675,680.95	4,917,169.05	12.08%	41.67%	State funds used first.
Early Learning Coalition-Vol Pop	269,287.00	194,100.62	3,195,850.00	971,881.55	2,223,968.45	30.41%	41.67%	Referrals increasing. Upward trend anticipated.
Total Subsidized Childcare	735,357.00	255,181.39	8,788,700.00	1,647,562.50	7,141,137.50	18.75%		
5.1-2 Preschool Training								
Family Central (PBS)	73,731.00	81,976.33	884,770.00	381,934.77	502,835.23	43.17%	41.67%	
Training	-	-	10,000.00	3,984.75	6,015.25	39.85%		Additional training still to be scheduled.
Total Preschool Training	73,731.00	81,976.33	894,770.00	385,919.52	508,850.48	43.13%		
5.1-3 Grade Level Reading Campaign								
KidVision/WPBT and Word A Day	-	-	76,000.00	57,000.00	19,000.00	75.00%		
Broward Reads	17,200.00	17,199.12	82,779.00	24,656.24	58,122.76	29.79%		
Countdown to Kindergarten	-	-	9,537.00	2,724.18	6,812.82	28.56%	41.67%	TA being provided to address invoicing
Broward Reads for the Record	-	-	85,000.00	-	85,000.00	0.00%		
Reading & Math	17,583.00	18,226.88	211,000.00	73,601.42	137,398.58	34.88%	41.67%	
Volunteer Broward	7,102.00	4,231.49	85,226.00	21,458.67	63,767.33	25.18%	41.67%	Staff vacancy - Recently hired.
Total Grade Level Reading Campaign	41,885.00	39,657.49	549,542.00	179,440.51	370,101.49	32.65%		
5.1-4 Child Care Accreditation								
Unallocated	-	-	276,296.00	-	276,296.00	0.00%		
Total Child Care Accreditation	-	-	276,296.00	-	276,296.00	0.00%		
5 Total Early Care & Education	850,973.00	376,815.21	10,509,308.00	2,212,922.53	8,296,385.47	21.06%		
6.1-1 Adoption Campaign/Foster Parent Recruitment								
Gialogic -Forever Families	14,753.00	14,752.58	177,031.00	73,762.90	103,268.10	41.67%	41.67%	
Heart Gallery	3,004.00	2,916.00	36,050.00	14,580.00	21,470.00	40.44%	41.67%	
Total Adoption Campaign/Foster Parent Recruitment	17,757.00	17,668.58	213,081.00	88,342.90	124,738.10	41.46%		
6.1-2 Legal Assistance/ Child Welfare / Recruitment								
Legal Aid - Dependency System	61,370.00	66,631.50	736,450.00	317,655.00	418,795.00	43.13%	41.67%	
Legal Aid - DJJ/Crossover	27,411.00	26,315.52	328,929.00	126,146.60	202,782.40	38.35%	41.67%	
Legal Aid of Broward County - LAW LINE	7,038.00	6,429.74	84,460.00	33,371.59	51,088.41	39.51%	41.67%	
Total Legal Assistance/Child Welfare/ Recruitment	95,819.00	99,376.76	1,149,839.00	477,173.19	672,665.81	41.50%		
6.1-3 Early Child Court								
Henderson BH	4,998.00	4,588.50	60,000.00	22,701.00	37,299.00	37.84%	41.67%	
Total Child Court	4,998.00	4,588.50	60,000.00	22,701.00	37,299.00	37.84%		
6 Total Child Welfare System Support	118,574.00	121,633.84	1,422,920.00	588,217.09	834,702.91	41.34%		
7.1-1 Leadership/Quality for Out-of-School Programs								
FLCSC/Mott-Lev	-	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	100.00%		
Total Leadership/Quality MOST	-	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	100.00%		
7.1-2 Maximizing Out of School Time: Elementary (MOST)								
Advocacy Network for Disabilities	8,583.00	6,680.05	103,000.00	32,684.19	70,315.81	31.73%	36.00%	
After School Programs	350,787.00	300,149.40	4,316,911.00	1,540,864.98	2,776,046.02	35.69%	36.00%	
Boys & Girls Clubs	53,919.00	43,995.81	1,239,938.00	244,196.71	995,741.29	19.69%	36.00%	Robust summer.
City of Hallandale Beach	8,920.00	5,967.63	160,451.00	27,145.68	133,305.32	16.92%	36.00%	Annual fees collected at start, impacted billing.
City of Hollywood	21,295.00	15,107.17	572,567.00	91,792.83	480,774.17	16.03%	36.00%	Robust summer.
Community After School	22,617.00	20,974.27	395,086.00	99,160.18	295,925.82	25.10%	36.00%	Robust summer.
Community After School w/Margate CRA	21,000.00	21,862.36	363,326.00	103,321.42	260,004.58	28.44%	36.00%	
Hallandale - CRA	-	-	501,451.00	500,282.00	1,169.00	99.77%	100.00%	
Hollywood Beach - CRA	-	-	228,665.00	228,665.00	-	100.00%	100.00%	
Kids in Distress	13,279.00	10,667.80	192,610.00	55,039.75	137,570.25	28.58%	36.00%	
City of Miramar	9,521.00	-	154,216.00	26,648.37	127,567.63	17.28%	33.33%	February invoice pending. Robust summer anticipated.
New Mirawood Academy w/ KIDS as FS	19,375.00	16,020.72	271,013.00	80,367.75	190,645.25	29.65%	36.00%	
Russell Life Skills	10,506.00	11,482.65	144,922.00	52,026.10	92,895.90	35.90%	36.00%	
Soref JCC	26,176.00	24,414.88	337,497.00	124,330.49	213,166.51	36.84%	36.00%	
Sunshine After School	107,694.00	100,060.07	1,503,071.00	500,981.07	1,002,089.93	33.33%	36.00%	
YMCA of S FL.	288,268.00	253,751.19	3,474,500.00	1,235,438.13	2,239,061.87	35.56%	36.00%	
YMCA of S FL.-with Deerfield CRA	14,172.00	22,124.13	216,041.00	107,169.79	108,871.21	49.61%	36.00%	Overserving the Deerfield Beach CRA
YMCA of S FL. -SPARK Fidelity	3,519.00	6,965.00	42,228.00	19,318.00	22,910.00	45.75%	41.67%	
Back to School - Supplies	-	-	65,000.00	28,000.00	37,000.00	43.08%		Event held in the summer
Training	2,700.00	2,700.00	66,200.00	8,400.00	57,800.00	12.69%		Trainings scheduled for March, 2019

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Lights on Afterschool	-	-	10,000.00	9,096.89	903.11	90.97%		
Sub-Total MOST: Elementary	982,331.00	862,923.13	14,358,693.00	5,114,929.33	9,243,763.67	35.62%		
7.1-3 Summer Only Programs: Elementary (MOST)								
Lauderdale Lakes	-	-	103,487.00	-	103,487.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
West Park	-	-	60,026.00	-	60,026.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
New Hope World Outreach	-	-	92,368.00	-	92,368.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
Urban League of Broward County	-	-	111,625.00	-	111,625.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
Total Summer Only Programs: Elementary (MOST)	-	-	367,506.00	-	367,506.00	0.00%		
7 Total Out of School Time	982,331.00	862,923.13	14,741,199.00	5,129,929.33	9,611,269.67	34.80%		
8.1-1 School Based Health Care								
Sierra w / Coral Springs CRA	9,638.00	10,830.00	106,020.00	52,440.00	53,580.00	49.46%	41.67%	
Sierra Lifecare, Inc.	144,573.00	162,450.00	1,590,300.00	786,600.00	803,700.00	49.46%	41.67%	
Total School Based Health Care	154,211.00	173,280.00	1,696,320.00	839,040.00	857,280.00	49.46%		
8.1-2 Water Safety								
Swim Central/Broward County	58,580.00	-	702,960.00	47,400.00	655,560.00	6.74%	41.67%	Jan & Feb invoices pending. Low utilization in winter.
Brow Health-Prevent Drowning	23,686.00	17,436.45	276,740.00	95,183.35	181,556.65	34.39%	41.67%	
MNetwork Water Watchers	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	-	100.00%		
Total Water Safety	89,766.00	24,936.45	987,200.00	150,083.35	837,116.65	15.20%		
8.1-3 Kid Care Insurance Outreach								
Kid Care Outreach/BC Health Dept.	36,479.00	25,603.49	437,750.00	165,965.66	271,784.34	37.91%	41.67%	
Total Kid Care Insurance	36,479.00	25,603.49	437,750.00	165,965.66	271,784.34	37.91%		
8 Total Physical Health	280,456.00	223,819.94	3,121,270.00	1,155,089.01	1,966,180.99	37.01%		
9.1-1 Home Visiting								
BRHPC-Healthy Families	171,628.00	137,402.31	2,059,557.00	670,565.07	1,388,991.93	32.56%	41.67%	Low enrollment. Upward trend anticipated.
Total Home Visiting	171,628.00	137,402.31	2,059,557.00	670,565.07	1,388,991.93	32.56%		
9.1-2 Support Maternal Child Health								
Healthy Mothers/HB	38,732.00	30,712.88	464,784.00	165,161.76	299,622.24	35.54%	41.67%	
Memorial Healthcare System	34,614.00	38,513.75	415,388.00	175,848.37	239,539.63	42.33%	41.67%	
Unallocated	-	-	150,000.00	-	150,000.00	0.00%		Reserved for potential waitlist.
Total Maternal Child Health	73,346.00	69,226.63	1,030,172.00	341,010.13	689,161.87	33.10%		
9.1-3 Explore Fetal/Infant Mortality Factors								
Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies SAFE SLEEP	12,479.00	9,470.68	149,750.00	68,801.08	80,948.92	45.94%	41.67%	
Total Infant Mortality Factors	12,479.00	9,470.68	149,750.00	68,801.08	80,948.92	45.94%		
9 Total Maternal & Child Health	257,453.00	216,099.62	3,239,479.00	1,080,376.28	2,159,102.72	33.35%	41.67%	
10.1-1 Physical Development- MOST SN After School								
After School Programs/Quest	43,457.00	36,609.64	595,310.00	167,676.27	427,633.73	28.17%	36.00%	
Ann Storck Center	21,314.00	19,048.54	283,062.00	85,216.43	197,845.57	30.11%	36.00%	
ARC	101,763.00	106,004.07	1,602,753.00	531,628.77	1,071,124.23	33.17%	36.00%	
Broward Children's Center	36,681.00	34,981.23	635,732.00	158,681.65	477,050.35	24.96%	36.00%	Robust Summer.
Ctr for Hearing/FS KIDS	11,812.00	11,042.00	274,982.00	55,101.00	219,881.00	20.04%	36.00%	Robust Summer.
Smith Community MH (BH)	61,525.00	56,161.44	897,091.00	283,966.28	613,124.72	31.65%	36.00%	
United Cerebral Palsy	51,145.00	40,298.48	716,656.00	207,381.95	509,274.05	28.94%	36.00%	
YMCA of S FL	346,474.00	334,326.40	4,618,262.00	1,630,022.43	2,988,239.57	35.30%	36.00%	
Total SN After School Programs	674,171.00	638,471.80	9,623,848.00	3,119,674.78	6,504,173.22	32.42%		
10.1-1 Summer Only Programs SN - MOST RFP								
JAFCO	-	-	329,783.00	-	329,783.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
City of Pembroke Pines (Summer Only)	-	-	102,389.00	-	102,389.00	0.00%		Summer only program.
Total SN Summer Programs	-	-	432,172.00	-	432,172.00	0.00%		
Total SN MOST Programs	674,171.00	638,471.80	10,056,020.00	3,119,674.78	6,936,345.22	31.02%		

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10.1-2 STEP SN								
Abilities	7,682.00	6,905.76	92,185.00	36,697.35	55,487.65	39.81%	33.00%	
ARC	27,881.00	30,097.35	397,362.00	132,135.13	265,226.87	33.25%	33.00%	
Ctr for Hearing/ FS KIDS	15,670.00	25,669.33	258,130.00	99,872.41	158,257.59	38.69%	33.00%	
Junior Achievement- LEVERAGE	-	-	7,000.00	-	7,000.00	0.00%		New leverage
Smith Community Mental Health	20,218.00	15,384.51	284,429.00	80,205.39	204,223.61	28.20%	33.00%	
United Cerebral Palsy	31,624.00	32,232.09	491,565.00	158,660.60	332,904.40	32.28%	33.00%	
YMCA of S FL	37,317.00	38,835.05	582,872.00	155,648.21	427,223.79	26.70%	33.00%	
Sub-Total STEP SN	140,392.00	149,124.09	2,113,543.00	663,219.09	1,450,323.91	31.38%		
10.1-3 Information/Referral Network SN								
First Call for Help - SN	67,528.00	64,908.40	810,347.00	324,758.17	485,588.83	40.08%	41.67%	
Unallocated	-	-	26,446.00	-	26,446.00	0.00%		
Total Inform/Referral Network SN	67,528.00	64,908.40	836,793.00	324,758.17	512,034.83	38.81%		
10.1-4 Respite Services- BREAK								
Memorial Healthcare System(BH)	7,005.00	6,283.79	84,058.00	35,058.55	48,999.45	41.71%	41.67%	
Smith Community MH (BH)	7,202.00	5,863.92	86,433.00	36,515.53	49,917.47	42.25%	41.67%	
Total Respite Services-BREAK	14,207.00	12,147.71	170,491.00	71,574.08	98,916.92	41.98%		
10.1-5 SN Parent Training								
SN Parent Training	-	-	10,000.00	493.00	9,507.00	4.93%		To be used as needed
SN Parent Interpreters	320.00	320.00	14,000.00	5,845.00	8,155.00	41.75%		To be used as needed
Unallocated	-	-	9,700.00	-	9,700.00	0.00%		
Total SN Parent Training	320.00	320.00	33,700.00	6,338.00	27,362.00	18.81%		
10.1 Total Service Goal 10.1	896,618.00	864,972.00	13,210,547.00	4,185,564.12	9,024,982.88	31.68%		
11.1-1 Safety/Anti-Bullying								
United Way- Choose Peace	3,664.00	2,477.94	43,975.00	23,667.56	20,307.44	53.82%	41.67%	Large project early in the year.
Total Safety/Anti-Bullying	3,664.00	2,477.94	43,975.00	23,667.56	20,307.44	53.82%		
11 Total Child Safety	3,664.00	2,477.94	43,975.00	23,667.56	20,307.44	53.82%		
Grand Total Service Goals	5,840,784.00	4,747,708.30	79,093,916.00	25,106,797.61	53,987,118.39	31.74%		
Systems Goals:								
1.1-2 Single Point of Entry								
First Call for Help	31,279.00	27,344.81	375,345.00	144,139.98	231,205.02	38.40%	41.67%	
Total Single Point of Entry	31,279.00	27,344.81	375,345.00	144,139.98	231,205.02	38.40%		
1.1 Total System Goal 1.1	31,279.00	27,344.81	375,345.00	144,139.98	231,205.02			
1.2-1 Leadership/Resources/Community Strategic Plan								
Consultants -Undoing Racism, FSNF,etc.	10,299.00	10,298.80	108,467.00	75,092.80	33,374.20	69.23%		
SN Assessment	-	-	60,600.00	31,800.00	28,800.00	52.48%		
Consultants - OPS	2,070.00	2,069.27	29,853.00	12,404.72	17,448.28	41.55%		
Unallocated	-	-	13,822.00	-	13,822.00	0.00%		
Total Leadership/Resources/Community Strategic	12,369.00	12,368.07	212,742.00	119,297.52	93,444.48	56.08%		
1.2-2 Improve Provider Reporting								
SAMIS Maintenance/Enhancement	-	-	84,291.00	80,145.00	4,146.00	95.08%		
TBD	-	-	85,000.00	-	85,000.00	0.00%		
Unallocated	-	-	42,400.00	-	42,400.00	0.00%		
Total Improve Provider Reporting	-	-	211,691.00	80,145.00	131,546.00	37.86%		
1.2-4 Integrated Data Collaboration								
Consultant	3,040.00	3,039.95	60,000.00	18,039.95	41,960.05	30.07%		
Webauthor	-	-	80,000.00	3,117.50	76,882.50	3.90%		
Unallocated	-	-	80,000.00	-	80,000.00	0.00%		
Total Integrated Data Collaboration	3,040.00	3,039.95	220,000.00	21,157.45	198,842.55	9.62%		
1.2 Total System Goal 1.2	15,409.00	15,408.02	644,433.00	220,599.97	423,833.03	34.23%		
101 Total Seamless System of Care	46,688.00	42,752.83	1,019,778.00	364,739.95	655,038.05	35.77%		

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2.1-1 Public Awareness - Sponsorships					-			
Sponsorships	2,000.00	2,000.00	35,000.00	32,785.00	2,215.00	93.67%		
High Traffic Sponsorships	-	-	15,000.00	9,855.00	5,145.00	65.70%		
Total Sponsorships	2,000.00	2,000.00	50,000.00	42,640.00	7,360.00	85.28%		
2.1-2 Public Awareness - Educate Taxpayers								
Marketing	50,000.00	17,929.45	408,800.00	161,881.93	246,918.07	39.60%		
Outreach Materials	-	-	33,800.00	32,900.00	900.00	97.34%		
Printing	-	-	5,800.00	1,242.00	4,558.00	21.41%		
Sponsorship-Resource Guides	-	-	128,700.00	38,610.00	90,090.00	30.00%		
BECON - Future First	200.00	200.00	31,600.00	800.00	30,800.00	2.53%		
M Network- Website Consulting	2,700.00	2,700.00	70,000.00	11,660.75	58,339.25	16.66%		
Nova SE University - Day for Children	-	-	7,500.00	-	7,500.00	0.00%		
Taoti Creative-Website Hosting	-	-	27,080.00	9,296.25	17,783.75	34.33%		
Total Educate Taxpayers	52,900.00	20,829.45	713,280.00	256,390.93	456,889.07	35.95%		
2.1-3 Public Awareness - Outreach								
Business Plan-FLCSC	-	-	84,126.00	84,126.00	-	100.00%		
Consultant	3,750.00	3,750.00	15,000.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	50.00%		
Travel	-	-	3,597.00	3,596.64	0.36	99.99%		
Total Outreach	3,750.00	3,750.00	102,723.00	95,222.64	7,500.36	92.70%		
201 Total Public Awareness & Advocacy	58,650.00	26,579.45	866,003.00	394,253.57	471,749.43	45.53%		
3.1-1 Leveraging Resources								
Unallocated	-	-	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	0.00%		To be used as needed
Total Leveraging Resources	-	-	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	0.00%		
301 Total Leveraging Resources	-	-	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	0.00%		
Grand Total System Goals	105,338.00	69,332.28	1,915,781.00	758,993.52	1,156,787.48	39.62%		
Unallocated	-	-	1,255,684.00	-	1,255,684.00			
Program Goals Grand Total	\$ 5,946,122.00	\$ 4,817,040.58	\$ 82,265,381.00	\$ 25,865,791.13	\$ 56,399,589.87	31.44%		



Children's Services Council of Broward County
Notes to the Financial Statements
March 31, 2019

- (1) The Children's Services Council of Broward County ("CSC") budgets, as revenue, 95% of the property taxes levied, as allowed by state statute.
- (2) The modified accrual basis of accounting is utilized by CSC. Under the modified accrual basis, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become available and measurable. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred, if measurable.
- (3) Funds invested in the SBA, Wells Fargo Advantage Funds, and Florida Education Investment Trust Fund accommodate pool participants with readily available cash. The pool follows GASB Statement No. 31 which outlines two options for accounting and reporting for money market investment pools as either "2a-7 like fund" or fluctuation of the net asset value ("NAV"). CSC accounts for investments funds using the first method.
- (4) Includes various pending contracts not yet encumbered such as new initiatives, Summer 2019, new RFP's occurring mid year, and other pending initiatives and items that do not lend themselves to be encumbered.
- (5) The reserved for administrative costs include projected expenditure for salary, fringe, travel, supplies, etc. for FY 2018/19
- (6) The Budget to Actual Expenditures report reflects the annual budget, year-to-date expenditures and annual encumbrances. The report calculates the annual variance and the percentage of actual to the budget. This report provides an annual perspective of how the CSC is expected to perform throughout the year.
- (7) The accumulating balance in the Building Operations Budget to Actual is aggregating a reserve for capital improvements to be used as necessary.
- (8) The expenditures on the Program Services Goal Report run a month behind. Amounts reflected in the current month are for services provided during the prior month. This timing delay is due to the invoice due date on the 10th of the month following service delivery. Therefore, the Programs Goal Report is for services through the month of February. The report includes March 2019 administrative costs.
- (9) Unassigned fund balance changes as revenue is received and actual expenditures are incurred.
- (10) Salary, Fringe and Travel budget and expenditures are included for the SAMIS Director Position for when CSC serves as the Salary Agent. The revenue and related expenditures are considered Pass Through Funds and do not have an impact on CSC Broward's financial statements.
- (11) The City of Hollywood rebated \$677,442 as a refund of Tax Increment payment for FY 18/19

TAB 19



For Council Meeting

April 18, 2019

Issue: CSC Monthly Purchases for Administrative Operations

Action: Approve CSC Monthly/Annual Purchases

Budget Impact: See attached Report

Background: The State Statute creating and governing the CSC, Chapter 2000-461, as amended, states:

Section 6: No funds of the council shall be expended except by check as aforesaid, except the expenditure of petty cash or the issuance of checks made payable for sums no greater than \$5,000, shall be expended without prior approval of the council, in addition to the budgeting thereof.

The Council's procurement policies and procedures stipulate that expenditures are approved by the Council prior to being expended. As such, the financial system requires a Council Approval (CA) date at multiple points throughout the system including all processed payments. Internal controls for tracking expenditures in accordance with the statute are validated by auditors every year and there have been no significant deviations since the inception of the Council.

Since 2004 at the Council's direction, staff was instructed to only provide back-up material for purchases when the item is over \$10,000. As always, back-up for purchases below \$10,000 are available upon request.

Current Status: In accordance with policy, please find attached the Invoices, Travel, Purchase Orders, Sponsorships, etc. for the month of April, 2019. To facilitate reviewing the various purchases, staff has segregated the items into various categories. All purchases listed are with the budget approved by the Council at TRIM as amended from time to time.

Please note that items over \$10,000 have a specific Issue Paper or copy of the related back-up attached to further explain the expenditure. Additional information for any expenditure is available upon request.

Recommended Action: Approve CSC Monthly/Annual Purchases

Budget Impact: See attached Report



**List of Invoices, Travel, Purchase Orders, Sponsorships, etc.
Submitted to the Children's Services Council
April 18, 2019**

		Amount	Comment
Back-up documentation is available upon request.			
<u>Purchase Orders (less than \$10,000):</u>			
Amazon/ Office Depot	Misc office supplies & small equipment	\$ 5,000.00	Blanket PO to be used as needed.
DAX	Budget book - copying and binding 65 books	\$ 6,500.00	
Microsoft	3 addtl licenses for 2019 Annual Office 365 and Visio	\$ 360.00	
Pitney Bowes	Ink for postage machine	\$ 242.97	
QSR International	Nvivo annual renewal (3 @\$360ea)- Analysis software	\$ 1,080.00	
<u>Program Related Purchases:</u>			
Logomix, Inc	Logo for Broward Data collaborative	\$ 40.00	
<u>Facilities Operations:</u>			
Cintas	Monthly maintenance of bathroom floor mats, deodorizers and soap dispensers	\$ 1,200.00	Service To begin May 1, 2019
Willow Landscaping	Monthly Landscape Maintenance	\$ 7,500.00	Change of vendor
Willow Landscaping	Enhancements to property	\$ 8,740.00	
Willow Landscaping	Landscape refresh / replant due to accident	\$ 2,235.00	To be reimb via insurance claim
<u>Employee Travel and Training:</u>			
Kathleen Campbell & Marlando Christie	CRASF 2019 Summit; 02/28/19; Davie	\$ 105.00	
Kathleen Campbell	Finance Seminar; 3/7/19; Cooper City	\$ 35.00	
Marissa Greif Hackett	Child Welfare League of America; Natl Conference; 4/13/19; Washington DC	\$ 1,330.00	
Dion Smith	52nd Annual Conference - American Assoc of Suicidology; 4/24-4/28/19; Denver	\$ 3,500.00	
Carl Dasse	2019 FCAN Summit; 5/6-5/8/19; Orlando	\$ 743.00	
Michelle Hagues, Maria Juarez	Behavioral Health conference; 5/14-5/15/19; Ft Laud	\$ 170.00	
Carl Dasse	2019 Positive Pathway conference; 5/30-5/31/19; St Petersburg	\$ 598.00	
Anne Alexandra Lemoine	FGFOA Beginner bootcamp; 6/8-6/9/19; Hollywood	\$ 440.00	
Monti Larsen & Kathleen Campbell	FGFOA Conference; 6/8-6/12/19; Hollywood	\$ 1,145.00	
Mina Razavi, Maxine Goldson, Ileana Blanco; Diego Alvarez; Johannie Stanley	FGFOA Conference; 6/10-6/12/19; Hollywood	\$ 1,665.00	
Andrew Leone	2019 Prevent Child Abuse Nat'l Conference; 9/16-9/18/19; Milwaukee	\$ 1,559.00	
Dion Smith and Johnsingh Jeyasingh	Ronik Radlauer; Learning to Lead	\$ 1,600.00	
<u>Trainers/Materials (Service Goal 1.1.X) (Provider names and courses may be subject to change):</u>			
Christine Johns-Harris	Read Alouds	\$ 1,500.00	
The Sibling Project	Sibshop Facilitator workshop	\$ 3,500.00	



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Amount

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Sponsorship

Art Prevails Project	Art of the City: Block Parties; 6/8/19; Ft Lauderdale	\$ 1,000.00	Arts programs to provide professional and impactful cultural and creative experiences to underserved communities.
On-Call Leadership, Inc	4th Annual YOU Matter Youth Rally; 7/20/19; YMCA LA Lee Family Ctr.	\$ 1,000.00	Empower youth to be engaged in community activism and engaging their peers to express their voices so they can be heard and make the difference communities need.
United Way of Broward County	2019 Behavioral Health conference; 5/14-5/15/19; Davie	\$ 5,000.00	Participants can discuss, learn and network about issues related to behavioral health and substance abuse prevention. From UNALLOCATED to High Traffic sponsorship-system goal 2.1.1

Broward Reads Coalition - Campaign for Grade Level Reading
Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2019
9:30 a.m.

Meeting Held at the
CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY
6600 W Commercial Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL 33319

Participants In Attendance: Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer, (Co-Chair), Sandra Bernard-Bastien, Andrew Leone Liza Khan, Monique Finlay (Children's Services Council of Broward County); Commissioner Beam Furr, (Co-Chair) & CSC Council Member, Idelma Quintana (Broward County Commission); Dr. Lori Canning, Phillip Shaver, Teri Acquavita, Neena Grosvenor (BCPS); Kimberly White (Broward County Libraries); Renee Jaffee, (Co-Chair), Pablo Calvo, Allison Metsch (Early Learning Coalition of Broward County); Katharine Ospina, Carolina Bosco (HandsOn Broward); Cresha Reid (S. FI Institute on Aging); Tia Major (City of Dania Beach/Literacy Connection); Caryl Hattan (Town of Davie); Jonathan Salas (City of Deerfield Beach); Donna Greene (City of Hollywood); Jorg Hruschka (City of Fort Lauderdale); Bob Mayersohn (City of Parkland); Joshua Garden (City of Pembroke Pines); Christine Pfeffer (City of Sunrise); Greg Warner (City of Tamarac); Cesar Garcia (City of West Park); Sherry Beckey (City of Wilton Manors); Jonathan Axier (Stranahan House Museum); Joe Cytacki (Museum of Discovery & Science); Susan Rakes (Art & Culture Center of Hollywood); Valerie Williams (City of Miramar Cultural Center); Marilyn Camerota (Memorial Healthcare); Meagan Albright (NSU Alvin Sherman Library); Julissa Torguet (Renaissance Learning); Kristen Lewis, Robin Molan (United Way of Broward County); Susan Climan (Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance); Holly Lane, Alyssa Ricke, Rasheeda West, Colleen Pollett (UF Department of Early Childhood Ed.); Kim Reckley, Kristina West (PNC Bank); Krsha Sendon (The Children's Movement); Susan Whiting (Talk Teaches Tots) David Kenton (Florida International University); Ashley Gillis (Miami Dolphins) and Barbara Lesh (Department of Health).

I. Welcome and Introductions

Commissioner Beam Furr welcomed participants and led self introductions.

II. Review of February Meeting Minutes

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Idelma Quintana, seconded by Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer and passed with no opposing votes.

III. Updates:

❖ **Early Learning Coalition (ELC) – Renee Jaffee**

Ms. Renee Jaffee introduced the new Director of Community Engagement, Pablo Calvo.

House Bill 1091 Update – Ms. Jaffee gave an update of the House Bill 1091, the new bill which states that school readiness providers who receive childcare subsidies for low income families must be assessed by July 1. The assessment includes CLASS which evaluates the interaction between teacher and child. ELC has already assessed an estimate of 200 providers and the results are looking positive, and will be available in the future.

Broward League of Cities Meeting – Ms. Jaffee spoke about her presentation at this meeting to encourage the community to support childcare providers by providing funds to childcare providers who may need professional development, training, mentoring and/or coaching.

Commissioner Furr stated the cities were provided a list of childcare providers in their community and encouraged them to consider supporting childcare providers who may not be able to continue providing service because they did not receive the required score to be a part of the system. In the future, the system will allow parents to review providers' scores. It was shared that providers whose scores are low will have an improvement plan to continue in the subsidized system, while others whose scores fall below the required range will not be able to have a contract unless the preschool's services are deemed necessary for the community. After July 1, the data will be assessed to ensure that communities do not have childcare "deserts". Dr. Lori Canning shared that the assessment focuses on the teacher-child interaction and gauging the school readiness of the children to determine progress of our early learning programs.

Allison Metsch shared that ELC is hosting a kickoff for the Kid Culture Summer Series Collaboration with various participating performing arts organizations at their next provider meeting on May 13 at JCC in Sunrise at 10AM. Commissioner Furr gave a summary of the Kid Culture initiative which allows families who receive subsidized childcare to have access to performing arts organizations at a reduced cost. ELC is working with families and a pilot set of schools to provide this opportunity starting this Summer.

❖ **Broward County Public Schools (BCPS)**

Legislative Update – Dr. Lori Canning gave an update on the Florida legislative session which is in progress. Funding is still in debate but results are looking positive for funding increase per student. Dr. Canning spoke of the key points of Governor DeSantis State of the State address which included a Workforce Campaign, school choice and offering vouchers for children to attend private schools with public funding, however there was no discussion on early childhood education. Governor DeSantis briefly addressed eliminating the FL State Standards (aka "Common Core"). There is a state review team with charter, private and public school representation.

School Attendance – Phillip Shaver reported that in 2017-18, the School board focused more on chronic absenteeism and updated attendance plans in all schools. Chronic absenteeism is when students miss 10% or more of school days because of excused or unexcused absences or suspension. Early education outcomes are correlated to attendance and studies show that of students who are chronically absent in K- Grade 1, only 17% are proficient on third grade level reading. The goal is to decrease chronic absenteeism in Broward schools each year. Report for first semester last year to first semester of this year data shows in elementary K-5, absenteeism decreased from 14.4% to 12.6%, high school 23.4% to 17.9% and middle school had about 3% decrease (absenteeism is not a major issue for this group). It was noted that for regular attenders (students who miss 0-5% of school days) focusing on elementary school students, 115 of 135 schools increased the number of students in the regular attendance category by at least 1%. The School Board will be again celebrating 5th, 8th and 12th graders who have perfect attendance on May 9th at Plantation High School. Members are encouraged to support the program which will recognize over 400 students this year. Community partners such as Museum of Discovery & Science, Florida Panthers and Miami Marlins are giving incentives to the students. Volunteers are needed to fill the event bags and sponsors are needed also. 8 students this year will be given monetary scholarship for perfect attendance from K-12. **Report is provided with these minutes.**

Caryl Hattan, Town of Davie inquired about the efforts of the Broward County Public schools addressing students who are classified as homeless. Mr. Shaver stated that he currently

works with HEART and plans will continue to collaborate in the Summer to address absenteeism.

Real Men Read – Kristen Lewis spoke about the national initiative “Real Men Read” held at four schools - Dr. MLK. Jr. Montessori, Thurgood Marshall, Larkdale and North Side Elementary schools with over 100 men participating on March 8, 2019. Former football player, Ray Shipman, author of “No Grades, No Play” was at Larkdale Elementary. Students in grades K through 5 were given a book of their choice from a wide variety. Books were purchased by CSC partnering with Scholastic. Dr. Canning shared that several schools have already taken the lead to be involved in this initiative next year.

Countdown to Kindergarten – Dr. Canning spoke about the Countdown to Kindergarten event at Parker Playhouse on March 9, 2019 with multiple providers and over 1,000 attendees. The play “Healthy Adventures of the Three Pigs” was presented and many vendors provided various interactive experiences. The Countdown will host several events to distribute multilingual books. BCPS communicated with childcare providers the steps to register to join the Countdown and share with others. Sandra thanked PNC Bank for covering cost of the venue and other expenses for this event.

Head Start Application Period – Dr. Canning announced that applications are available for the next six weeks online, families can create a pre-application and schedule an appointment. There is specific outreach to homeless families, a flier is distributed to community partners who works with these families in efforts to target this group. Applications are available at <https://www.browardschools.com/headstart-vpk>.

UF Department of Early Childhood Education – Dr. Holly Lane, Professor at UF stated she was impressed with the Broward Reads committee. Dr. Lane gave an update on the James Patterson Literacy Challenge (JPLC) in Broward County. There are two main activities in process, one is an effort to reach as many teachers as possible across the state through an online professional development system which eventually will be available to any teacher in Florida. The system is still a work in progress and some teachers have enrolled in the literacy matrix, with data being collected and it will be ready to fully launch in the Fall 2019. The other activity highlighted is providing intensive professional development with schools that have a low performance in reading. This program is currently in 2 pilot schools and will be expanding to 8 or 9 in Broward next year. In addition, JPLC is also working with Broward county staff who provide professional development to enhance work being done in the district. Efforts include working with professional development providers in ESL, Literacy, Elementary Curriculum and Special Education as well as with literacy coaches. This year, plans are in place to work with literacy coaches and Summer reading programs targeting Second Grade students to prevent failing FSA in Third Grade.

Note: A flier with more details was distributed to the committee and is included with these minutes.

❖ **Broward County**

Kid Culture 2019 – Idelma Quintana announced that there are currently 22 cultural organizations who are providing the opportunity for families to visit. Seven of these have agreed to serve children (who are pre-school) and have invested time to create materials that are specifically targeted to having these visits assist with literacy, as well as assist the parents to develop their children’s vocabulary. The participating organizations are Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum, Art and Culture Center, Hollywood, Flamingo Gardens, Florida Children’s Theatre, Museum of Discovery & Science (MODS), The Frank in Pembroke Pines and Young at Art

Museum. Broward County Cultural Division is also working with other cultural organizations who are willing to participate but have no materials. All participating organizations will be featured on the Cultural Division website.

PNC Bank, Kim Reckley spoke of celebrating the 15th anniversary of their GrowUp Great program (\$350 million initiative for families with children 0-5 years old) for at-risk families, recently focusing on community based literacy programs for children 0-3 year olds. PNC is partnering with MODS for its anniversary kickoff event on April 4 and plans to release a RFP to collaborate with a partner to provide literacy experiences for children. Ms. Reckley shared about PNC's partnership with Sesame Street which allows them to provide educational materials such as family activity guides, growth charts, lesson plans and other resources on their website www.pncgrowupgreat. All PNC branches will participate in a community book drive starting April 4 -30. Last year, PNC partnered with Florida Children's Council to create 2 of 3 literacy PSAs which are now available on multiple websites and social media.

Museum of Discovery & Science – Joe Cytacki spoke of the partnership with PNC to host Elmo event and expressed gratitude to Dr. Canning who publicized this event to BCPS. The Free event was booked within one hour of the announcement and attendance was increased to 300. Students who attend can use free transportation to attend and meet Elmo, snacks are also included.

Art & Culture Center, Hollywood – Susan Rakes gave a presentation on their Early Voices collaborative exhibition which invited early childhood schools to create and present their work in the gallery/exhibit, present to the public, learn and give voice to the importance of art, creativity, emotional and social development. 17 schools participated and students had the opportunity to create 1 or 2 art pieces which is inspired by this year's theme of kindness. Some pieces integrated math and science, also literacy was incorporated in this initiative given that all schools selected a book for the introduction of the theme. Exhibit runs from April 8-21, coincides with the Week of the Young Child designated to focus on early childhood. A reception will be held on April 11 from 4-7 pm.

Summer Programming – Broward County Library – Kimberly White made a presentation announcing this year's theme - A Universe of Stories. Partners include SOFIA, bringing foster grandparents to the libraries as extra support/reading role models and CareerSource Broward providing work for summer youth workers at the library. There are 2 ways to track reading – Game board and online feature Beanstalk Tracker app (this is used by BCPS during academic year also). The app has an online system, so families can earn incentives including books, literacy materials and tickets to cultural experiences. Through partnership with Broward Reads and Dr. Canning, a flier was created for Countdown to Kindergarten and there has been a 20% increase in participation, in this area of summer programming. In addition, BC library, in partnership with Meals on Wheels will be in 12 Summer Breakspot locations. There are many free resources to support the theme of space e.g. online product Hoopla which has child mode and be used for supplemental activity. Programming is being finalized and will be live online when completed, there will be a kickoff event, Children's Bookfest on June 1 and other events through the Summer.

Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer, CSC CEO commended the library for their Summer program and shared that CSC funded programs such as MOST are encouraged to utilize Beanstalk app to incorporate literacy. In addition, there is a literacy component at Summer BreakSpot Super sites such as Housing Authorities. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer emphasized the importance of all summer program providers collaborating with the libraries to ensure we have data from various literacy efforts and families are being reached in a coordinated way.

Commissioner Furr spoke of the school ID card being linked to library card and shared that BCPS teachers could provide their students with Summer reading list and remind them to use library card. Neena Grosvenor, BCPS spoke of the Digital Direct card which is virtual card for students to have access to BC library resources and ebooks 360 (platform for ebooks) so students don't lose the momentum in tracking reading. The Digital Direct card is being promoted through reading specialist, professional development literacy coaches and encourage the committee to spread the word. There was a discussion about providing choice/options of reading materials. Ms. Gosvenor gave an update on usage from Beanstalk app which was launched this school year in August- 356,000 books were logged by BCPS students and 6,325 eBooks in Access 360.

❖ **Children's Services Council of Broward County**

HandsOn Broward (HOB): Literacy Volunteer Recruitment – Kathy Ospina shared that her role in this program is proactively working with agencies to determine literacy needs and Carolina Bosco is doing grassroots outreach and recruiting volunteers. HOB is partnering with several agencies including YMCA, LA Lee location to have mentors in their housing authority locations, Dixie Court location near Walker Elementary to encourage students and build literacy awareness in the community and with FL Reading Corps and Black Child Development Institute Literacy to host literacy events.

HOB is developing a literacy program webpage with participating agencies and it will direct users to a page to volunteer for their literacy events. Ms. Ospina reminded the committee to contact HOB to assist them with literacy coaches or volunteers for their program.

PBIS – Liza Khan, CSC gave the update on CSC's PBIS RFP. The program provides coaching and mentoring for teachers and childcare centers addressing challenging behaviors and building teacher/child interaction. Family Central was awarded the contract effective October 1. They have been implementing this program in the community for the past 9 years. Family Central will be working directly with ELC to be linked with the childcare centers that do not score high on the CLASS assessment to provide extra support.

IV. Broward Reads in Your City Spotlight: City of Fort Lauderdale – NSU Research Study

Jorg Hruschka spoke about the NSU Research study which emphasizes that we must support Broward families by determining needs, filling gaps and working to create an environment that is conducive for the children to learn to read. There will be a Stakeholder & Community Focus group meeting held on April 16th, 2019 at 9:30AM – 12PM at JC Carter Park to discuss causes that affect early literacy in the Sistrunk area.

Other Broward Reads in Your City Updates:

Greg Warner, City of Tamarac is working to positively impact the education level in the 16 schools in their community. A stakeholder group is creating a strategic direction for the city, one effort is quarterly meetings with school principals to assist with issues as well as celebrate successes. The city works with Parks and Recreation to reach families. Efforts have begun to enhance programs by adding literacy e.g. Tiny Tots Mommy & Me/Daddy & Me program has a reading corner utilizing senior volunteers in community and will incorporate this concept in summer camp programs. The city is working to ensure that all schools are receiving resources needed. Mr. Warner spoke of the partnership with HOB to complete a renovation project with over 260 volunteers. Volunteers

completed landscaping, mural and paint projects, upgraded playground area and created a Zen garden with students. The City is also still advocating for funding to add more VPK classes needed in a community school.

Cesar Garcia, City of West Park spoke of the challenge to encourage children in their community to focus on reading, books are now available for use when families come to receive after school meals. Mr. Garcia expressed gratitude for book donation and support from BCPS through Broward Reads.

Bob Mayersohn, City of Parkland spoke of inspiring book written by Peter Reynolds, "Say Something" which was dedicated to Emma Gonzalez, activist who was brave enough to say something. Mr. Mayersohn encouraged us to spread the message to speak out, particularly at specific times of the year e.g. Women's History Month.

Tia Major, City of Dania Beach announced Literacy Connection partnering with the Parks & Recreation Department to implement a summer camp with academic component and the agency also completed a literacy library in partnership with BB&T.

V. Partner Updates: None

VI. Community Announcements: None

VII. Meeting Schedule for FY 18-19:

Next meeting for this fiscal year is Wednesday **June 5, 2019**. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday every other month at 9:30 a.m. @ the Children's Services Council of Broward unless otherwise announced.

VIII. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**Coalition for Grade Level Reading
Children's Services Council of Broward County
April 3, 2019**

Broward Schools Attendance Update:

Chronic absenteeism is when a student is absent for 10% or more possible school days. Broward Schools added a focus on chronic absenteeism in 2015 and revised attendance plans in 2017/18 to address strategies and interventions related to attendance. Early education academic outcomes are correlated to attendance. In one study, for students that were chronically absent in Kindergarten and 1st grade, only 17% achieved proficiency on their 3rd grade standardized reading tests.

Nationwide, Kindergarten and 12th grade have the highest levels of chronic absenteeism. Broward County mirrors that trend. In Broward Schools, our goal is to reduce chronic absenteeism by at least 1% each year.

How is it going right now?

In a comparison of 1st semesters for 2017/18 and 2018/19 we have the following data*:

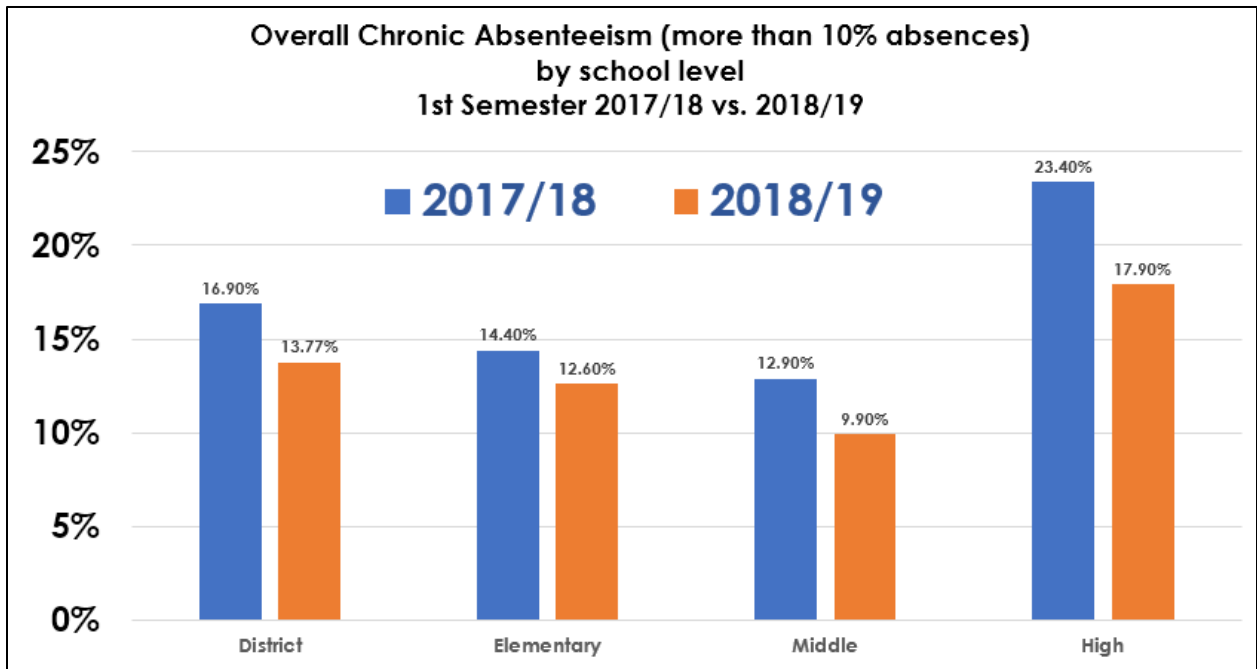
Level	% of Students Chronically Absent: 1st semester 2017/18	% of Students Chronically Absent: 1st semester 2018/19
Elementary	14.4%	12.6% (-1.8%)
Middle	12.9%	9.9% (-3.0%)
High	23.4%	17.9% (-5.5%)
District-wide	16.9%	13.8% (-3.1%)

"Regular Attenders" are students that are absent only 0-4.9% of school days. This is a number we are trying to increase while we decrease chronic absenteeism. At 135 traditional elementary schools, 115 of those schools increased the number of students by at least 1% in the Regular Attenders category.

The "Evening Among the Stars" is our perfect attendance recognition event. We recognize students that maintained perfect attendance at their school level:

- 5th graders for elementary (perfect attendance in grades K-5);
- 8th graders for middle school (perfect attendance in grades 6-8);
- and 12th graders (perfect attendance grades 9-12).

We currently looking for more sponsors to support the students and families. The program has already engaged the Museum of Discovery & Science, Florida Panthers, Miami Marlins, Rapids Water Park, Publix, and Chick-Fil-A. If your organization would like to support this event, please reach out to Phillip Shaver at Broward Schools.



*Some data may change slightly before final calculations in July 2019. Corrections may be made when parents notify schools of discrepancies throughout the year.

James Patterson Literacy Challenge

The James Patterson Literacy Challenge (JPLC) at the University of Florida aims to address persistent literacy challenges by working with schools to support their literacy culture and practices. We will work with you to design and deliver professional learning experiences that will support your schoolwide and district wide goals in order to support the students in your school.

Ultimately, we intend to build the capacity of participating schools, so their successes can be sustained. Each layer of support is uniquely crafted to increase teacher knowledge and positively impact student learning:

- Intensive professional development
- Efficient and effective use of literacy data
- Targeted support and coaching with small group reading intervention

Guided Literacy Self Study

Each school will complete a Guided Literacy Self Study to assess the school's strengths and needs. We will gather information from district stakeholders, school leaders, and teachers, to help the school reflect on how to build on successes and address areas of opportunity.

Literacy Acceleration Plan

Using data from the self-study process, we will work with the school literacy leadership team to develop a customized Literacy Acceleration Plan. The plan will be tailored to meet the needs of each particular school. Essentially, the Literacy Acceleration Plan is the road map for how the JPLC team will support and collaborate with the partner school throughout the year.

Summer Reading Academy

All JPLC schools participate in a Summer Reading Academy to develop teacher knowledge and skills in key elements of effective literacy instruction and intervention. Throughout this multi-day intensive training, we address the fundamental aspects of literacy development through the lens of the Florida Reading Initiative Conceptual Framework. Each session is organized by grade level so that teachers receive grade-specific information about each topic. This also allows teachers the opportunity to share ideas, challenges and questions with their peers from other schools.

Ongoing Support from the JPLC Team

At the end of the Summer Reading Academy, school teams collaborate with their Partnership Facilitator to create strategies for implementing the evidence-based practices they have learned. Throughout the year, the Partnership Facilitator provides direct support to teachers, including coaching, modeling, observations, feedback, and professional development tailored to individual needs. The Partnership Facilitator also serves as the school's liaison with the JPLC team. Becoming part of the James Patterson Literacy Challenge gives you access to a team of literacy experts ready to help you meet your literacy goals.

www.education.ufl.edu/patterson



**Special Needs Advisory Coalition (SNAC) Meeting
Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2019
9:30 a.m.**

**Meeting Held at the
CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY
6600 W Commercial Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL 33319**

Participants In Attendance: 2-1-1 Broward (Billie Morgan, Beverly Perez, Jessica Abou); Agency for Persons with Disabilities (Milory Senat); Arc Broward (Sandy Soriano); BCC Kids (Lori Sugar); Broward County Public Schools (Ken King, Michelle Bosanti, Stacy Wolfe); CareerSource Broward (Melanie Magill); Center for Independent Living of Broward (Brian Johnson); Children's Medical Services (Dr. Sofia Thomas); Children's Diagnostic Treatment Center (Ellie Schrot); Children's Services Administration (Leona McAndrews); Community Advocates (Larry Friedman, Robert Mayersohn); Early Learning Coalition (Debbie Kay); Epilepsy Florida (Afifa Noor); Equine-Assisted Therapies (David Plath); Evolve Learning Community (Christina Sullivan); Family Network on Disabilities Parent Education Network (Alicia Walford, Christian Giraldo); GAPS Legal (Michelle Kenny, Esq); Henderson Behavioral Health (Leot Densmore, Luciangeli Flores); JAFCO Children's Abilities Center (Melanie Wolfson); Memorial Health (Alma Ubilla, Melissa Masters); Project 10 (Lisa Friedman-Chavez); Service Source (Amilcar Urroz); South Florida Wellness Network (Lisa Math); The Journey Institute Inc (Dr. Harleen Hutchinson); UM NSU Card (Carole Zangari); United Community Options (Jill Reipsa, Carrie Bauman); Vocational Rehabilitation (Eva-Lyn Facey); YMCA South Florida (Alison Bregman-Rodriguez); Yves Joseph (Family Enrichment Center)

Guest Presenter: Sandra Williams, President of QQ Research Consultants

CSC Staff in Attendance: Marissa Aquino, Piper Weber, Sue Gallagher, Keisha Hill-Grey, Tameeka Grant, Liza Khan

I. Welcome and Self-Introductions Marissa Aquino welcomed the committee members and introductions were made, as Robin Bartleman and Sonja Clay were absent.

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes was made by Robert Mayersohn, seconded by Melanie Magill and passed unanimously.

III. Special Needs System of Care (SOC) Assessment Update:

Marissa reported out the 2005 business plan recommendations and accomplishments from the 2005 needs assessment. She then introduced Sandra Williams, President Q-Q Research Consultants to provide an update on the 2019 SOC Assessments.

Sandra Williams, thanked everyone for their participation and support for the community assessment. She presented preliminary findings from the survey and focus groups. A total of 1,469 parents/caregivers completed the survey; nine (9) focus groups were completed, and seven (7) areas were assessed. During the presentation, committee members requested additional data to be assessed and analyzed. A report will be available by the end of April.

Sue Gallagher thanked everyone for their commitment to the SNAC committees and tentatively proposed, based on the findings, recommendations to transition the committee structure to be as follow: Policy& Systems, Education, Program & Parent Support Advocacy and Information Sharing & Network. Sue shared sample goals to be further developed by SNAC members.

Marissa Aquino encouraged the SNAC committees to review the report. She announced that an email will be disseminated, through Results 4 Broward's Children, requesting member's interest in a leadership role in the new SNAC initiatives.

IV. Community Announcements

Leona McAndrews, Children's Services Administration, encouraged the committee to complete the Census 2020 questionnaire.

Afifa Noor, Epilepsy Foundation, announced April 7th is the Epilepsy Foundation Walk.

Lisa Chavez, Project 10, announced the College and Career Development 2019 Visions Conference will be held April 10-12, 2019 in St. Augustine, FL.

Billie Morgan, 211, announced that individuals can now text 2-1-1 at 898211.

Sue Gallagher, CSC, announced the Groundwater Event to address racial inequities will be on April 10, 2019 at 1pm at the African American Research Library.

Alison Bergman-Rodriguez, YMCA South Florida, announced the YMCA now has a Special Needs website for families to view. To review the site, please visit <https://ymcasouthflorida.org/program/special-needs-inclusion>.

Lisa Math, SFWN, announced a drumming circle "Beat the Drums" is planned for April 11th at 6:30pm for stress reduction.

Stacy Wolfe, BCPS, announced the transitioning team is looking into creating several new programs for students who defer the high school diploma. The team would like to focus on the largest percentage of students with a hidden disability such as Specific Learning Disabled (SLD). In addition to this initiative, approximately 100 students have entered the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Pre-Placement training through the BCPS and VR collaboration.

Jessica Abou, 211, announced the Help Me Grow pediatric healthcare luncheon will be at Joe DiMaggio on April 7th.

V. Next Meeting Date:

- a. Next SNAC meeting is set for Thursday, June 6, 2019. Meetings will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Children's Services Council of Broward unless otherwise announced.

VI. Adjourn Meeting

- a. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

TAB 22



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Broward County Board of County Commissioners
Children's Services Board
Regular Board Meeting Minutes January 18, 2019
Governmental Center Annex, Room A337
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

1. **Call to Order**

Mr. Daniel Schevis, Immediate Past Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Mr. Schevis asked the Secretary, Ms. Wallace to call roll. A quorum was established with Sandra Einhorn, Elsie Judon, Monica King, Robert Mayersohn, Daniel Schevis, Joel Smith, Lori Alhadeff, Julia Musella, Paige Patterson-Hughes and Lidia Wallace. Ms. Alhadeff, Ms. Musella and Ms. Patterson-Hughes were welcomed as new Board members, followed by self introductions. Andrea Keener participated via telephone. Members absent: Cassandra Evans, Commissioner Dale Holness, Andrew-Craig Nugent, Karen Swartzbaugh and Allicia Walford. Staff members in attendance: Darrell Cunningham, Community Partnerships Division (CPD), Karen Gordon, County Attorney's Office (CAO), Sandy Steed (CAO), Tamika McBride, Children's Services Administration (CSA), Deborah Scott (CSA), and Anna Gibbs (CSA).

Guests:

Michael Olbel, Community Based Connections and Shawn Preston, ARC Broward.

3. **Approval of the October 19, 2018 Minutes**

Mr. Mayersohn moved, and Ms. Judon seconded to approve the November 16, 2018 minutes as presented by staff. **MOTION PASSED**

4. **Chair Report**

Mr. Schevis stated that he had no Chair report. In lieu, the time was taken for an open discussion among Board members. Members commented on the additional information that has been added to the minutes and agendas. Board members suggested the development of a document to track speakers that are invited to make presentations at Board meetings. The document should include contact information for the speakers and topics that are covered. Members suggested using a "Parking Lot" method to list items that

the Board may require revisiting to close the loop. A Dashboard was also mentioned to give snapshots of service provision. The recommendations also included an agenda item to report on actions from community partners such as Board meetings.

Board members shared their excitement about the newly created CPD Directory and requested the link to the [Children's Services Board webpage](#) and [CPD Directory](#) be added to the minutes so Board members can easily share information on CPD services.

5. **Section Report**

Mr. Cunningham updated Board members on the recruitment of the Human Services Administrator position. He reported that the position should be filled within next two to four weeks. Mr. Cunningham also reviewed a new County Ordinance, Section 1.07. The ordinance requires all Board materials be sent to Board members and posted on the web page at least 48 hours prior to the meeting for transparency and notice to the public of all meetings.

6. **Committee Liaisons/Chair's Report**

- a) **Behavioral Health/SEDNET:** No Board members attended the last meeting. The next meeting is January 24, 2019 at noon.
- b) **By-Laws:** Mr. Schevis shared that the County Attorney's Office reviewed the language as a courtesy and made a few minor recommendations. He indicated that the recommendations should be reviewed by the Committee before the final version is presented to the Board. Staff will work to schedule the meeting prior to the February 15, 2019 meeting.
- c) **Funders Forum:** Ms. King gave an overview of the last meeting she attended. She stated there was a lot of discussion on the following topics: behavioral health services, funding for services, managed care services and how to broaden and expand services to assist more families in the community.
- d) **Integrated System:** No update was given.
- e) **Juvenile Justice Circuit 17:** No update was given.
- f) **Needs Assessment:** Mr. Mayersohn informed the Board that the Committee will meet on February 6, 2019 at the Broward County Traffic and Engineering Building.
- g) **SNAC:** Mr. Mayersohn shared that there was a presentation by Owen Gaither at the SNAC meeting on the goals of Jet Blue and Fizz Corporation's campaign to reach out to organizations that help families with children on the Autism Spectrum. He also stated that Primary SNAC is working on a list of questions to assist families who have children

with special needs to receive the best care possible. The questions were reviewed by parent groups who gave feedback to the committee.

TWEEN SNAC made a decision to collaborate with the Parent ESE Advisory Resource Fair, rather than organizing a separate event. BABY SNAC reported an increase in the number of clients on the waitlist. The committee is reaching out to 211 for assistance in providing resources in an effort to decrease the numbers. The Transition Committee is currently working on a transition pamphlet that will be in Spanish and Creole. The BRIDGE committee is waiting for the completion of the special needs assessment to define new goals and to identify how they can be integrated into one of the other SNAC committees.

- h) **Transitional Independent Living:** Mr. Smith updated the Board on FLITE Center’s new facility that will be located on the corner of Broward Blvd and 441. This facility will fill a gap in the community for children in foster care who have aged out of the system and are experiencing homelessness. Staff are currently working on a “life skills” course that will assist the youth in their transition to living independently.
- i) **Advocacy Committee:** Ms. Einhorn returned to the CSB this month and stated her willingness to continue as the Chair of the Advocacy Committee.

7. Public Comment

No comments from the Public.

8. Good of the Order

N/A

9. Adjournment

Ms. Wallace moved, and Ms. Alhadeff seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

MOTION PASSED

The next Children’s Services Board Meeting will be Friday, February 15, 2019.

These minutes were approved at the Children’s Services Board meeting dated February 15, 2019, as certified by:

Lidia Wallace _____
Children’s Services Board Secretary

CSC In The News

Children's Services Council of Broward County Family Fun and Resource Fair

BROWARD AWARE! PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN
PRESENTS:



FAMILY FUN & RESOURCE FAIR

April 13, 2019
DELEVOE MEMORIAL PARK
11AM-3PM

FREE & FUN FOR ALL AGES

FAMILY FITNESS, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, RAFFLES & GIVEAWAYS, FREE DENTAL SCREENINGS, WORKSHOPS & RESOURCE FAIR, WORKSHOP FOR YOUTH PARTICIPANTS, COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR ATTENDING, FREE FOOD & REFRESHMENTS, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF RODNEY BALTIMORE, OF HOT 105 FM

The Children's Services Council (CSC) of Broward County, in partnership with dozens of other organizations, presents the **Family Fun and Resource Fair on April 13, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Rev. Samuel Delevoe Memorial Park, 2520 NW 6th St. in Ft. Lauderdale.** The free event is held in recognition of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, observed each year in April to bring awareness to human trafficking, child abuse and neglect.

Attendees will enjoy free food & refreshments, raffle prizes, games, family fitness, free dental screenings, mini-workshops, **Rodney Baltimore** from **HOT 105 FM**, and resources on keeping children safe and healthy. The winner of the **2019 Alan and Marsha Levy Champion of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Award** will be also announced!

The Family Fun and Resource Fair wraps up the 2019 Annual Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children Campaign, a four-month series of free events dedicated to strengthening families and ensuring the community knows of programs and resources that can help prevent child abuse and neglect. The theme this year is "**Growing the Voice of Our Future,**" to empower youth to have a voice, participate and engage in

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activities and events impacting their lives. The Broward AWARE! campaign is dedicated to:

- Recognizing the signs of and preventing human trafficking and the commercial sexual exploitation of children
- Preventing injury and death from unsafe sleep practices, drowning, and leaving children in unattended vehicles
- Providing family strengthening resources to help keep children at home or with relative caregivers to avoid placement in the foster care system
- Providing resources to keep youth with non-violent infractions from entering and being stuck in the Juvenile Justice System
- Providing supports for youth that can help them achieve their goals through mentorship, education, job internships and training
- Engaging fathers in the lives of their children as positive role models and primary caregivers

For more information, visit www.cscbroward.org/broward-aware.

The Broward AWARE! campaign is inspired by the work of the Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida and Prevent Child Abuse/Pinwheels for Prevention Florida. Local partners include: 2-1-1 Broward, ARC Broward, Broward Regional Health Planning Council, Broward Children Center, Broward County Nancy J. Cotterman Center, Broward County Family Success Center, Broward County Parks & Recreation, Broward County Public Schools, Broward Sheriff's Office, Broward Human Trafficking Coalition, ChildNet, Children's Services Council of Broward County, Community of Promise, Chrysalis Health, Community Access Center, Department of Children and Families, Early Steps, Florida Dept. of Health in Broward County, Florida Impact, Forever Family, Ft. Lauderdale Police Dept., HandsOn Broward, HANDY, Healthy Families, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies of Broward, Hosanna 4 Youth, Jack & Jill Children's Center, Jamaica International Female Football Development Inc., KidSafe Foundation, Kids In Distress, Mt. Bethel Human Services, On Call Leadership, R & R Domestic Services, Smith Community Mental Health, Swim Central, SWIMS Foundation, YMCA of South Florida, and more.

The Children's Services Council of Broward County is an independent taxing authority which was established by a public referendum on September 5, 2000, and was reauthorized on November 4, 2014, which, through Public Act, Chapter 2000-461 of the laws of Florida, authorized the Council to levy up to 0.5 mills of property taxes. The role of the Council is to provide the leadership, advocacy and resources necessary to enhance children's lives and empower them to become responsible, productive adults through collaborative planning and funding of a continuum of quality care.

To learn more about programs and services the Children's Services Council funds, please call (954) 377-1000.

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In a joint effort to get students involved with the Children Services Council's 2019 Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children campaign: Growing the Voices of Our Future, the Westside Gazette will engage youth in a photovoice (photojournalism) project. The youth will tell their stories through the written word and through the lens of cameras they will operate as photojournalists focusing on but not limited to the Broward AWARE campaign.



Let Patrice plan your travels

By Leja Williams, 14

Hi, I'm Leja Williams and I am interviewing Patrice Peters-Vickers. She is my sister and she owns her own travel agency. I will be asking her four questions about her business.

LW– How long have you been a travel agent?

PPV- I have been a travel agent almost 2 years.

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LW-What's the best part of owning your own business?

PPV- One of the best parts of owning my own business is watching my business grow as time progresses. Also, I love the feedback from clients after they return from their vacation. Especially when families, couples, or friends get a chance to travel, vacation, and enjoy life together.

LW-What is the most challenging part of owning your own business?

PPV- The most challenging part of my business is meeting the needs of clients that are sometimes impossible, but I usually make adjustments and/or offer other options.

LW-What is some advice that you would give a young entrepreneur?

PPV- To young entrepreneurs: Work hard and stay faithful to your dreams. The more you put into your product or business, the more you will see it grow.



My Spring Break in Amsterdam

By Cosey Proctor, III- 14

My spring break began with an interesting trip to a place called Amsterdam. My family and I booked several flights, so we would eventually end up in Amsterdam. My auntie was waiting on us, so she could show us around the city. It was a beautiful place, and we stayed for seven days. While we were there, we visited the Van Gough Museum to view his art that changed the lives of millions of people. We saw his brilliant sunflower paintings, self-portraits, and his famous Potato Eaters painting.

Not long after that we visited a place called Zaanse Schans. When we visited, we saw about seven wind mills at work. My family and I went into one of the wind mills and climbed to the top to see a view over the farm it was on. Later, we went to multiple Dutch restaurants and learned about some of the laws there. This trip helped me to see the world in a different way. I realized that people can live in peace without acts of violence occurring all the time. All in all, it was an amazing trip, and I enjoyed every minute of it.



Reverend Cash encouraging, enlightening, and equipping the people of God

By Layla Davidson, 12

He serves as pastor of the children, youth, and young adults of the New Mount Olive Baptist Church. He graduated from American Baptist College, Vanderbilt University, and he is currently pursuing his doctorate from Emory University. His mission statement: "Reverend Cash is dedicated to encouraging, enlightening, and equipping the people of God in order to assist in elevating their lives to a higher spiritual dimension to better edify the Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."



A Break Before the Big Test

By Oniya Deanna Rolle, 14

Spring break was early this year. It was needed as we prepare for FSA testing.

During the break a lot of my peers traveled out of town. I explored local places within the tri county area. Have you ever eaten with plastic gloves on? If not you can try it at Crafty Crabs in Lauderhill. I enjoyed eating seafood with sauce all with a glove. I ventured to Miami to explore The Frost Museum of Science, Top Golf and Boomers. Fun and educational!

Spring break was no doubt enjoyable. I appreciated the time away from school. The older I get, I understand the real meaning of a break. As students, we need time to stop and break our daily school routine. Going back to test is huge. We need to score well for promotions, course selections and for high school seniors graduation. This test is huge! Going back this week, I hope everyone enjoyed their break and is ready to reset and do their best.



Children's Services Council Hosts Me & My Dad Challenge By Perry Busby

The Children's Services Council of Broward County held its 7th Annual Me & My Dad Challenge at Joseph C. Carter Park on Saturday, March 30. Fathers and caring guardians gathered with their children for a day of fun, food and prizes.

DJ Bulletproof of 103.5 The Beat Mix Mob was on hand to keep the party rocking while fathers and youngsters played basketball and football and walked around the park.

Headlining the activities for the event were a chef to teach parents and children how to prepare nutritional meals and snacks, a kickball tournament, CPR training and swimming pool safety classes.

The event was part of CSC's Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children campaign, an awareness campaign to ensure that Broward County families, educators, media, law enforcement and all stakeholders use and share resources that make it possible for children to safely realize their full potential, hopes and dreams.

"The Me & My Dad Challenge focuses on the importance of fathers and positive male role models in a child's development," explained Andrew Leone, Director of Communications and Community Engagement for CSC. "The goal of the challenge is to provide opportunities for fathers to engage with their children, or at least be present, no matter what the family structure situation may be. And, if not, have a present responsible role model in place."

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The afternoon was capped off with a keynote speech delivered by Judge Kenneth Gillespie of the 17th Judicial Circuit Court. Judge Gillespie, who also serves as a CSC Council Member, highlighted the importance of CSC and participating organizations and the vital role they play in providing support and preventative services to Broward County families. "It is imperative that we seek solutions which nurture families holistically and allow them to maintain some semblance of stability. Healthy families are the foundation for a healthy community," Judge Gillespie told the crowd.



Photos for the "Me & My Dad Challenge" taken by Brielle Henry, 9

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Community Care Plan Non-Profit Awards presented by Signature Grand and hosted by 2-1-1 Broward

2-1-1 Broward, whose mission is to provide 24-hour comprehensive helpline and support services to individuals and families in our community, celebrated the hard work, dedication and achievements of Broward's non-profit organizations and their leaders Feb. 22 at the 9th Annual Community Care Plan Non-Profit Awards presented by Signature Grand.

The list of finalists appears below, with the winners' names in bold:

- SunTrust Bank Non-Profit Organization of the Year - Collaboration**
Sheriff's Foundation of Broward County
South Florida Institute on Aging
Rebuilding Together Broward County
- Calvin Giordano & Associates Non-Profit Organization of the Year - Rising Star**
World AIDS Museum
South Florida Wellness Network
Parkland Buddy Sports
- Greenspoon Marder Non-Profit Organization of the Year - The Arts**
Coral Springs Museum of Art
Artists with Autism
History Fort Lauderdale
- Brown & Brown Insurance Non-Profit Organization of the Year - Innovation**
Memorial Healthcare System

- JAFCO Children's Ability Center
South Florida Community Land Trust
- Children Services Council Collective Impact for Youth Award**
Urban League of Broward County
Children's Harbor
Sheridan House
- The Sanford Institute of Philanthropy National Leadership Institute Development Executive of the Year**
Barbara Witte, Habitat of Humanity of Broward
Diana Metcalf, Junior Achievement of South Florida
John Adler, Sheridan House

- FPL Non-Profit Board Leader of the Year**
Keith Marchesani, Equine-Assisted Therapies of South Florida
Sherry Stein, Children's Harbor
Andy Cagnetta, LifeNet4Families
- WLRN Outstanding Non-Profit Leader of the Year**
Mandy Bartle, South Florida Community Land Trust
DeAnn Hazey, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Blake Silverstrom, Heart2Heart

- Memorial Healthcare System Non-Profit Organization of the Year**
Habitat for Humanity of Broward
Junior Achievement of South Florida
Firewall Centers

- Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Lifetime Achievement Award**
Winner: Marcia Barry Smith, Habitat for Humanity of Broward

- Publix Community Choice Award**
South Florida Wildlife Center

The winners and finalists in each category received a monetary grant for each of their non-profit organizations.

For more information, call 954-390-0493 or visit 211-broward.org.

By Robyn A. Friedman and Mark Gauer



Mike Wild, Chair of 2-1-1 Broward; Jessica Lerner, President & CEO of Community Care Plan; and Sheila Smith, President & CEO of 2-1-1 Broward.



Melonie Bully-Chambers, Nancy Robin, CEO and Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity of Broward; and Milin Espino, Administrative Director of Community Relations for Memorial Healthcare System.



Keith Marchesani and Juliet Roulhac, Sr., attorney at FPL.

SOCIETY SCENE



Laurie Sallarulo, Lifetime Achievement Award Winner Marcia Barry-Smith, Director of Community Outreach and Program Services for Habitat for Humanity of Broward, and Jen Klaassens.



Christine Bernard, Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer, President/CEO of the Children's Services Council of Broward County; Courtney Biscardi, Melanie Geddes, President and Chief Executive Officer of LifeNet4Families; and Kirk Brown, CEO of HANDY.



Jarett Levan, President of BBX Capital; Fran McDuffie and former Miami Dolphin OJ McDuffie.



Dana Somerstein, Partner with Greenspoon Marder; Terry Roccardi, Julia Andrews and Gabrielle Grandy-Lester.



John and Sandy Benz, owners of Carlos & Pepe's in Fort Lauderdale.



Kip Hunter, CEO of Kip Hunter Marketing; Caitlin Stella, CEO of Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital; and, seated, Dana Levan, Founder of Every Soul Has a History; and Jarett Levan, President of BBX Capital.

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A Mobile Pantry Brings Fresh Produce to Broward Schools. Now, It's Growing

By [CAITLIN SWITALSKI](#) • MARCH 17, 2019



Zeina Zein-Wolland, center, helps sisters Madison and Morgan Kelly get some apples from a Mobile School Pantry distribution day at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Montessori Academy in Lauderhill.

CAITIE SWITALSKI / WLRN

Five years ago, a mobile food pantry started delivering fresh, healthy food to parents at one elementary school in Hollywood. Then, it went to three.

Now, the nonprofit [Mobile School Pantry](#) has expanded to delivering food to seven elementary schools across Broward County. The pantry travels to schools that are located in areas that lack easy access to grocery stores - areas called food deserts.

The non-profit's founder, Zeina Zein-Wolland, talked about the program with WLRN earlier this month outside a distribution day at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Montessori Academy in Lauderhill.

WLRN: What were the needs that you were seeing that other food banks were not addressing?

Zein-Wolland: Food is like a...it's a school supply. You know, they don't eat pens, they don't need paper. They need food. Families are able to come straight to their school when they're already there. They don't have to drive that extra mile to get to a food pantry, or to get to a store. They can just come straight to

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their school where they're picking up their child, and they can also shop at the same time and take home food with them that they wouldn't have otherwise gotten.

We want to get to the areas of need that are the greatest. So we only take 90 percent or more, free/reduced breakfast and lunch schools. That way you are identifying that 90 percent need help, if not more. It's open then to the whole school, to their cafeteria workers, to the bus driver at the school.

What is a food desert? What does that look like?

When you don't have a vehicle and there is a grocery store that's four or five miles away from you - that's a [food desert](#). You don't have easy access. You actually have to get on multiple buses to get to that grocery store, and in most cases you're shopping at that Kwik Stop.

You're just not going to waste your time to go further. You might not have enough gas to get you there. You might not have enough money to buy that bus pass. You might not have that friend that's going to drive you to get food.



Before Tammy W. Kelly came to the academy to pick up her daughters, she picked out two weeks' worth of breads and produce from Mobile School Pantry. She's been coming once a month for two years, and says, without it she wouldn't be able to afford enough groceries to feed her family.

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Mobile School Pantry focuses mainly on produce. You know, that that's where the cost is. Bag of grapes, blueberries... these are the things that these families aren't able to have access to...Those apples, the

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oranges, the bananas, the grapes. Those are the things you're not going to find that a Kwik Stop. But we do dry goods as well, and staples just like any other food pantry.

Where does the food that you donate come from?

A lot of our food items come from Pompano Farm Share - they're a food bank and they're wonderful. And the [Pompano State Farmer's Market] up in Pompano. We get items from Sun City Produce when we do food recovery from them. And, you know food recovery is awesome. Let's save food that's actually out there. It could be a damaged box, it could be, you know, half the box may not look so pretty.

Students at Fort Lauderdale High School came out. And when they see a box of lemons and they're spoiled, they're kind of like, 'do these go in the garbage?' and I was telling them, you know out of this box of 100 lemons there maybe 20 to 30 bad ones, but we can save the rest of these lemons to give to people who are in need.

Once families came and shopped, and they saw that all the lemons had gone, they're like, 'wow we can't believe we were about to throw away that whole box of lemons!' We were able to rescue them, and actually people were so excited to get lemons, because they're a very expensive item.

Read More: [How Food Insecurity May Harm 5-Year-Olds](#)

What happens at an elementary school on a mobile pantry day?

Usually, you know, we're a one-day shop and set up and break down. We start putting tablecloths that look like picnic table cloths on the tables. We want to get food out with integrity and dignity.

When we first started we would start at 1:30 to 3:30 and it gives parents the opportunity before they pick up their child to shop, or to bring their child to shop with them.

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Mobile School Pantry feeds an average of 100 families at each school distribution day. In addition to watermelon and papaya, parents could pick up scotch bonnet peppers, green beans and more.
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My favorite part is seeing the kids come in and shop, and choosing their foods. They get to come into the pantry and they look up at mom and they're like, 'hey mom can I take this?' Their mother doesn't have to tell them 'no,' because they actually get to take it.

In 2017 you begin a pilot program with the [Children's Services Council of Broward County](#) and the [South Florida Hunger Coalition](#). They recently renewed their grant commitments to help expand again. What are you able to do now, that you weren't before?

Last year we were at three schools, and with the extra funding from Children's Services Council, we're going to be at seven schools this year - at five sites. So, we're doing some double schools at one site. We have never been able to add on those extra schools. I mean we've jumped from, you know, 300 families to serving 1,000 families a month.

The more Mobile School Pantry grows, it's all about awareness. If people just know what we're doing, they can come and help us with our mission of feeding our community. And I truly believe that we're going to get to every school in Broward County one day, and Miami Dade and Palm Beach. And you know, the more people who join forces with us, the more families we could feed.

Find a map of food deserts (as of 2015) the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture has identified across the country, [here](#).

Below, use the map to explore where Mobile Food Pantry currently holds food distribution days.

3rd Grade Reading Success Matters

BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA 2018 COUNCIL OF CHAMPIONS

Broward County, Florida

Three individuals were recognized for their exemplary service to Broward County as members of the Council of Champions. Recognized for their support of the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading and the effort to help students achieve reading proficiency by the end of the third grade were:

- [Cindy Arenberg Seltzer](#)
- [Lori Canning](#)
- [Beam Furr](#)

Click Champion's name above to download their profile or read on below.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer is the first and only president/CEO of the Children's Services Council (CSC) of Broward County. In that role, she has carefully guided the development of the organization, which was created by the voters of Broward County in September 2000 and reauthorized by the voters in 2014. Cindy is also the founding member of the Early Learning Coalition. She works hard to dramatically transform young lives through a focus on supporting proven programs delivered by more than 100 "provider" agencies.

One in three children in Broward, more than 150,000 of them, and their families, receive services that are funded by the CSC. From maternal health, early education and out of school time programs; kinship and relative care; foster care and adoption support; programs for children and youth with special needs; civil citation opportunities to keep youth out of the juvenile justice system; youth leadership, mentoring and life skills development programs. Cindy is the original convener of the Campaign for Grade-level Reading in Broward, now called "Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade Level Reading" and also conceived Broward Reads in Your City. She brought TutorMate to the Children's Services Council and promotes it regularly. In addition, the CSC is a community convener in the important work around achieving racial equity and supporting capacity building for child serving agencies. The CSC is the primary sponsor of Broward Reads for the Record, Back to School Extravaganza, Summer Breakspot and contributes \$30 million dollars in funding for ECE and Maximizing Out-of-School Time programs. The CSC, under her leadership, supports all these areas and more.

Cindy's work and advocacy on behalf of the children of Broward has made a real difference for all Broward residents, and especially for Broward's children.

Dr. Lori Canning is a Broward County native who started her career in early childhood education at a young age as a babysitter. This grew into becoming an active volunteer in early childhood classrooms throughout high school and college, a substitute teacher while completing her degree, and full-fledged kindergarten and first grade teacher for 13 years in Broward County Public Schools. As a teacher, Dr. Canning worked to support both the students in her class and school as a whole, becoming school advisory council chairperson, team leader, national board-certified mentor, and academics fair coordinator. She was

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awarded as school Teacher of Year in 2003. Her desire to share the love of literacy with developing teachers led her to then become a district-wide writing trainer and reading curriculum supervisor.

Dr. Canning is currently the executive director of Broward County Public Schools' Early Learning and Language Acquisition Division, overseeing Early Childhood (Head Start, Early Head Start, School Based Pre-K, Community Early Childhood Connections) and Literacy. She graduated from Nova Southeastern University with a Doctorate in Child and Youth Studies focusing on literacy development in early childhood and is a National Board-Certified Teacher in Early Childhood Education.

Dr. Canning is a leader in the "Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade-level Reading" coalition between Broward Children's Services Council, Early Learning Coalition, libraries, United Way, county government, and school system. She works to lead and support multiple early childhood literacy initiatives in Broward, including United Way's Reading Pals program, Broward Reads for the Record, book distribution and reading ambassador programs, reading mentoring programs, Barbara Bush Literacy Foundation Teen Trendsetters, Innovations for Learning TutorMate, and partnerships between early childhood community providers and the school system.

Dr. Canning has been a speaker and/or presenter at local events and national conferences, including the Council of Great City Schools, National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), International Literacy Association (ILA), National Center for Families Learning (NCFL), Broward and Miami Dade Early Childhood Conferences, Florida Association of School Administrators, National Campaign for Grade-level Reading, Broward Title One Symposium, and more. In addition to work with Broward County Public Schools and the community, she is an adjunct professor at Florida Atlantic University in the Education Practicum field.

Beam Furr is the mayor of Broward County. Elected to the Broward County Commission in 2014, he has been a tireless advocate for early childhood learning and advancing literacy. As a former teacher and librarian, Beam has been a champion for programs that promote literacy and quality education for all of Broward's children. When he first started as a city commissioner, he developed the program "Born to Read", which connects doctors to families from birth and encourages those families to start reading with their child early.

Since then, Mayor Furr has worked to turn belief into action, utilizing his role as a policymaker to make a difference in promoting literacy. Beam currently chairs the Broward County Children's Services Council, where he advocates to involve every sector of the community in support of literacy. Through the CSC, he also serves as co-chair of the "Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade-level Reading"

Under his leadership, the Broward Public Library has launched a program called "Library for Life." Any person born in Broward County can apply for the online library card, no matter where they now reside. If you were born in Broward County, you are eligible to sign up. Families may sign up their children to receive their card from the moment they are born. This gives an unprecedented global level of access to all the tools available at Broward County Libraries, including our online databases. Cognizant of how imperative it is to close the literacy gap by the third grade, Mayor Beam Furr has been an active proponent of TutorMate since 2015. Mayor Furr has actively promoted the TutorMate program to the business community throughout Broward County. His outreach raised awareness among business leaders that their employees

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could use the TutorMate technology to serve as volunteer tutors, working one-on-one with a child, without sacrificing workplace productivity.

Mayor Furr is a fierce advocate for quality in early learning and has advanced that effort through support for programs like The Business Leadership Institute for Early Learning, an initiative designed to teach financial and business mastery to early childhood education facilities. Through a series of innovative classes, the Business Leadership Institute teaches talented educators how to become skilled business owners. This means that these facilities are able to stay open and provide high-quality care to young Broward residents. Expanding the definition of redevelopment Mayor Furr spearheaded the inclusion of “Quality Child Care” as an eligible category for the Broward Redevelopment Program (BRP). Historically, cities and Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs) have focused redevelopment efforts on projects designed to improve the community’s hard infrastructure. These projects are essential, but when we look at the broader needs of communities throughout this County, we consistently see child care as a key building block in redevelopment. Through this new definition, Mayor Furr was able to help provide grant funding for “Quality Child Care” in neighborhoods that need it.

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A Force and Refuge in the War on Human Trafficking & Child Exploitation

PRESS RELEASE

March 25, 2019

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South Florida Change Agents Mobilize on the Streets of Fort Lauderdale to End the Trafficking of Homeless Youth

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL – Ark of Freedom Alliance mobilized modern-day abolitionists Saturday and Sunday, March 23rd and 24th to sleep-out on the streets of downtown Fort Lauderdale’s MASS District during its inaugural *Night on the Streets: Ending the Trafficking of Homeless Youth*, an arts & music festival, sleep-out and youth resource fair aimed at raising awareness around an evolving epidemic – the trafficking and exploitation of youth experiencing homelessness. Those who braved the elements included single mom’s and their children, a medical doctor, human trafficking survivors and C-level executives and NGO thought-leaders.



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Earl knows all too well about the vicious reality of life on the streets having survived trafficking and sexual assault himself as a young person caught up in the "life" and losing his fiancé to a violent crime in September of 2016 here in Fort Lauderdale.



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WHO IS ARK OF FREEDOM ALLIANCE?

Ark of Freedom Alliance is a 501c3 human rights organization headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, Florida that works to prevent the trafficking of marginalized children and adults, while empowering those affected by harnessing the power of collective impact.

Ark of Freedom Alliance plays a unique role in the war on human trafficking. We collaborate across the private, faith, and public sectors to address the systemic inequities that create and sustain the human trafficking epidemic, while addressing the gaps in prevention and treatment for marginalized male and LGBTQ+ victims of human trafficking and exploitation. Learn more at www.aofalliance.org.

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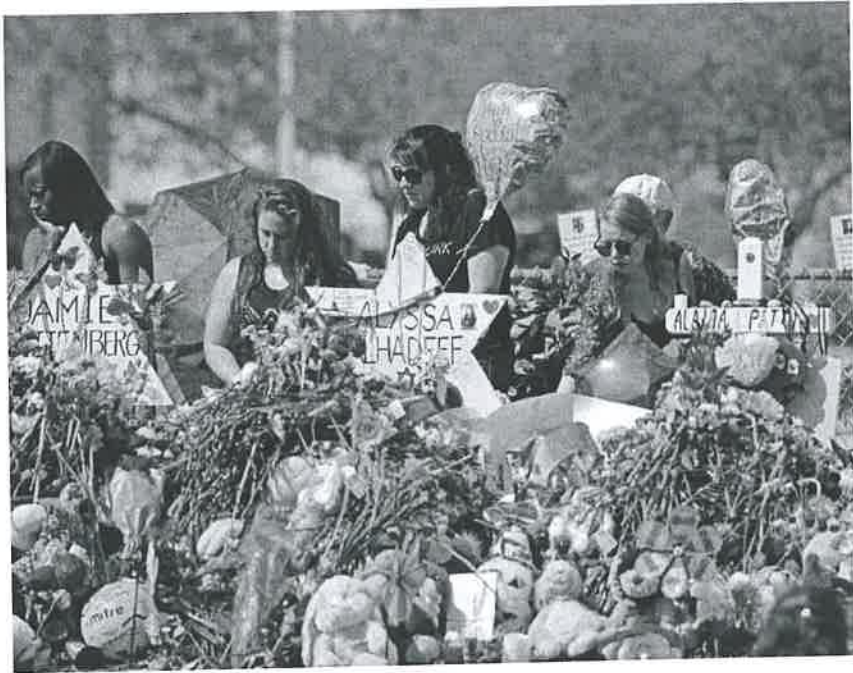
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Parkland parents, teachers discuss how to get teens to seek therapy



FILE - In this Feb. 25, 2018 file photo, mourners bring flowers as they pay tribute at a memorial for the victims of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, in Parkland, Fla. The community of Parkland, Florida, is focusing on suicide prevention programs after two survivors of the Florida high school massacre there killed themselves this month. Parkland Mayor Christine Hunschofsky said Monday, March 25, 2019, that officials are publicizing the available counseling services after a second Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School student apparently killed himself over the weekend. (David Santiago/Miami Herald via AP, File)



By KELLI KENNEDY

Associated Press

Friday, March 29, 2019

PARKLAND, Fla. — Days after the suicides of two student survivors of the Parkland school shooting, parents and teachers packed a town hall on Wednesday night, anxiously wondering out loud how to get students to seek therapy as many have been unwilling — despite a barrage of offerings since the 2018 massacre.

On Wednesday night, anxious parents in the standing-room only crowd spoke of fears and frustration in trying to get their children help after the Valentine’s Day shooting that killed 17 people.

Lissette Rozenblat recalled how her 16-year-old daughter was in the freshman building the gunman attacked.

“My daughter doesn’t want to go to therapy anymore either. I have to make the appointments ... and she’s like, ‘oh can we reschedule,’ ” Rozenblat said. “They don’t want to talk about it, but we know better. Sooner or later, it’s going to catch up to them.”

Other parents also said they are left feeling helpless because of the difficulty of forcing kids to get help they don’t want.

“My son doesn’t want to discuss it at all either,” said Joe Safonte, whose 17-year-old narrowly missed an encounter with the gunman.

His son stopped therapy after six months, saying it wasn’t helping anymore, according to Safonte. But just last week, the father noted, his son was terrified when an alarm went off in their hotel room.

“Maybe it’s time to go back,” he said.

The first Parkland suicide took place March 16. Cara Aiello told WFOR-TV her 18-year-old daughter Sydney had suffered from survivor’s guilt — her friend, Meadow Pollack, died in the attack. Coral Springs police Officer Tyler Reik confirmed on Monday that a Stoneman Douglas sophomore apparently killed himself on Saturday, but autopsy results were pending. The boy’s name was not immediately released.

A local nonprofit had planned to open a teen wellness center near Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on April 30, offering free activities such as karaoke night, yoga, kickboxing and acupuncture for students who weren’t interested in talking to a therapist.

A wellness center, Eagle’s Haven, even opened weeks ahead of schedule on Monday to address emergency needs of students and their families.

“One teen just wanted to cry yesterday and didn’t want to talk. Another teen wanted to tell his story about the actual shooting,” said Julie Gordon, a licensed therapist and program director of Jewish Adoption and Family Care Options, the nonprofit behind Eagle’s Haven.

Some students say they feel re-traumatized talking about the Parkland shooting. Some only want to talk to friends who were there and understand what it’s like. Still others perceive a stigma around seeking help.

Shortly after the shooting, leaders in the affluent community quickly came together to offer an array of services, many free, including in-home counseling, therapy dogs and trauma techniques.

“Even though so many services have been available, it’s been difficult to understand through the clutter of messaging ... there’s so many options that it’s hard to understand where to go,” said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president of the Children’s Services Council of Broward County.

She moderated the standing room only town hall on Wednesday, describing how calls to a 211 helpline had been flat after the shooting.

The number of calls went up, however, after the recent suicides.

The recent apparent suicides of the two Parkland students and Jeremy Richman, the father of a Sandy Hook victim who killed himself on Monday, made national headlines, prompting fears of suicide or contagion clusters. Richman’s daughter Avielle was one of 20 first-graders and six staff members fatally shot at the Connecticut elementary school six years ago.

The Florida House held a moment of silence for all three on Wednesday, their names read out as part of a tribute. Gov. Ron DeSantis scheduled a last minute listening session on mental health on Thursday.

Parkland leaders are working closely with those in Columbine, Colo., and Newtown, Conn., and noted a spike in Sandy Hook first responders and survivors seeking therapy and other services — some for the first time — at the five-year anniversary of the attack. Experts are working to debunk the myth that time alone will heal traumas.

“The trauma will still be there, the anxiety, the flashbacks,” Franco said. “People kind of measure those anniversaries and say, ‘OK, a year from now I’ll feel better,’ so the first anniversary comes and you’re not feeling better, so you’re feeling like it won’t go away. ... There are therapeutic approaches that can really help you heal that. You don’t have to live with that.”

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1. Jackie Pho- 64 hours
2. Artor Santana- 37 hours
3. Angie Leon- 36.25 hours
4. Tia Davis- 26.75 hours
5. Cathy Paget- 24 hours

We applaud the top 5 volunteers for the hours served during the month of February. Thank you for your continued dedication to serving our community.



Hello Kristina,

We've done some Spring cleaning! Take some time to explore our new HandsOn Broward Volunteer Newsletter. April brings us National Volunteer Week and Earth Day. There are plenty of opportunities to help in the global efforts for a cleaner earth. You can also invest some time in the lives of our youth through the HOB Literacy Program. Find out today how you can become a mentor or tutor in Broward County. Can't make it out to one of our projects this

Important Dates

National Days of Service

month? No worries, every month we have DIY activities that you can do at home or in your office.

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Earth Day- **April 22**



Broward AWARE! **Family Fun & Resource Fair**

The Family Fun and Resource Fair culminates the Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children campaign in April, which is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Dozens of organizations provide resources and fun activities for children and families, including musical entertainment, educational mini-workshops, food and refreshments.

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The April 2019 DIY is **Teacher Appreciation Baskets** to benefit the dedicated teachers at Dillard Elementary in Fort Lauderdale. Teachers are some of our greatest leaders and the HOB team would like your help to show them how much we care.

These *Teacher Appreciation Baskets* will be a nice gift to leave in the teacher's lounges for each teacher to take back to their classroom. Unlike the usual appreciation baskets, these baskets will include items to help the teachers take care of themselves so they can be their best.



For instructions [click here!](#)

Youth In Service



HandsOn Broward's Teen Service Squad offers teens from all over Broward County the opportunity to get out into their community and make a positive impact through service.

Teen Service Squad members participate in "hands-on" direct service volunteer opportunities that help them learn about themselves and social issues while meeting their school service hours requirements. Teen Service Squad provides opportunities to have new experiences, see new places, and meet new people while developing leadership skills and a better understanding of good citizenship.



HandsOn Broward's Kids Who Care, is a group of young volunteers, ages 5-12, who work together to help others in their communities and around the world.

Participation in Kids Who Care develops compassion and social responsibility in elementary and middle school children while demonstrating to each child their power to impact communities through volunteer service regardless of age.

*Volunteers must be accompanied by a parent.

HandsOn Broward's *Kids Who Care* and *Teen Service Squad* programs meet for a new project each month. For more information on these projects, please email **Dani Rosenthal**.

Join the Teen Service Squad and the Kids Who Care on Global Youth Service Day!

When? Saturday, April 13th, 2019
Where? Long Key Nature Center in Davie, FL

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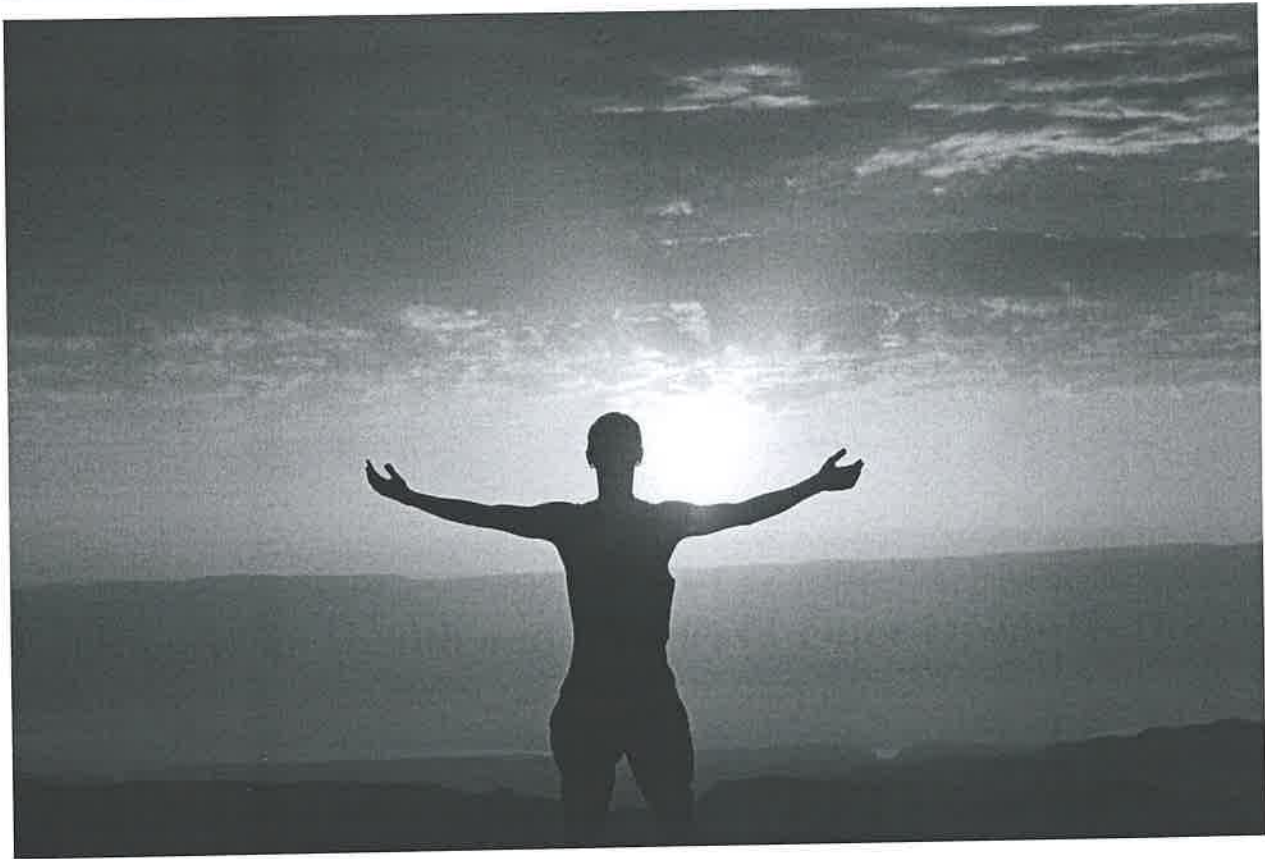
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Eagles' Haven Health and Wellness Center Opens Its Doors

March 24, 2019



By: Jen Russon

Mere feet from the city of Parkland, the Shoppes at Heron Lakes in Coral Springs is a popular spot for residents in both communities. Marjory Stoneman Douglas, with its eagle mascot, is the closest high school, so it's no surprise to see "MSD Strong" banners everywhere one looks: at the pizza and ice cream shops, L.A. Fitness and Tunies just to name a few.

On March 25, a new space is joining the shopping center: a community wellness center specifically created to serve the MSD/Eagles community, one year after the school shooting massacre, and most recently, two students who have died by suicide.

Called Eagles' Haven, it gives those with a connection to the high school, such as past, present and future alumni, families and staff, a nurturing place to seek support in the way of fun and healing wellness activities. Or, they can simply come in for a cup of coffee – everything the Haven has to offer comes free of charge.

The center is made possible by generous funding from the Children's Services Council, the United Way of Broward County and is powered by JAFCO, a local nonprofit, who has supported families in the South Florida community for the past 25 years.

"We cannot change what happened, but we can come together to begin to focus on wellness", said JAFCO Founding Executive Director, Sarah Franco.

Coral Springs Talk 3.24.19

<https://coralsspringstalk.com/eagles-haven-health-and-wellness-center-opens-its-doors-in-april-22506>

Staff at the facility are all licensed clinicians, and committed to manning the center seven days a week. The center received input from wellness centers around the country that served Sandy Hook, Pulse, Las Vegas and other communities affected by gun violence.

Eagles' Haven Director Julie Gordon, a clinician who has worked at JAFCO for the past 18 years, said the center's top priority is to help individuals and families navigate the multiple services available and find an ideal fit – albeit, support groups, yoga, kickboxing or the creative arts. These activities will be overseen and planned by Andy Seidner, owner of LiveWell1440, a workplace wellness consulting company. She said the Eagles' Haven center will connect families to any needed service; that they are encouraged to call with any problem, big or small.

In explaining the myriad of things that Eagles' Haven is, Gordon was clear on what it is not. It is not a therapy center.

“It's a place for all of us to come together to rediscover wellness and restore hope – one conversation, one cup of coffee or one hug at a time”, said Gordon, adding that no one should feel alone or suffer in silence.

Eagles' Haven navigators are already working to provide in-home appointments or phone consultations to MSD/Eagles families before the center officially opens. Because the center would like to offer food, future donations from local businesses is on the table for discussion.

For more information or to get in contact with Eagles' Haven navigators, click [here](#). For more information or to get in contact with Eagles' Haven navigators, click [here](#). Open from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

For immediate help, 24 hours a day, call the Suicide Prevention line at 1-800-273-8255.

Parents Taking Preventative Action After Second Stoneman Douglas Student Takes Own Life

By Ted Scouten March 24, 2019 at 9:43 pm

PARKLAND (CBSMiami) – Parkland Strong is taking on a new meaning as two survivors of last year’s deadly shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School have taken their own lives in just the past week.

First, it was Sydney Aiello, whose mom said she suffered from survivor’s guilt. On Saturday night, a male sophomore student at Stoneman Douglas killed himself.

“Just devastated,” said Ryan Petty, who’s daughter Alaina was murdered along with 16 others on Valentine’s day of 2018. “It hurts we’ve got kids who are still suffering.”

Parents along with community leaders met within hours of learning of the most recent suicide, coming up with a plan for parents to help their kids who may be contemplating taking their own life.

“The thing we want parents to take away from this is [to] have those conversations, don’t be afraid,” urged Petty. “Don’t think you’re going to give them any ideas.”

The group wants parents to ask their kids specific questions.

1. Have you ever wished you were dead?
 2. Have you had thoughts of killing yourself?
 3. Have you thought about how you might do it?
 4. Have you had intentions of acting of suicidal thoughts?
 5. Have you started to work out details of killing yourself?
 6. Have you done anything to prepare to end your life?
- If the answer is yes to 4, 5 or 6, get help immediately and don’t leave them alone.

	High Risk
1) Have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up?	
2) Have you actually had any thoughts about killing yourself?	
If YES to 2, answer questions 3, 4, 5 and 6 If NO to 2, go directly to question 6	
3) Have you thought about how you might do this?	
4) Have you had any intention of acting on these thoughts of killing yourself, as opposed to you have the thoughts but you definitely would not act on them?	High Risk
5) Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? Do you intend to carry out this plan?	High Risk
Always Ask Question 6	
6) Have you done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life? <small>Example: Colored pills, obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, had a partner change your name, or harm to harm yourself, etc.</small>	High Risk

Any YES indicates the need for further care. However, if the answer to 4, 5 or 6 is YES, immediately ESCORT to Emergency Personnel for care, call 1-800-273-8255, text 741741 or call 911.

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“My message, call 211 in Broward or Miami-Dade you can call 211 [as well],” Petty said. “If you’re uncomfortable calling, text 741741, text the letters FL, and you’ll be connected to a trained therapist that can help you find the resources you need.”

Along with parents, Petty hopes kids will ask their friends these questions too, and not just once.

“If you’re not comfortable with the answer you got, ask again the next day,” he suggested. “Don’t worry about asking your child over and over these questions. Things change, and their feelings about what happened on February 14th may change over time.”

The group is hoping that anyone hurting will realize that they’re not alone.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer from the Children’s Services Council promises that someone will listen.

“What I want the community to know is that we care, we’re here. There are resources available to you and you must communicate with your children and children, you gotta talk to your friends,” she said.



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Monday	12 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Tuesday	12 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Wednesday	12 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Thursday	12 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Friday	12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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To schedule an appointment, call 954-684-4265.

Help and informational links:

The Columbia Lighthouse Project: <http://cssrs.columbia.edu/the-columbia-scale-c-srs/cssrs-for-families-friends-and-neighbors/>

Florida Initiative for Suicide Prevention is Here to Help! <https://fisponline.org/>

Your first call for help: <https://211-broward.org/>

Tomorrow's Rainbow: <https://www.tomorrowrainbow.org/>

Children's Services Council: <https://www.cscbroward.org/>

Also, if you or anyone you know is in suicidal crisis or emotional distress, help is available.

SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINES

BROWARD COUNTY
2-1-1 OR 954-537-0211

MIAMI DADE COUNTY
SUICIDE PREVENTION/SAFENET
305-358-HELP (4357)

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION
1-800-273-8255
SUICIDEPREVENTIONLIFELINE.ORG

Here are some important suicide prevention hotlines:

Broward County:

2-1-1
(954) 537-0211

Miami-Dade County:

Suicide Prevention/SafeNet
(305) 358-HELP (4357)

National Suicide Prevention

1-800-273-8255
SuicidePreventionLifeline.org

There is free counseling and confidential support available 24-hours a day, 7 days a week.



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Instruction and Education Parent Guidance Sessions Support Groups for Students, Parents, Siblings, Or Volunteers Parented Family Members, Teachers Wellness And Resiliency Workshops Community and School Outreach	Wellness Experiences Pet Experiences Kickboxing @ Best Camp @ Power Yoga Cooking & Healthy Eating Tai Chi or Healthy Yoga Meditation & Mindfulness Creative Arts Chair Pilates And Family Crawling Circle & Dance Aerobic Dance or Improv & Drama
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Linking families to any needed service or traditional therapy in the community

Private Family Consultations
School Advocacy
Crisis Support
Private and Group Work too

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Here's how to get mental health support after Parkland

BY MIAMI HERALD STAFF REPORT

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Crossing guard Wendy Behrend wishes she didn't have to return to work on the one-year mark of when 17 people were killed in the school she helps guard. Seeing the media and the memorials brought back the horror of the shooting in Parkland.

BY **EMILY MICHOT**

The pain and the healing continues in Parkland a year after the mass shooting that claimed 17 lives.

If you or someone you know needs assistance, here is a list of resources from the **Children's Services Council of Broward County**:

2-1-1 Broward: 24-hour telephone counseling and links to community resources. Call 211.

Broward County Schools Crisis Support: Offers family and group therapy. at Pines Trail Park in Parkland with appointments and drop-in service.

Trauma Counseling: Free help for anxiety, depression, grief and anger at several locations in Broward. Call 9549-677-3113 opt.3

Magellan Health Crisis Hotline: 800-327-7451

Chrysalis Health (Broward Behavioral Health Coalition) Kenjenique Johnson: 954-587-1008 ext.1051 (Submit referrals to referrals@chrysalishealth.com)

Henderson Behavioral Health Adult Mobile Crisis Response Team: 954-463-0911

Youth Emergency Services: 954-677-3113 opt.3

CDC Disaster Distress Helpline: 800-985-5990, or text TalkWithUs to 66746

Professionals United for Parkland: Connects to short- or long-term mental health care at www.pu4p.org

Parkland Cares: Connection to community service providers at 954-740-MSD1 (6731).

South Florida Trauma Recovery Network: Volunteer clinicians offering therapy.

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<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/broward/article228359089.html>

Broward Parents and Community Organizations Form Action Plan to Help Students Cope with Depression and Trauma

March 25, 2019 by Guest Contributor



By: Chris Brunner

In the wake of two suicides that devastated the community this past week, parents and representatives from organizations throughout Broward County came together yesterday to discuss what they can do to help students at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School and throughout the county cope with trauma and depression.

In attendance were representatives from Children's Services Council, City of Parkland, Jewish Adoption and Family Care Options (JAFCO), Henderson Behavioral Health, Broward County Public Schools, Jewish Family Services, MSD staff, United Way, Broward County, Broward Sheriff's Office, Coral Springs Police Department and more.

A preliminary plan was created for a community-wide campaign to reach and empower parents with tools to help protect their children. The first step was to develop a common message to cut through the clutter, so parents and youth have the same understanding about warning signs and where to turn for help.

It is important for parents to talk with their children and be able to recognize signs of personal crisis that could lead to suicide. Parents need to ask the screening yes-or-no questions from The Columbia Protocol to identify if someone is in crisis, and they should not worry that asking about suicide will put the idea into their children's heads. The questions can be found online at cssrs.columbia.edu.

"Schools are closed this week for Spring break, and parents want to know where they can get help for their children during this time," said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, CEO of

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Children's Services Council, who convened the meeting at Eagles' Haven in Coral Springs. "When school is back in session, families will need tools to help their children."

"During the Spring break, I encourage you to take time to speak with your children every day. Dinners are a great time for family conversation," said Superintendent Robert Runcie. "We need to remove the stigma from talking about suicide."

- The Broward County Resiliency Center (BCRC) at Pines Trail Park Amphitheater, 10561 Trails End, Parkland, has clinicians available from noon to 7 p.m. daily until April 1. Call 954-684-4265.
- During Spring break, children can visit the Coral Springs Museum of Art, 2855 Coral Springs Drive, where fun activities will be available in a supportive environment. Call 954-340-5000.
- Eagles' Haven, at 5655 Coral Ridge Drive is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday – Friday / 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Call 954-203-4249.

If a parent is concerned that there may be a threat as severe as suicide, call 9-1-1. Additional resources are only a phone call away.

- 2-1-1 24/7 crisis hotline
 - 954-740-MSD1 (6731) 24/7 crisis hotline
 - Crisis Intervention YES team 954-677-3113, Option 3
 - Crisis Text Line: Text "FL" to 741741 for a live counselor
- The group will continue to work on the campaign and coordinate protocols for when students return to school after Spring break.

After 2nd apparent suicide of Parkland shooting survivor, one parent points to Columbine

CBS NEWS March 25, 2019, 7:37 AM

Another survivor of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Florida, has died. Police call it an "apparent suicide." It is the second suicide in about a week. On March 17, [Sydney Aiello](#), a recent graduate of Stoneman Douglas, took her own life. So far police said they've found no link of Saturday's death to Aiello, reports CBS News correspondent Manuel Bojorquez.

Last February, 17 students and staff were killed during the shooting. With survivors still living with the trauma of that day, officials and parents are now redoubling their efforts to prevent more lives from being lost.

Community leaders and residents met Sunday to confront the newest tragedy rippling across Parkland.

"You must communicate with your children, and children, you've got to talk to your friends," said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president of the Children's Services Council of Broward County.

- [The warning signs of suicide – and how to get help](#)

"We tried to get the warning out last year," said Ryan Petty, whose daughter Alaina was killed at Parkland. He was worried survivors would take their own lives – just like some of those at Columbine High School did. Thirteen people were murdered in that 1999 shooting in Colorado.

"Your biggest fear materialized when these two students took their own lives?" Bojorquez asked.

"Yeah," Petty said, adding, "We lost 17 beautiful souls on Feb. 14 and... now it's not only 18, it's 19... The way to prevent number 20 is for parents to ask the questions: have you thought about killing yourself? ... If they answer yes to those questions, they're at risk and you need to get help."

Kyra Parrow, Aiello's classmate, believes almost all Stoneman Douglas students remain emotionally and psychologically scarred.

"Looking at Sydney, a lot of us see ourselves," Parrow said, adding, "I always feel like I might be shot, because if it happened to my friends, what makes me think it won't happen to me?"

Aiello's mother, Cara, told CBS Miami station WFOR her daughter had survivor's guilt and post-traumatic stress disorder, but never asked for help. Aiello's close friend, Meadow Pollack, was killed during the shooting.

"I'd just like all these kids to know out there that there's people that care about them and love them, and they should never think that they're alone," said Andrew Pollack, Meadow's father.

This weekend marked the one-year anniversary of the March for Our Lives, a massive protest against gun violence organized by the Parkland survivors. Officials said Broward County residents who need help can call 211 and they'll be connected with a therapist.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is also open 24 hours a day for anyone needing help: 1-800-273-8255.

Editor's Note: We've updated this story to remove a reference to a statistic that we have not yet been able to independently verify.

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Recent Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School graduate commits suicide

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PARKLAND, Florida — The mother of a recent Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School graduate said her daughter committed suicide last weekend.

Sydney Aiello, 19, was close friends with Meadow Pollack, one of the 17 students killed when a [gunman opened fire inside the Parkland, Florida school](#) last year, [WFOR in Miami reported](#).

Aiello's mother [told WFOR](#) that her daughter suffered with “survivor’s guilt” and had recently been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Her mother said Aiello struggled to attend college classes since she was scared to be in a classroom. She said her daughter was sad, but never asked for help before killing herself.

Parkland survivors mark 1-year anniversary of shooting with ‘day of service and love,’ moment of silence

Ryan Petty lost his daughter, Alaina, in the shooting. He’s focused a lot of effort on suicide prevention in the wake of the tragedy — worried that traumatized teens might take their own lives.

“It breaks my heart that we’ve lost yet another student from Stoneman Douglas,” Petty [told WFOR](#). “My advice to parents is to ask questions. Don’t wait.”

“Some of the questions that need to be asked are: Do you wish you were dead and not wake up? Second question: Have you had thoughts of killing yourself?” Petty said.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President and CEO of the Children's Services Council of Broward County, told WFOR the Parkland tragedy proved that people need to work to get over the stigma associated with mental health problems and a troubling inability to ask for help when you're struggling.

Seltzer said parents should look for suicide warning signs like kids who hurt themselves or stop taking part in activities they once enjoyed.

"Parents have to be a little more aggressive when they see those signs and not just wait for the child to ask for help and maybe take them to those resources," she said.

A GoFundMe account has been set up to help Aiello's family.

If you or someone you know is struggling with thoughts of suicide, you can call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255.

Suicides In Parkland Have The Community In Crisis Mode

More than a year after the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting, two young people have killed themselves. The community is now working overtime to offer support.

By Amber Jamieson

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PARKLAND, Florida — Leading up to the one-year anniversary of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School last month on Feb. 14, Parkland was on high alert.

The Broward 2-1-1 helpline, a free hotline for people in need of mental health services, increased its staff. In January, more than 30 local private therapists undertook training in reconsolidation of traumatic memories (RTM), a treatment that has proven effective for post-traumatic stress disorder. Professionals United for Parkland, a group of mental health professionals, held a Q&A session for parents to help support their kids through the anniversary.

“Before the one-year anniversary, anybody who I could speak to — whether it was law enforcement or nonprofit organizations — I would constantly say to them, “We need to be concerned about suicide,”” said Lori Alhadeff, a member of the Broward County school board. “Because I was worried on the anniversary that somebody would hurt themselves.”

Alhadeff’s 14-year-old daughter Alyssa died in the massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, one of 17 people killed that day.

“We made it through February 14 and nothing happened. And I’ll be honest, I was, like, so relieved,” said Alhadeff, breathing an audible sigh of relief. “I’m like, *OK, we did it, we got through it.*”

But a little over a month later, Sydney Aiello, who graduated from Stoneman Douglas in 2018, died by suicide. Her mother said she was struggling with survivor’s guilt and had been diagnosed with PTSD. The day after her funeral on March 22, 16-year-old Calvin Desir, another Stoneman Douglas student, killed himself. His family has not spoken publicly and it is unclear if his death was related at all to the 2018 shooting. Experts caution against trying to find a single motivation for a person’s suicide and say the causes can often be complex. But the two suicides have shaken the Parkland community, which is now again in crisis mode.

“Statistically, we knew this was coming,” said Alhadeff. “Unfortunately, it took two deaths for people to wake up that this is real and this is happening and we need to stop this and prevent this. All hands on deck and all our resources.”

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Students have been on spring break this week, but multiple public meetings on suicide prevention have been held across the community as officials respond to the deaths. A wellness center that was due to open in April instead moved up the launch and opened its doors Monday morning. The museum has been offering free art therapy all week. Another resiliency center, a therapy center run by the school district, has also been open all week despite the vacation.

“Now we’re really starting to question: Have we done enough? Are we currently doing enough? Is my child OK? Do I need to see somebody as a parent?” said Joycy Ann Lacombe, a trauma-trained, licensed mental health counselor who treats members of the Stoneman Douglas community.

“They’re all great questions we’re asking, and my hope is that there is follow-through and we take that extra step we maybe didn’t think we needed to before,” she added.

Parkland is not the only community struggling this week with suicide after a mass shooting. On Monday, Jeremy Richman, whose 6-year-old daughter Avielle was killed in the 2012 Sandy Hook elementary school shooting, died of an apparent suicide in Connecticut.

“The traumatic events of the past week in the Newtown and Parkland communities have shown the lasting, often forgotten lifelong impact of these traumatic events on survivors — parents, grandparents, siblings, communities,” read a statement from Sandy Hook Promise, a nonprofit founded by parents of children who died in the shooting.

“We need profound change,” the group said, “in how we relate to and take care of one another, the mental wellness services we provide to survivors, victims, and impacted community members, and in the legislation that supports our schools’ ability to educate the next generation to recognize the warning signs of suicide.”

More than \$14 million of state and local funding has been allocated to mental health services in Broward County since the Parkland shooting, but the Tampa Bay Times noted that very little funding has been earmarked in the state specifically for suicide prevention.

A mental health and suicide prevention town hall meeting at Coral Springs City Hall on March 27.

Since news broke of the two suicides, calls to 211 have increased and more people are accessing mental health services and programs, said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, the CEO and president of the Children’s Services Council of Broward County, a government agency that funds children’s programs in the county.

“Finally the message is breaking through,” said Arenberg Seltzer, at a community meeting of several hundred people at Coral Springs City Hall on Wednesday night. “We’ve been funding for services all year, but [providers] have been saying, ‘We’re here, we’re ready, but we’re not getting the volume of calls we expected.’ Now they’re starting to come in.”

Parents have been encouraged to ask their children a series of questions, known as the Columbia Protocol, in order to establish if someone is at risk of suicide. The questions include whether the individual has had any thoughts of suicide or considered a plan of how they would do it.

“I don’t want everyone to panic or worry that this *is* their kid, but I also don’t want people to be complacent.”

“This is a misperception that parents think if they ask that question they are somehow endangering their child and introducing this idea,” said Raquel Farrell-Kirk, an art therapist who has run weekly sessions for Stoneman Douglas students and teachers at the Coral Springs Museum of Art since the shooting.

“If we’re going to really act on these deaths by suicide, that’s one of the most important ways we can act on it: disabusing parents of the notion that this couldn’t be your kid,” said Farrell-Kirk. “I don’t want everyone to panic or worry that this *is* their kid, but I also don’t want people to be complacent.”

Farrell-Kirk spoke to BuzzFeed News during an “Art, Play, Love” session at the museum, which has been open all week with free admission. Light poured into the soothing art-filled rooms, with tables set up with board games and crafts in the middle of the gallery. One corner had comfy chairs with guitars and a ukulele. Drying on the floor was a student-made poster painted with messages such as “Forever Jaime” and “Swim 4 Nick” in honor of the shooting victims.

On Monday night, elected officials, mental health professionals, and concerned locals gathered at Church by the Glades, a megachurch in nearby Coral Springs, to discuss suicide prevention.

One parent introduced herself as the mother of a senior who’d been in the 1200 building, where the shooting happened. She was worried about her daughter, who had moved away for college after graduating in 2018. The woman said she knew her daughter went straight from class to her dorm every day and stayed inside on weekends. She said she refuses to see a therapist. The mother said she had taken herself to a therapist on Monday to show her daughter that it was OK to seek professional help. But her daughter is hours away, nowhere near the services in Parkland, and old enough to refuse medical treatment.

Lacombe, the mental health counselor, suggested to the woman they undergo therapy as a family. Other mental health professionals at the meeting also recommended

college campus therapy services for her daughter, specifically trauma-focused and trauma-trained therapists.

The pastor of Church by the Glades, David Hughes, voiced concern about counting the recent suicides as part of the death toll from the original Parkland shooting, after several high-profile survivors and parents posted “17+2” and “19” on social media.

The community holds up the victims of the mass shooting as heroes and Hughes told the crowd he was concerned that would “unintentionally romanticize” the suicide deaths.

“While we recognize the trauma from the Parkland shooting is pervasive, and we want to be sensitive to the loved ones of the young people who took their own lives, a lonely child may want to be identified with the 17,” Hughes elaborated to BuzzFeed News. “We should be careful about associating them as the same.”

Lori Alhadeff — the mother of 14-year-old Alyssa Alhadeff, who was one of 17 people killed at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School — in her home Jan. 30.

On Wednesday morning, Arenberg Seltzer, the Children’s Services Council president, led a press conference at Eagles’ Haven. The wellness center, located in a busy strip mall in Parkland and funded by Arenberg Seltzer’s organization, opened earlier than its original April 30 launch date in response to the suicides.

Although the center is currently barebones — no signage and little furniture, but plentiful coffee, cookies, and social workers on hand — it plans to offer activities such as yoga, kickboxing, and game nights.

“We keep hearing from the teens: ‘Well, I’m not coming for therapy,’” said Julie Gordon, the Eagles’ Haven program director.

“Eagles’ Haven is not a therapy center,” reads the poster in the front window. Instead, it’s designed as a one-stop shop for healing and wellness with social workers who can connect people to mental health professionals if they require, such as booking free home visits by trauma specialists or arranging alternative therapies such as tapping (using your own fingers to tap your body as a method of coping with anxiety) or equine-assisted therapy (aka horse therapy).

“What we found is there was so much information, so many options, young people and parents didn’t know where to go,” said Arenberg Seltzer.

A sign is displayed on a window at Eagles’ Haven, a new wellness center created for the Marjory Stoneman Douglas community, on March 27.

Around 100 people came through the door of the wellness center in the first two days of opening. It’s also running programs for MSD teachers after being alerted that they were struggling with how to cope with coming back to school after news of the suicides.

During the press conference introducing Eagles’ Haven on Wednesday, Gordon, the program director, pleaded with local news media in attendance to stop filming live shots

outside Marjory Stoneman Douglas. Five parents had spoken to staff at the center about their fears of TV cameras being at their children's school when they return Monday.

"Which would make it reminiscent of February of last year, and the parents and teachers are really concerned about that," said Gordon. "There are kids that don't want to go to school because they don't want to see the cameras."

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Many students avoided school the week of the anniversary in order to limit triggers reminding them of the shooting, including the media presence. And while many in the community had been bracing for the anniversary, it also provided an opportunity for people to mourn and remember collectively.

"A few months down the road [from the anniversary] is when you really need to ask and check in," cautioned Billie Morgan, director for training and staff development at 2-1-1 Broward.

"The wagons go on down the road as time goes on, and that's when isolation can occur and the wheels fall off," she added.

Lacombe, the mental health counselor, also said that people can be most at risk of suicide just after the holiday season or an anniversary. "If someone thinks, *I'm getting through this year and I'm hoping I'm going to feel better after this year*, and that doesn't change? Suicide is a result of hopelessness," she explained.

But grief and healing aren't linear. Knowing the warning signs for suicide are important — even if they can be confusing for parents.

"Things like behavior changes or changes in eating habits, sleeping habits, trouble concentrating — I mean, this almost talks about any teenage child," said Alhadeff, standing in her kitchen, holding a brochure about signs of depression. "It's hard, for sure it's hard. But it starts the conversation."

A few months after the shooting, Alhadeff said she became concerned about one of her late daughter's friends. She reached out and learned the friend was struggling.

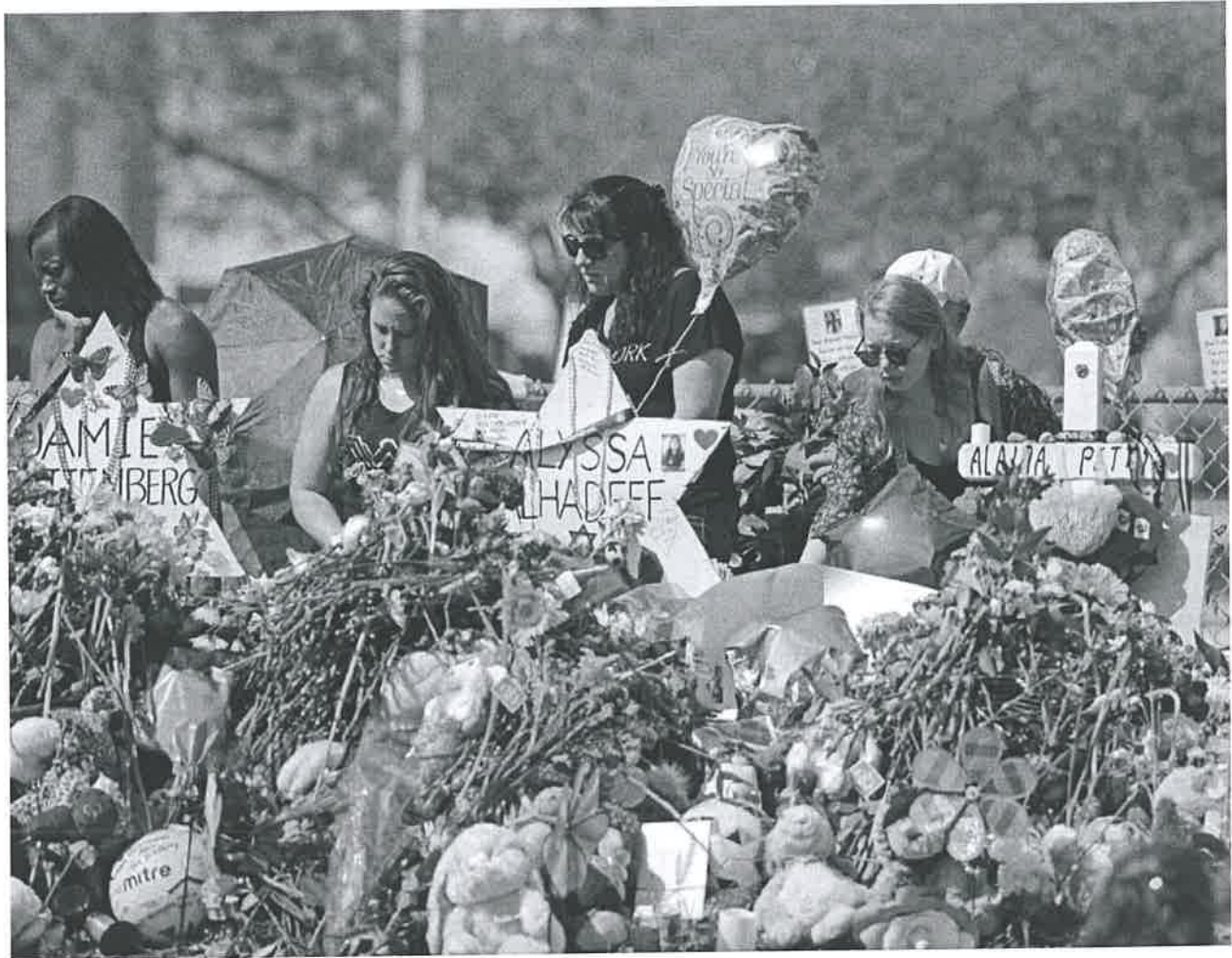
"I was able to get them mental health services and help, and the person was suicidal," said Alhadeff. "But the therapist helped them and they're OK now."

"I just had this feeling," said Alhadeff of her initial concern for the student. "I say I got the feeling from Alyssa." •

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is 1-800-273-8255. Other international suicide helplines can be found at befrienders.org. You can also text TALK to 741741 for 24/7, anonymous, free counseling from the Crisis Text Line.

Parkland parents, teachers seek to help teens after suicides

By News Talk Florida -
March 30, 2019



A tough time at Parkland AP -PHOTO

PARKLAND, Fla. (AP) — Days after the suicides of two student survivors of the Parkland school shooting, parents and teachers packed a town hall Wednesday night, anxiously wondering out loud how to get students to seek therapy as many have been unwilling — despite a barrage of offerings since the 2018 massacre.

On Wednesday night, anxious parents in the standing-room only crowd spoke of fears and frustration in trying to get their children help after the Valentine's Day massacre that February, which killed 17 people.

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Lisette Rozenblat recalled how her 16-year-old daughter was in the freshman building the gunman attacked.

"My daughter doesn't want to go to therapy anymore either. I have to make the appointments ... and she's like, 'oh can we reschedule'," Rozenblat said. "They don't want to talk about it, but we know better. Sooner or later it's going to catch up to them."

Other parents also said they are left feeling helpless because of the difficulty of forcing kids to get help they don't want.

"My son doesn't want to discuss it at all either," said Joe Safonte, whose 17-year-old narrowly missed an encounter with the gunman.

His son stopped therapy after six months, saying it wasn't helping anymore, according to Safonte. But just last week, the father noted, his son was terrified when an alarm went off in their hotel room.

"Maybe it's time to go back," he said.

The first Parkland suicide took place March 16. Cara Aiello told WFOR-TV her 18-year-old daughter Sydney had suffered from survivor's guilt — her friend, Meadow Pollack, died in the attack. Coral Springs police Officer Tyler Reik confirmed Monday that a Stoneman Douglas sophomore apparently killed himself Saturday, but autopsy results were pending. The boy's name was not immediately released.

A local nonprofit had planned to open a teen wellness center near Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on April 30, offering free activities such as karaoke night, yoga, kickboxing and acupuncture for students who weren't interested in talking to a therapist. A wellness center, Eagle's Haven, even opened weeks ahead of schedule Monday to address emergency needs of students and their families.

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“One teen just wanted to cry yesterday and didn’t want to talk. Another teen wanted to tell his story about the actual shooting,” said Julie Gordon, a licensed therapist and program director of Jewish Adoption and Family Care Options, the nonprofit behind Eagle’s Haven.

Some students say they feel re-traumatized talking about the Parkland shooting. Some only want to talk to friends who were there and understand what it’s like. Still others perceive a stigma around seeking help.

Shortly after the shooting, leaders in the affluent community quickly came together to offer an array of services, many free, including in-home counseling, therapy dogs and trauma techniques.

“Even though so many services have been available, it’s been difficult to understand through the clutter of messaging there’s so many options that it’s hard to understand where to go,” said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president of the Children’s Services Council of Broward County.

She moderated the standing room only town hall Wednesday, describing how calls to a 211 helpline had been flat after the shooting.

The number of calls went up, however, after the recent suicides.

Said Seltzer, “finally the message is breaking through.”

The recent apparent suicides of the two Parkland students and Jeremy Richman, the father of Sandy Hook victim who killed himself Monday, made national headlines, prompting fears of suicide or contagion clusters. Richman’s daughter Avielle was one of 20 first-graders and six staff members fatally shot at the Connecticut elementary school six years ago.

The Florida House held a moment of silence for all three Wednesday, their names read out as part of a tribute. Gov. Ron DeSantis scheduled a last minute listening session on mental health Thursday.

Parkland leaders are working closely with those in Columbine, Colorado, and Newtown, Connecticut, and noted a spike in Sandy Hook first responders and survivors seeking therapy and other services — some for the first time — at the five-year anniversary of the attack. Experts are working to debunk the myth that time alone will heal traumas.

“The trauma will still be there, the anxiety, the flashbacks,” Franco said. “People kind of measure those anniversaries and say, ‘OK, a year from now I’ll feel better,’ so the first anniversary comes and you’re not feeling better, so you’re feeling like it won’t go away. ... There are therapeutic approaches that can really help you heal that. You don’t have to live with that.”

Editor’s note: The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline can be reached at 800-273-8255. The Crisis Text Line provides free, 24/7 crisis support by text. Text 741741 to be connected to a trained counselor. Students from Broward County schools can text FL to 741741.

Pain from the Parkland Shooting Continues to Ripple Through Community

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Robert's Community Report | By Robert Weinroth

Parkland, Coral Springs and surrounding community residents continue to grapple with the deaths of 17 people murdered at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14, 2018. Three recent suicides (two apparent suicides by student survivors of the tragedy in Parkland and a third in Newtown Connecticut, where, Jeremy Richman, who wanted the world to stop stigmatizing mental health, and treat the brain like any other organ that can be healed, took his own life), have made it clear the pain continues to radiate for survivors.



“The first year a lot of people are numb and they’re functioning, but they haven’t quite realized the extent of the damage and the harm, which I wanted to share with everybody is so normal,” said Julie Gordon, director of Eagles’ Haven. “It would be very hard not to have experienced this and have it change you and to need help and support.”

A community wellness center called Eagles’ Haven opened up a month earlier than scheduled at 5655 Coral Ridge Dr Coral Springs FL 33076.



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Eagles’ Haven is a community wellness center solely and mindfully designed for the MSD/Eagles community – giving current, future and former students and faculty a responsive and nurturing place to call or drop in for any supportive services or wellness needs.

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<http://www.bocaratontribune.com/bocaratonnews/2019/03/pain-parkland-shooting-continues-ripple-community/>

While Eagles' Haven is not a therapy center, staff will connect people with services or just offer a comfortable, welcoming place for the community to come together.

According to Gordon, the goal of Eagles' Haven is to help the community "work together."



Nature's Plants, based in Parkland, donated plants to add comfort to the healing spaces within Eagles' Haven. According to its owner, David Katz, "Plants are a great sense of calmness, welcoming. It gives off a warm vibe."

Eagles' Haven is open from 9AM to 7PM, Monday through Friday and 10AM to 4PM on Saturdays and Sundays.

Volunteers and Providers are invited to attend an Informational Meeting on Tuesday April 9th at 6:30PM at the Parkland Recreational Enrichment Center located at 10559 Trails End, Parkland FL 33076 to learn more about this new community resource.

What you can expect from Eagles' Haven:

INFORMATION and EDUCATION

- Parent Guidance Sessions
- Support Groups for Students, Parents, Siblings, Grandparents, Extended Family and Teachers
- Wellness and Resiliency
- Workshops
- Community and School Outreach

WELLNESS EXPERIENCES

- Pet Experiences
- Kickboxing
- Boot Camp
- Power Yoga
- Cooking & Healthy Eating
- Tai Chi
- Healing Yoga
- Meditation and Mindfulness

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- Creative Arts
- Open Mic Music and Poetry
- Drumming Circles and Dance
- Aromatherapy
- Game Night
- Acupuncture
- Improv and Drama

Eagles' Haven is *not* a therapy center. It is a place for the community to come together to rediscover wellness and restore hope. Come and join the people at Eagles' Haven for a cup of coffee.

Private family consultations are now available. To attend the Informational Meeting, please contact them at 954.618.0350 or EaglesHaven@jafco.org



According to Sarah Franco, Executive Director of Jewish Adoption & Foster Care Options in Sunrise, Eagles' Haven Wellness Center is lovingly powered by JAFCO and is made possible with the generous funding of United Way of Broward County and the Children's Services Council of Broward County.



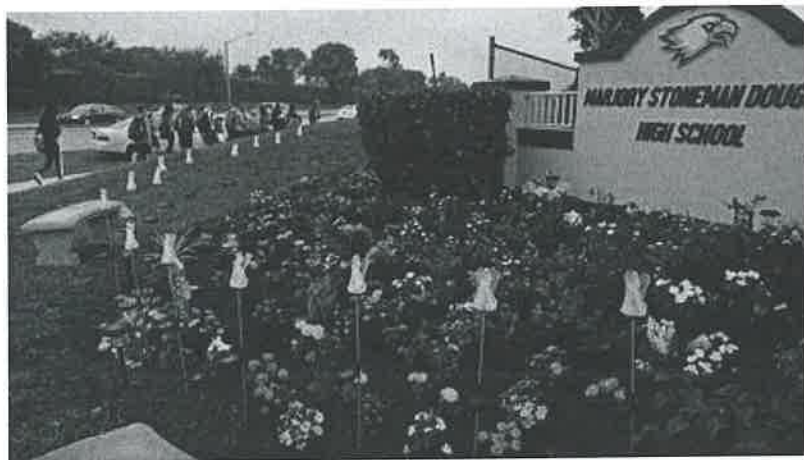
Eagles' Haven center offers free help to Stoneman Douglas community a year after Parkland shooting

Tell a teenager who survived a mass shooting to go to therapy, and they'll walk right out the door.

But give them a therapeutic place to try out kickboxing, yoga or drumming circles and maybe they'll come and stay awhile.

Enter Eagles' Haven, a special wellness center created just for the Marjory Stoneman Douglas community still recovering from the mass shooting that took 17 lives on Feb. 14 last year.

The center opened Monday, a month earlier than planned, in response to last week's apparent suicides of two teens who survived the Parkland school shooting.



Former Stoneman Douglas student Sydney Aiello, 19, was found dead on March 17. Calvin Desir, a 16-year-old sophomore at the school, died on March 23.

The one-year anniversary of the Parkland school marks the passage of time, not the easing of pain, said Sarah Franco, executive director of JAFSCO, the agency running Eagles' Haven.

The center, in a bustling Coral Springs shopping center at 5655 Coral Ridge Drive, will serve as a safe haven for former, current and future students at the Parkland school — along with teachers and parents.

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Eagles' Haven wellness center opened in Coral Springs Monday to provide a safe haven for the Marjory Stoneman Douglas community still recovering from last year's mass shooting on Feb. 14. (Mike Stocker/South Florida Sun Sentinel)

Eagles' Haven will be a one-stop shop offering fun activities and guidance to those seeking help. And it will all be free, compliments of JAFCO and the Children's Services Council of Broward County.

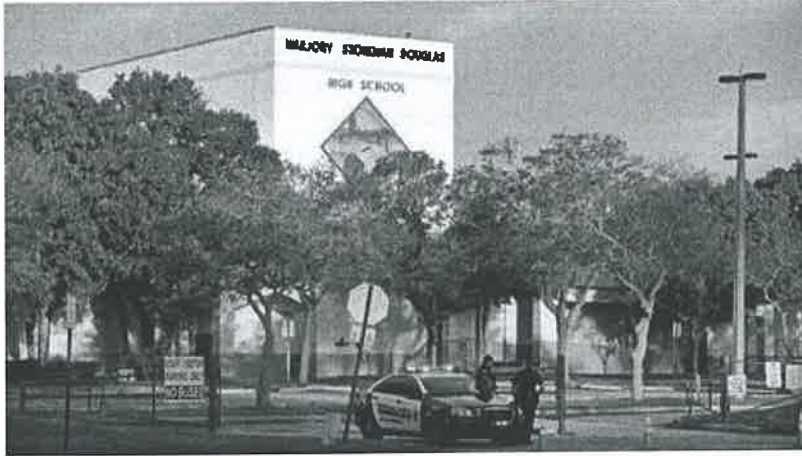
"Eagles' Haven is not a therapy center," Franco said. "It's a wellness center. It's a place you can come and connect. The main purpose is to bring people together."

Some people may want to just stop in for coffee or tea, she said. Some may want to talk — and some may want to cry. Others, if they're ready, may need help finding a counselor or therapist.

"If they want to talk about their best friend, or not at all, that's OK," said Julie Gordon, program director at Eagles' Haven. "Everyone heals in their own way. When they're willing to talk, the healing begins."

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Most experts recommend survivors of mass shooting seek therapy. But not everyone is receptive, Morgan said.

Coral Springs teen Annabel Claprod can vouch for that.

Claprod, now a junior at a private school, was in the freshman building when the shooting broke out. When it ended, 14 fellow students and three staffers were dead in the three-story building.

Claprod, 18, says she and most other teens don't want to sit in a chair across from a therapist to talk about it.



“I think [Eagles’ Haven] can really help a lot of people,” she said. “It’s not, ‘Let’s go to therapy.’ It’s ‘Let’s relax and have fun.’”

Her salvation is volunteering, helping people, trying to make the world a better place, she said.

Some teens may open up after taking a yoga class or tai chi at Eagles' Haven. That may be just what helps them tap into emotions they've buried deep, she said.

"We have a long road ahead of us," she said. "And we're off to a great start."

Eagles' Haven, scheduled to open on April 30, opened Monday in an effort to reach students in crisis who may need assistance during Spring Break.

"We had to act quickly," said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president and CEO of the Children's Services Council of Broward County. "There's a safe space for them to come. They just have to walk in the door."

Eagles' Haven will be open seven days a week. The hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends.

Talk to your kids about suicide, experts urge as they try to save lives after Parkland shooting

By Susannah Bryan South Florida Sun Sentinel



Dozens of parents pack a Town Hall meeting on suicide Wednesday night at Coral Springs City Hall. A panel of experts answered questions submitted by parents wanting to know how best to help their kids. (Susannah Bryan/South Florida Sun Sentinel)

CORAL SPRINGS — Do you want to kill yourself?

It's not an easy question.

But it's one that more parents are considering asking their troubled teens in light of the recent apparent suicides of two Parkland shooting survivors.

Nineteen-year-old Sydney Aiello, who graduated from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High after last year's Valentine's Day shooting, was found dead on March 17.

Calvin Desir, a 16-year-old sophomore, died on March 23, the day after Stoneman Douglas closed for Spring Break.

Their deaths stoked the darkest fears of parents whose children were touched by one of the nation's worst shootings in history.

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Could it happen to them?

And what could they do to stop it?

Dozens of worried parents packed a Town Hall meeting on suicide prevention Wednesday night at Coral Springs City Hall, searching for answers from a panel of mental health experts.

Since the Parkland shooting, the Children's Services Council of Broward County has been working behind the scenes to help parents and students recovering from the shooting find the help they need.

"This past week, that was put on steroids" in the wake of the second death, said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, the agency's president and CEO. "We knew your children would need a place to go this week. The school district made sure the Resiliency Center was open this week [at Pine Trails Park]. And we pushed forward the opening of Eagles' Haven [wellness center in Coral Springs]."

Every person's journey through grief is unique and individual, Patrice Rotolo, clinical director for Smith Community Mental Health, told parents.

Some kids are going to want to talk about their anxiety, fears and pain. And others are not.

When speaking to their children, she advised parents to stay calm, grounded and open to whatever comes up.

"Meet them where they are," Rotolo said. "It's important to stay connected, to stay steady. Not everyone is going to want the same kind of help."

Billie Morgan, director of the county's live 24-hour helpline Broward 211, urged parents not to be afraid to say the word suicide.

"If they say they don't want to go on anymore, ask if they've been thinking about suicide," she said. "Taking that step to ask can save a life."

She suggested parents offer to call 211 with their child to seek help.

"We're here for you," she said.

Tell your kids you know how they feel, said Jackie Rosen, a founder of Florida Initiative for Suicide Prevention whose son committed suicide 31 years ago at age 24.

"Listen to what they're saying," she said. "Have a dinner conversation. Sit in the backyard. Walk the dog with them and open the conversation in a non-frightening way."

One parent submitted a question asking how old their child should be before they bring up suicide.

“Do it as early as you can,” Rosen said, noting that suicide is the third leading cause of death for children ages 10 to 14. “We need to get rid of the stigma so people are willing to talk about it. This needs to be a family conversation.”

The experts reassured the crowd that most parents are doing the best they can. And that there’s help and resources out there if they need it.

“Parenting is not for sissies,” Seltzer said. “It’s the toughest job you can do and you didn’t go to school for it.”

The same goes for teachers, the people who are on the front lines dealing with kids in crisis.

No one knows what to expect when the Parkland students return from spring break, said Dr. Judith Aronson-Ramos, a developmental-behavioral pediatrician who has lived in Parkland for 25 years.

“There may be one kid who really wants to talk about it and 29 who don’t,” she said. “It’s going to vary by class.”

Parkland father Jon Faber, whose younger son is a sophomore at Stoneman Douglas, said he was happy to see the community come together to address a difficult topic in order to save lives.

“If I can learn one thing to save one teenager’s life, it was worth my time tonight,” he said.

Max Schachter, whose 14-year-old son Alex was killed in last year’s shooting, was also in the audience.

“After losing 17 and then another two to suicide, it’s absolutely heartbreaking,” he said. “We’re trying to educate everyone on the signs to watch out for. It’s very upsetting. We need to help our community heal.”

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Efforts Ongoing By Parkland Community To Educate Children And Keep Them Safe

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PARKLAND (CBS Miami) – Parents and members of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School community came together again to discuss ways to keep their children safe.

Behind closed doors on Tuesday, parents, teachers and students gathered in the latest of a continuing series of meetings.

“Our goal today is to continue putting together a plan to educate parents on how to help their children,” said Parkland parent Max Schachter. His son Alex died during the massacre on Valentine’s Day last year.

For students at Stoneman Douglas, there is still plenty to deal with.

Two students have died over the past couple weeks, taking their own lives, likely damaged by the shooting deaths of 17 students, faculty and staff.

Many are calling those students, Sydney Aiello and Calvin Desir, the 18th and 19th victims the Parkland massacre.

Popular school principal Ty Thompson is under investigation, no longer in charge of the school but still a presence on campus.

“The thing that was news today was the discussion of what happens when the young people come back to school on Monday,” said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer with the Children’s Services Council of Broward County.

The hope is that students and parents are aware of the help they can get if a student exhibits suicidal tendencies. That has been the goal of a number of meetings over the past week.

“I am happy to say the school district has a plan in place for the return to school,” said Arenberg Seltzer.

That plan is all about messaging the students, built around the slogan ‘Whatever You Feel, You’re Okay.’”

Students will be provided information on how to get help, like when to call 211 or text 741741, and information on how to take advantage of counseling at the Eagles Haven (see photo below).



Help and informational links:

The Columbia Lighthouse Project: <http://cssrs.columbia.edu/the-columbia-scale-c-ssrs/cssrs-for-families-friends-and-neighbors/>

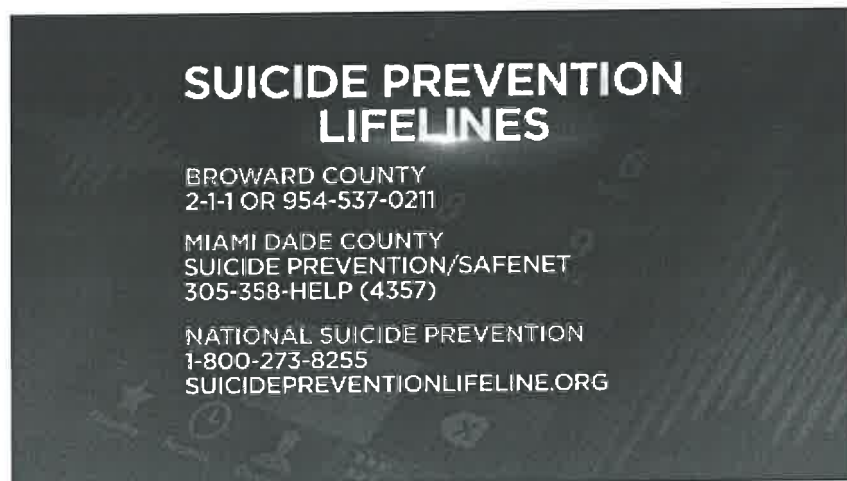
Florida Initiative for Suicide Prevention is Here to Help! <https://fisponline.org/>

Your first call for help: <https://211-broward.org/>

Tomorrow's Rainbow: <https://www.tomorrowsrainbow.org/>

Children's Services Council: <https://www.cscbroward.org/>

Also, if you or anyone you know is in suicidal crisis or emotional distress, help is available.



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<https://miami.cbslocal.com/2019/03/26/efforts-ongoing-by-parkland-community-to-educate-children-and-keep-them-safe/>

Here are some important suicide prevention hotlines:

Broward County:

2-1-1

(954) 537-0211

Miami-Dade County:

Suicide Prevention/SafeNet

(305) 358-HELP (4357)

National Suicide Prevention

1-800-273-8255

SuicidePreventionLifeline.org

There is free counseling and confidential support available 24-hours a day, 7 days a week.

Parkland Shooting Survivor Sydney Aiello Has Died By Suicide At 19

NATALIE GONTCHAROVA [MARCH 22, 2019, 3:26 PM](#)



Sydney Aiello, 19, who survived the February 2018 shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, FL, died by suicide last weekend, her mother told [CBS Miami](#). Aiello was a recent MSD graduate who was close friends with [Meadow Pollack](#), one of the students who was killed in the shooting.

"Sydney spent 19 years writing her story as a beloved daughter, sister, and friend to many," reads a [GoFundMe page](#) set up in her honor. "She lit up every room she entered. She filled her days cheerleading, doing yoga, and brightening up the days of others. Sydney aspired to work in the medical field helping others in need."

Aiello's mother, Cara Aiello, said that her daughter was on campus during the shooting but not in the freshman building, where the shooting happened. She said her daughter was recently diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and suffered from survivor's guilt. She struggled to attend classes in college

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because she was afraid of being in a classroom, and she was often sad, but her mother said she did not ask for help.

The National Center for PTSD estimates that 28% of people who have witnessed a mass shooting develop PTSD. Heather Littleton, PhD, an associate professor of psychology at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC, studied students' mental health after the 2007 Virginia Tech shooting and found that some survivors still had PTSD symptoms one year post-shooting. "It leaves them feeling lost and disconnected, so we need to make sure we have longer-term support in place for these individuals when they are ready for it," she told the American Psychological Association's *Monitor on Psychology*. Those who were the most directly exposed to a shooting are the most likely to experience PTSD, according to a study published in the *Journal of Traumatic Stress*. Prior trauma exposure also predisposes survivors to PTSD.

"When an individual believes they have done something wrong by surviving a tragic event where others have died or otherwise succumbed, survivor guilt takes hold," clinical psychologist Ellen Hendriksen, PhD, wrote in *Psychology Today*. "It can manifest across the spectrum, from bittersweet feelings to all-out despair. Most commonly, survivor guilt occurs after a large-scale catastrophe (like battlefield deaths or plane crashes), but it can also pop up in unexpected ways." She provided a variety of advice on dealing with survivor's guilt, including asking yourself who is truly responsible.

Members of the Parkland community said it is an important time to remind young people that there are resources they can use if they need help. A group called Professionals United for Parkland works to connect the community with mental-health professionals. On April 1, the Children's Services Council of Broward County and United Way of Broward County are planning to open Eagles' Haven, a wellness center for the MSD community that will offer support groups for students and families, as well as yoga, meditation, and more, described as "a place for all of us to come together to rediscover wellness and restore hope."

If you are thinking about suicide, please call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or the Suicide Crisis Line at 1-800-784-2433.



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Parkland shooting survivor, Sydney Aiello, takes her own life

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MIAMI, Florida -- The Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School community in south Florida is mourning another loss.

WFOR-TV reports, Sydney Aiello was a recent M.S.D. graduate who was at the school the day of the mass shooting when 17 people lost their lives.

Aiello's mother said her daughter took her own life last weekend. 19-year-old Sydney Aiello was a young woman who a Marjory Stoneman Douglas teacher described as a joy to have in class.

Aiello was close friends with Parkland shooting victim Meadow Pollack. Aiello's mother

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Parkland shooting survivor, Sydney Aiello, takes her own life

said Sydney felt survivor's guilt and was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder after being on campus the day of the shooting last year.

Aiello's mom said Sydney struggled to attend college classes because she was afraid of being in a classroom and was sad, but never asked for help before she killed herself.

Her mom hopes Sydney's story can help save others. "It breaks my heart that we've lost yet another student from Stoneman Douglas," said Ryan Petty. Petty's daughter, Alaina, died in the shooting. He's focused a lot of effort on suicide prevention since the Parkland tragedy, worried that traumatized students might take their own lives.

Petty says people need to ask questions to someone who might be considering suicide like: "Have you thought of killing yourself," and "have you had any intention of acting on those thoughts".

"My advice to parents is to ask questions, don't be afraid. Don't wait," Petty said.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer is President and CEO of the Children's Services Council of Broward County. She said there are lots of community resources, like the 211 hotline and a new program called Eagles' Haven, opening next month in Coral Springs.

Seltzer said the Parkland tragedy proved that we all need to work to get over the stigma associated with mental health problems and an inability to ask for help when we're struggling.

She said it's important for parents to look for suicide warning signs, like kids who hurt themselves or stop taking part in important activities. "Parents have to be a little more aggressive when they see those signs and not just wait for the child to ask for help but maybe to take them to those resources," Seltzer said.

Sydney Aiello loved yoga and her mom said she wanted to dedicate her life towards helping others.

Sydney Aiello, A Parkland School Shooting Survivor, Kills Herself

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PARKLAND, Fl. (NBC NEWS) – Sydney Aiello, a student who survived the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Florida, and graduated last year took her life over the weekend, officials said.

She was 19.

Aiello had been close friends with Meadow Pollack, one of the victims of the Feb. 14, 2018, mass shooting at the school that left 14 students and three staff members dead.

“Beautiful Sydney with such a bright future was taken from us way too soon,” Pollack’s brother, Hunter, wrote on Twitter.

Aiello died from a gunshot wound to the head, according to Heather A. Gálvez, with the Broward County Medical Examiner’s Office.

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Sydney Aiello, A Parkland School Shooting Survivor, Kills Herself

“The death of Sydney Aiello is tragic, shocking and heartbreaking, and surely at least in significant part the result of the ripple effect of the MSD shooting,” a statement from Pollack’s family said.

A GoFundMe account set up for Aiello’s family said the teenager’s passions were cheerleading, yoga “and brightening up the days of others.”

Aiello, who graduated from Stoneman Douglas in 2018, was intending to go into the medical field, the site said.

But her mother, Cara, told CBS Miami that her daughter was struggling with her college classes because classrooms now scared her.

Cara Aiello said her daughter suffered from survivor’s guilt and had recently been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Dr. Victor Schwartz, chief medical officer at The Jed Foundation, a nonprofit that focuses on monitoring teenagers’ and young adults’ emotional health and preventing suicide, said that “exposure to death around you does to some small degree raise the risk of suicide.”

“It stands to reason that there is some increased risk around the survivor guilt,” he said.

“Parkland students have done an incredible job being out there and advocating for gun safety, but the sadness and distress are still there. I’m sure many of these students are still struggling with symptoms that look like PTSD,” he said. “And how could they not be?”

He added that changes, like going off to college or getting jobs, as many Stoneman Douglas survivors are facing, can be especially challenging for young adults who have gone through trauma.

“They and their families and support systems need to be aware of potential risk times,” such as transitional periods, family illnesses and anniversaries of the tragedy, he said.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, the president and CEO of the Children’s Services Council of Broward County, told NBC News that “a great deal of trauma services have been made available” to Stoneman Douglas survivors.

Seltzer said the variety of resources, through both the school district and outside agencies, have in some cases made it difficult for victims to know exactly where to turn to, but information can be found through Broward 211.

Sydney Aiello, A Parkland School Shooting Survivor, Kills Herself

In an effort to further help the community after the shooting, Seltzer said, the Children Services Council also recently opened Eagle's Haven, a wellness center geared specifically toward Stoneman Douglas students, faculty and parents.

Schwartz said that those close to people who have experienced trauma should keep an eye out for sleep and concentration issues, erratic moods, increased despair, compulsive habits and substance use.

Loved ones should monitor victims and encourage them to seek help but be careful not to treat them like “walking time bombs,” he said.

“You want to be a little bit more vigilant about what they’re feeling and what their moods are and how they’re functioning,” Schwartz advised. “That just makes sense.”

If you or someone you know is in crisis, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-8255, text TALK to 741741 or visit SpeakingOfSuicide.com/resources for additional resources.

Second Parkland survivor dies in apparent suicide

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The Parkland community is appealing to parents of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School students to address the threat of suicide after last year's deadly shooting.

Seventeen people — 14 students and three staff members — were killed when a gunman opened fire at the Florida high school on February 14, 2018. The shooter, who confessed, has been indicted on 17 counts of murder.

A week ago, former MSD student Sydney Aiello, who survived the 2018 massacre, [died by suicide](#).

Her mother [told CNN affiliate WFOR](#) Aiello had suffered from survivor's guilt and been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Then on Saturday, [a second student died](#) in what police are calling “an apparent suicide.”

The student, who was enrolled at MSD at the time of death, has not been publicly identified. It's unclear under what circumstances the student died, or what connection, if any, they had to the shooting.

Parents: ‘We have to take this seriously’

“Unfortunately, what we've learned is that the survivors of a traumatic event like a school shooting carry with them a lot of guilt, anxiety, pressures, depression even,” Ryan Petty, whose daughter Alaina Petty was killed in last year's shooting, told CNN.

Petty, who has another child who survived the attack, established the WalkUp Foundation after the shooting with a focus on preventing suicide.

“We just have to assume as a parent that your child is not immune for that. Your child is at risk and you need to take that seriously,” he said.

Petty said that the school district, community leaders, law enforcement and concerned parents came together at a meeting Sunday to discuss how to address the trauma survivors are facing.

“Even if everything appears to be okay, you need to take that seriously. You need to ask them the questions. Have you thought about killing yourself? Have you thought about ways you might do that?”

Petty said students had been offered a number of resources after the shooting, including counseling options, but said sometimes there are stigmas associated with getting help or that students just pretended that they were OK.

“So unfortunately, some students are not availing themselves of those opportunities and some parents are not understanding that the risks of anxiety and depression in a post-traumatic environment like a school shooting. So our message is parents we have to take this seriously, we have to take this into our own hands,” he said.

” ... Regardless of your proximity to the building and whether or not you saw the horrific events of that day that took 17 lives and injured 17 others, you’re part of a school community and that community is suffering.”

The power of peer-to-peer communication

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, the president of Children's Services Council of Broward County, also attended Sunday's meeting.

"One of the things that I have heard parents and children say is that nobody cares, and they just want us to get on with our lives. And I really want them to know that that's not true. I just left a room full of 60 people who came on a moment's notice on a Sunday afternoon to show how much they care," she told CNN.

Arenberg Seltzer said a lot of work had been done in the community around suicide prevention but that the number of different resources and messages were probably confusing to parents.

She said that peer-to-peer communication could be a powerful tool as teenagers might not turn to their parents as a first resource.

"We want to harness the power of the young people to speak to each other so if we can give the simple message to the teenager who can then Instagram and whatever other — Snapchat — method they have for reaching out to each other and create the support groups and ask the questions and send them to the right place. That's going to yield huge benefits and so that's the next step."

MSD students use their experience to help other communities

In an example of such networking, MSD students have themselves been reaching out beyond their own community to help other people experiencing trauma.

On Wednesday, survivors began a letter writing campaign to help heal families and communities affected by the March 15 shootings at two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand.

The Parkland students grew connected to the Christchurch community when they visited New Zealand last July on a learning and healing trip.

“We got letters after our tragedy, that was something that really surprised us,” said [Kai Koerber](#), a Stoneman Douglas senior, who was part of last year’s visit. “It’s something that really warmed the hearts of people in my community. I think it will warm the hearts of people in Christchurch as well.”

If you or someone you know might be at risk of suicide, here’s how to get help: In the US, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255. The [International Association for Suicide Prevention](#) and [Befrienders Worldwide](#) also can provide contact information for crisis centers around the world.

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MSD community holds emergency meeting after 2 teens' reported suicide

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CORAL SPRINGS, FLA. (WSVN) - Community leaders and mental health professionals held an emergency meeting in Coral Springs after two survivors of the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School died in apparent suicides within a week.

The gathering, which took place in Coral Springs and wrapped up just before 6 p.m. on Sunday, focused on awareness over lingering trauma more than a year after the Feb. 14, 2018 massacre.

The meeting comes after 19-year-old Sydney Aiello took her own life after a battle with survivor's guilt, her family said.

Days later, a second MSD survivor died in an apparent suicide, police and school officials said.

"This is a real risk," said Ryan Petty, whose daughter Alaina died in the shooting.

Aiello was a close friend of Meadow Pollack, who was killed in the mass shooting.

Sunday's meeting gave parents, students and other residents, who once again find themselves at a crossroads between agony and a call to action, to learn more about resources at their disposal.

"Coming together and offering a simple message to children and parents that there is help available," said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president and CEO of the Children's Services Council of Broward County.

Parents at the event said they were devastated over the latest turn of events and are concerned for their own children.

"Everybody was anxious, 'What do we do? What do we say?'" said Petty. "It took a bit to bring everybody together."

While the recent deaths are devastating, health professionals said this outcome is not all that surprising.

Dr. Dara Bushman, a clinical psychologist who has worked with MSD survivors and their symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder, said trauma doesn't just go away with time.

"That's the difficult part with trauma, is that how one child internalizes it or experiences it is going to be completely different for somebody else," she said. "This is everybody's biggest nightmare, and here we are, people still reliving the trauma day after day, over and over."

Since the shooting, Petty has led awareness campaigns to help provide mental health services and aid to those who need it.

"We have to help others," he said.

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Those attending the meeting put together an action plan that included talking to children and making them aware that services and help are available.

“This is a risk that this community is facing. We need people to take it seriously,” said Petty, “and then we want to give them very specific actions that they could take and understand where to get help and make that as simple as possible.”

Sunday’s emergency brainstorming session aimed to help a community still coping with a seismic wave of sorrow and grief.

“We need it to stop. Seventeen is too many; 19 is too many,” said Petty.

The group has adopted what’s known in professional circles as the Columbia Protocol, a framework of how to talk to a loved one in crisis.

“It’s on all of us as a community — as parents, as teachers, as counselors — to ask those questions and to get them the help they need,” said Petty.

Bushman said warning signs of someone who is struggling may not be apparent all at once.

“You want to notice if they’re withdrawing, if they’re being isolated, if they’re not keeping the same patterns with their sleeping, their eating,” she said, “and if they just don’t seem like they’re enjoying things. So many times parents will say to me, ‘I’m scared to ask them’ or ‘I don’t know what to ask them.’ Just say something, be direct.”

If there’s just one takeaway for parents concerned about their child, Petty said, it’s to keep communicating with them because it could save a life.

“Our message is to encourage parents to sit down with their kids and ask them these questions and understand whether or not they’re at risk,” he said, “because what we learned, unfortunately, this week is that kids who may appear to be OK and not having issues are actually suffering in silence.”

Broward residents may dial 211 to reach the Crisis Suicide Intervention hotline. It’s available 24 hours a day and is completely confidential.

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CSC Correspondence

From: Kathy McDonald
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 4:05 PM
To: Carl Dasse
Cc: Sue Gallagher; 'Ralph A. Aiello III'; Laurie Meggesin; 'Carol M. Lopez Rios'
Subject: RE: B2L FCAN Seed Grant Final Report

Hi Carl,

While I haven't had a chance to read through everything yet, I just wanted to pause and thank you for the examples you shared, your process, etc. Normally we don't require this much reporting, but with several new LCANs forming some of this would be quite helpful in guiding their next steps.

I won't share receipts, students' names or anything confidential, but if you are willing, I'd love to be able to share with some of the new folks the steps you went there at the operational level that can guide their planning process forward. Your steering committee responsibilities and commitments is a good example of the non-sexy but vital planning work.

This is truly a great example of the early stages of collective impact formation, which can often be tedious and slow, but lays such a solid foundation for where you go from here.

Great job team! You are in a good place to grow from here!

Warmly,
Kathy McDonald
Assistant Director for Network Partnerships
C: 813-494-****



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From: Roxanne Smith
Sent: Thursday, April 4, 2019 7:18 AM
To: Kristen Goss
Cc: Keisha Grey, Ed.D
Subject: RE: The Girls Report - Follow-Up

Hello Kristin,
Thank you for your positive feedback regarding the event, the girls and CSC. We also appreciate you supporting the Groundwater event and look forward to seeing you on April 10th

The best way to stay informed about the Girls Coordinating Council meetings, events and outcomes is to join the committee. Here is the link to do so.
<https://cscbroward.org/committee/girls-coordinating-council>. After clicking the link, select Member's Area. From there you can register.

Kind Regards,
Roxanne

From: Kristen Goss
Sent: Wednesday, April 3, 2019 6:43 PM
To: Roxanne Smith
Subject: RE: The Girls Report - Follow-Up

Good evening Ms. Smith,

Thank you so much for the invitation. I truly enjoyed the event Monday. CSC is phenomenal! The girls are amazing as well. I am excited to see what 2019 has to offer our community.

Unfortunately, I won't be able to attend the next meeting. However, I have the Groundwater event on my schedule and will be registering for that today.

Would you please keep me posted on future meetings?

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Kristen Goss, Esq.
KWG Family Legal and Mediation Services, LLC
6750 N. Andrews Avenue
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Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309

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Roxanne Smith

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From: Adena Wilson
Sent: Monday, April 1, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Roxanne Smith
Subject: RE: The Girls Report - April 1st Reminder and Request

WOW! What an exceptionally wonderful event this morning! I met representatives from some outstanding organizations, and then heard inspiring tales from young women who have overcome/are overcoming immense challenges. To put a cherry on that delicious cupcake, I learned about GCC, Pace, Girls Court and so many other great initiatives that I didn't realize were available (probably since I've only been in the Fort Lauderdale less than a year).

Thank you SO much Roxanne and CSC! Keep doing what you are doing 😊

It was definitely time well spent!

- Adena

Adena R. Wilson

*Volunteer Recruiter
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From: Keisha Grey, Ed.D
Sent: Monday, April 1, 2019 12:08 PM
To: Keisha Grey, Ed.D
Subject: CSC Broward: New Member Registration

The following person has just joined your site. Your site is currently set up to let anyone automatically join and then send all administrators this E-mail

Your new member is Emily Janas (*****@womenindistress.org)

Hello there, I just got back to my office after attending the Girls Report Launch at ArtServe and am interested in attending the next council meeting to learn more. It was inspiring to hear not just from so many community stake-holders already involved in the work the council is doing, but especially from the girls who shared their stories and illuminated how imperative this work is. After hearing about the applicable and story-driven research and initiatives you all have already put together and supported, I want to see what I can add with my voice and perspective to the group. I would love to attend the next meeting to experience the council's work from another perspective and learn more about joining. Thanks so much! Best, Emily Janas Training Specialist at Women In Distress of Broward County Board Vice President at the Girl Choir of South Florida

This person has requested to join the following communities:

- Girls Coordinating Council

If you want to let members join without receiving this sort of E-mail or if you want to require an approval before someone can become a member of your reunion you can do so by going to your site, logging in, and using the "Site Setup" function to make another choice. Please read the important note about this function before making a new choice for your site.

Even though you have already let this person join your site you can always delete them from active membership by going to your site, logging in, and using the "Member Control" function.

Thank you
Customer Service

Dear Cindy,

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for volunteering your time to serve as a moderator during the City of Coral Springs Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Town Hall on Wednesday, March 27.

As you know, two teens died as the result of an apparent suicide in the span of one week, and both were students at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School during the tragedy on February 14, 2018. These two tragedies required us, as a City, to work quickly to provide concerned families with information and resources about the important topic of mental health. You stepped into that role without hesitation, and on behalf of the City of Coral Springs and its residents, I am truly grateful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael W. Goodrum", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael W. Goodrum, City Manager

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March 29, 2019

Sandra Bernard-Bastien
Chief Communications Officer
Children's Services Council of Broward
6600 W. Commercial Blvd
Lauderhill, FL 33319

Dear Ms. Bernard-Bastien,

The Florida Department of Health in Broward County hosted the **Third Annual Youth Mental Health Symposium** on March 22, 2019 at the Sunrise Grand Ballroom in Sunrise Florida. The free training event took place on a Broward County Public School Teacher Planning Day with free Continuing Education provided to Social Workers, Nurses, and Certified Nursing Assistants. The target audience included: Nurses, Health Support Technicians, Social Workers, School Personnel, Students, Parents, Mental Health Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Psychologists, Behavioral Health Professionals, Community Health Professionals, Law Enforcement, and Faith-based Organizations.

The symposium included the return of Keynote Speaker Erahm Christopher, filmmaker, speaker & author, who presented *Changing How We Listen: The Impact of Listen Initiatives in School Districts in Florida*. There second presentation lead by Tiffany Richards, Safe & Healthy Schools Coordinator from Equality Florida, addressing the topic: "Safe and Healthy Schools and You: Challenges and Best Practices to Support LGBTQ & T Students". The afternoon session included the presentation of the film *Race to Nowhere* followed by a group discussion lead by Dr. David Rube, Medical Director, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital and Dr. Charlene Grecsek, SEDNET Project Coordinator, Broward County Public Schools.

DOH-Broward is proud to collaborate with the Children's Services Council of Broward County. We greatly appreciate your sponsorship of this event which helped make it a success. We look forward to our continuing partnership and work towards making Florida the Healthiest State in the Nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maureen O'Keeffe".

Maureen O'Keeffe
School Health Program Manager

Cc: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President & CEO
Keisha Grey, Strategy Manager



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March 27, 2019

Mrs. Silvia Quintana, CEO
Broward Behavioral Health Coalition
3521 W. Broward Blvd., Suite 206
Lauderhill, FL. 33312

Subject: In-Kind Match Commitment

Dear Mrs. Quintana,

The Children's Services Council (CSC) of Broward County is committed to the expansion of One Community Partnership 3 (OCP3). CSC has a longstanding partnership with Broward County Human Services Department, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC), Broward County Schools, and ChildNet to improve mental health outcomes of youth, ages 12 to 21 years' old. As a dedicated funding source for children and families, we support programs serving youth with serious mental illness and those with early signs and symptoms of serious mental health illness and their families to help them transition successfully to adulthood. In this capacity, we will commit the following programs and services as In-kind match to your application for the SAMHSA Expansion grant for FY 19/20 and will continue to support this initiative through August 30, 2023.

Category	Agency	Program Description	Methodology	Amount
Direct Services	Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services	Transition to Independence Process (TIP) model utilized to provide Life Coaching to youth with serious mental illness and those with early signs and symptoms of serious mental health illness who are transitioning out of the child welfare system.	100% of youth meet OCP3 target population	\$259,000
Direct Services	Henderson Behavioral Health	Transition to Independence Process (TIP) model utilized to provide Life Coaching and supported housing services to youth with severe behavioral health conditions who are transitioning out of the child welfare system.	100% of youth meet OCP3 target population	\$75,000
Total In-Kind				\$334,000

We hope you, and our community, are successful with this critical OCP3 initiative. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to continued collaboration on this and many other projects.

Sincerely,

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer
President / CEO



April 1, 2019

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Sunshine Health
Child Welfare Specialty Plan
Reinvestment Fund

RE: Letter of Support for the Kinship Project at Legal Aid Services of Broward County, Inc.

Dear Grant Reviewer:

The Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) is pleased to fully support Legal Aid Service of Broward County (LAS) in its application to expand its Kinship Project services. CSC is an independent taxing authority established by voters in 2000 and reauthorized in 2014. Our mission is to provide leadership, advocacy and resources necessary to enhance children's lives in Broward County.

LAS is an active part of CSC's countywide Children's Strategic Plan, specifically the Kinship Initiatives Subcommittee. CSC has identified legal representation as a needed part of supporting kinship families and caregivers in our community. CSC provided the leadership to create the Kinship Initiatives Support Services (KISS), and LAS has been a provider partner since that time. CSC currently supports the KISS system of care, which includes four social service providers, and LAS as the sole legal service provider.

LAS is an integral and successful component of the kinship system of care which can provide safe, stable homes and, when appropriate, avoid involvement in the dependency system. Due to resource capacity, LAS's Kinship Project is limited to providing legal representation to relatives within the third degree (a statutorily imposed limit), or seek an adoption which requires a permanent termination of parental rights for non-relative or distant relative caregiver households. There are capacity gaps, however, with the current provision of services; categories of distant-relatives or non-relatives, including Godparents, seeking a guardianship of a minor, and there is a need to provide caregivers with estate planning and pre-need directives to include the children for which they are caring.

We are confident that with your support, LAS' Kinship Project can expand its services to include these additional families and services. Please let me know if you desire additional information or have any questions.

Sincerely,


Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, M.P.A., J.D.
President/CEO

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March 15, 2019

Re: Sunshine Health Child Welfare Specialty Plan (CWSP) Reinvestment Fund

To Whom It May Concern:

The Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) is proud to support Community Based Connections, Inc. (CBCI) in their proposal to the Sunshine Health Child Welfare Specialty Plan (CWSP) Reinvestment Fund.

The CSC has provided funding to CBCI for family strengthening programming since 2011. Family strengthening programs are designed to stabilize families in crisis, families who are at high risk of out-of-home placement, and families at-risk for child abuse and neglect. CBCI currently provides weekly in-home parent education and support services, and has a history of providing quality services.

Additionally, CBCI was awarded funding through CSC's 2017 Learning Together RFP, offering year-round programming for at-risk middle school youth using a racial equity lens to promote healthy development through supportive relationships with adults and peers, community connections, meaningful opportunities for involvement, and challenging and engaging activities and learning experiences. CBCI continues to meet or exceed all performance expectations.

CBCI's leadership team has a history of successful collaboration including participating in the Broward County Children's Strategic Plan committees, Racial Equity work groups, and other community efforts serving diverse populations. CBCI's leadership team consistently displays integrity, responsibility, and dedication to the clients they serve and are mission driven to provide culturally sensitive services.

We applaud CBCI for their efforts to improve the lives of children, families, and communities and support their application.

Thank you for your consideration of their proposal.

Sincerely,



Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, M.P.A., J.D.
President/CEO

Council Members Attendance

October 2018 - September 2019

A = Absent; **X** = Present

Council Member	2018			2019								T.R.I.M. I	Sep.	T.R.I.M. II
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.			
Robin Bartleman	A	P	N/A	P	P	P								
Emilio Benitez	P	P	N/A	P	P	P								
Cathy Donnelly	A	P	N/A	P	A	P								
Beam Furr	P	P	N/A	P	P	A								
Kenneth L. Gillespie	P	P	N/A	P	<i>Via Phone</i>	P								
Vern Melvin	P	P	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A								
Dennis Miles	N/A	N/A	N/A	A*	A	P								
Tom Powers	A	P	N/A	P	P	P								
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Maria M. Schneider	P	A	N/A	A	P	A								
Paula Thaqi, M.D.	P	A	N/A	A	P	P								
Ana Valladares	P	P	N/A	P	<i>Via Phone</i>	P								
* Appointed a couple of weeks prior.														