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John Milledge

Garry Johnson

DATE: October 11, 2019
TO: Council Members
FROM: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO
SUBJECT: Information for October 17th Council Meeting

Enclosed is the information packet for the **October 17th Council meeting, at 9:30am**, at the CSC Office. As a cost-saving measure, the tabs start at J and end at Z.

Behind Tab M you will find the draft 2020 Council Meeting Calendar. Take a close look at the September dates, which are different from the usual dates/times, as they are in the afternoon and include the two TRIM Hearings. Please review and let us know if there are any major conflicts.

Please note item VII on the agenda is a PPC Report relating to the tabled gun safety item considered at the August and September Council meetings. Due to Member availability, the PPC meeting will take place October 15th at 4:30pm, location TBD, and resulting recommendations will be distributed on October 16th for discussion at this Council meeting. All interested Members are encouraged to attend the PPC meeting.

There will be two presentations at this meeting, an OCP2/3 Report and the CSC Kinship RFP Roundtable. The first will be a 10-minute OCP2/3 (One Community Partnership) Report from OCP2 staff. OCP2 is a collaborative initiative enhancing the delivery of services to transition-age youth and emerging adults who experience emotional/mental health challenges that also may include co-occurring substance abuse, trauma, and other complex issues. Council Member Ana Valladares serves as the Council's representative to OCP2.

The Council Members' Roundtable this month will feature the upcoming Kinship Request for Proposals (RFP). This will be your opportunity to not only ask questions, but engage in important dialogue that will help shape this CSC program area.

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.

**Children's Services Council of Broward County
Monthly Meeting**

6600 W. Commercial Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL 33319

October 17, 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. Minute to Arrive | (Tab J) | |
| b. Approve September 19, 2019, Council Minutes | (Tab K) | |
| c. Approve September 19, 2019, TRIM Minutes | (Tab L) | |
| d. Approve Cancellation of December Meeting | | |
| e. Approve 2020 Council Meeting Calendar | (Tab M) | |
| f. FYI – President/CEO Performance Evaluation | | |
| g. FYI – Annual Report Photo at November Meeting | | |
| IV. President's Report | | Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO |
| Good of the Order | (Tab N) | |
| V. Chief Communications Officer (CCO) Report | | Sandra Bernard-Bastien, CCO |
| a. Approve HandsOn Broward's Literacy Contract Adjustment | (Tab O) | |
| b. Approve Revised Mini-Grant Awards and Network for Good Fundraising Costs | (Tab P) | |
| c. Broward: Read for the Record 2019 | (Tab Q) | |
| i. Approve Revenue & Related Expenditures | | |
| ii. Approve Carrying Forward FY 18/19 Budget into FY 19/20 | | |
| c. Approve Hunger Contracts Adjustments | (Tab R) | |
| d. FYI – Transitional Independent Living Housing Manuals Update | (Tab S) | |
| VI. Chief Operating Officer (COO) Report | | Monti Larsen, COO |
| a. Approve Facilities Management Company | (Tab T) | |
| b. Approve Disposal of Fixed Assets | (Tab U) | |
| c. Approve Invoices, P.O.s & Contracts | (Tab V) | |
| VII. Program Planning Committee Report | (Tab W) | Cathy Donnelly, Committee Chair |
| Follow-Up on Gun Violence Statement | (Tab X) | <i>Supplemental info to be distributed 10/16</i> |
| VIII. Broward Reads Coalition Report | (Tab Y) | Beam Furr, Coalition Co-Chair |
| IX. OCP2/3 Report (10 min Presentation) | | Ana Valladares, CSC OCP Representative |
| | | Silvia Quintana, CEO
Broward Behavioral Health Coalition |
| | | Tiffany Lawrence, OCP2 Project Director |

Broward Behavioral Health Coalition

Cathy Donnelly, Chair

X. Public Comment

XI. Council Members' Roundtable
Kinship RFP

Madeline Jones, CSC
Assistant Director, Program Services

Gloria Putiak, CSC
Senior Planning & Research Manager

Seanteé Campbell, CSC
Research & Evaluation Manager

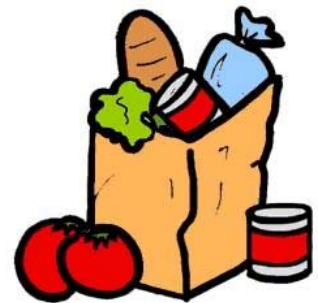
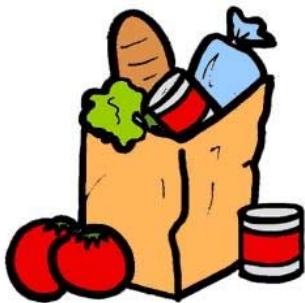
Cynthia Reynoso, CSC
Senior Programs Manager

XII. For Your Information

(Tab Z)

- a. Agency Capacity Building Minutes
- b. Funders Forum Minutes
- c. CSB Minutes
- d. CSC In The News
- e. Correspondence
- f. Attendance Report

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TAB J

Minute to Arrive

Micropractice for teams to be present

What:

A practice for groups to support becoming present and focused. This can be a useful tool when starting a meeting at work, or whenever you begin a new work task with others.

How:

Pause before you begin a meeting or group activity and invite everyone to take 1-minute to focus attention on the breath, allowing the body and mind to settle and focus on what you are about to begin.

When:

- » Before a meeting at work
- » Before starting a new task

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

6600 W. Commercial Blvd.

Lauderhill, FL 33319

Minutes

September 19, 2019

4:00 P.M.

Members in Attendance: School Board Member Robin Bartleman; Governor Appointee Emilio Benitez; Governor Appointee Cathy Donnelly; Judge Kenneth L. Gillespie; DCF Community Development Administrator Dawn Liberta; Governor Appointee Tom Powers; Governor Appointee Ana Valladares

Counsel Present: Garry Johnson, Esq.

Council Members Absent: Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr; School Superintendent Robert W. Runcie; Governor Appointee Maria Schneider; Health Department Director Paula Thaqi, M.D. (*via phone only for reconvened portion after TRIM Hearing*)

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; Angie Buchter; Camila Romero Gil; Cynthia Reynoso; Erin Byrne; Gloria Putiak; Jeffery Glover; John Jeyasingh; Keisha Grey; Keyonia Lawson; Kimberlee Reid; Maddy Jones; Marissa Greif-Hackett; Maxine Goldson; Melissa Soza; Michelle Hagues; Nancy Cohn; Pooja Kothari; Silke Angulo; Tabitha Bush; Trisha Dowell

Guests in Attendance: Attached

Agenda:

I. Call to Order:

Ms. Donnelly called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

II. Roll Call:

The roll was called and a quorum was established.

III. Chair's Comments:

Ms. Donnelly welcomed Ms. Dawn Liberta, Circuit 17 Community Development Administrator, as the Department of Children and Families' representative to the Children's Services Council of Broward County. She presented her with a CSC pin.

Ms. Bartleman arrived.

Ms. Donnelly highlighted achievements of CSC staff, noting that Mr. Dion Smith, CSC's Assistant Director for Program Services, will be honored as a 2019 TIL System of Care Lifetime Hero Award Recipient at the FLITE Center Heroes Awards Luncheon on September 20th at the Bahia Mar Marina. He will be recognized for his years of hard work and dedication to making a difference in the lives of youth in Broward County's TIL System of Care. Ms. Donnelly also noted that Ms. Adamma DuCille, CSC's Assistant

Director of Training & Capacity Building, will be an honoree at the 2019 Mount Olive Development Corporation's Community Service Award Dinner Gala on November 1st at the Bonaventure Resort & Spa. She will be honored for her special service to the Broward County community over time, as well as her ability to make a difference in the lives of many people touched through her service.

Ms. Donnelly went on to note it is a testament to the strength of CSC that staff are being recognized by the community with such meaningful honors.

IV. President's Report:

a) Moment of Silence for Ms. Andrea Moore:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer requested a moment of silence in honor of Ms. Andrea Moore, a great child advocate who was a champion and protector of children being raised by the State.

b) Hurricane Dorian Update:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the community efforts in the wake of Hurricane Dorian.

c) Good of the Order:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer announced that in interviews preceding the Council meeting, CSC management interviewed three outstanding candidates for the position of Director of Program Services and selected Mr. Dion Smith.

The CSC Lights on Afterschool event will be held October 17th, from 1:00-5:00pm, at Franklin Park.

CSC was recently recognized for its ten years of outstanding support by KidVision/South Florida PBS. Ms. Seltzer shared the plaque that read, "We thank you for empowering young children and their families with knowledge, skills, and emotional support so they can become successful citizens. We are proud to stand with you."

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that Mr. Andrew Leone, CSC's Director of Communications & Community Engagement, just returned from Milwaukee where he presented on the national stage at the 2019 Prevent Child Abuse America National Conference.

V. Consent Agenda:

- a) Council Minutes:
- b) TRIM Minutes:
- c) Legislative Platform:
- d) Men2Boys Contact Renewal:
- e) Henderson Behavioral Health Letter of Agreement:
- f) Capacity Mini-Grants Request for Applications (RFA) Awards:
- g) Media & Collateral Purchases:
- h) Travel Meal Per Diem Rates:
- i) Financial Statements and Budget Amendments for August 2019:
- j) Invoices, P.O.s & Contracts:

ACTION: Ms. Bartleman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda included approval of the August 15, 2019, Council meeting minutes; approval of the September 9, 2019, TRIM Hearing minutes; approval of the 2020 Public Policy Agenda; approval of the Learning Together Contract renewal for Men2Boys with FLITE as Fiscal Sponsor; approval of the Letter of Agreement with the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) on behalf of Henderson Behavioral Health; approval of the Capacity Mini Grant Awards; approval of Network for Good for fundraising coaching and support; approval of the Small Business Development Center for business consulting services for Capacity Building Mini Grantees; approval of updated media and collateral purchases; approval of amending travel per diem rates beginning FY 19/20; approval of Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements for period ending August 31, 2019; and approval of CSC monthly/annual purchases for September 2019 and FY 2019/2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benitez and passed with no opposing votes.

VI. Program Planning Committee (PPC) Report:

- a) Community Reconstruction & Housing Emergency Funding Request:
- b) Children's Literacy Initiative (CLI) Leverage Funding Request:
- c) Urban League of Broward County Emergency Funding Request:

ACTION: Mr. Benitez made a motion to approve emergency funding for Community Reconstruction Housing Corporation Rites of Passage Program (North) contingent upon not receiving other leverage funding; approve leverage funding for CLI; and approve joint/community collaborative funding of the Urban league to continue serving families, all as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Valladares and passed with no opposing votes.

d) Follow-up on Gun Violence Statement:

ACTION: Mr. Benitez made a motion to take the gun violence statement off the table. The motion was seconded by Ms. Valladares. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

Robin Bartleman	Yes
Emilio Benitez	Yes
Cathy Donnelly	Yes
Beam Furr	Absent
Kenneth L. Gillespie	Yes
Dawn Liberta	Yes
Tom Powers	Yes
Robert W. Runcie	Absent
Maria M. Schneider	Absent
Paula Thaqi	Absent
Ana Valladares	Yes

Discussion ensued as Members considered the original gun violence statement and the substitute statement recommended by the Program Planning Committee (PPC). That statement spoke out against gun violence and the long-lasting impact of the resulting trauma on children, promoted Federal and State actions that protected children, and avoided catapulting CSC into the political fray of the 2020 elections and out of defined areas of expertise related to child and youth development.

Mr. Benitez and Ms. Bartleman spoke out passionately in favor of a strong statement that addressed gun ownership. Ms. Donnelly and Ms. Valladares expressed support for the statement that was discussed at length at the PPC meeting. That statement is consistent with the directive given staff at the August Council meeting. It keeps CSC advocating for issues that align with the CSC's mission and expertise. Mr. Powers was adamant that CSC not become entangled in this highly-divisive issue.

Judge Gillespie explained that he must abstain from any votes on this issue, as he serves at the pleasure of the Chief Judge and is prohibited from voting on or discussing matters that may come before him on the Bench.

ACTION: Ms. Valladares made a motion to amend the originally presented statement from August 15th to the proposed revised statement from the Program Planning Committee, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Liberta.

Ms. Bartleman made a motion to amend the PPC proposed revised statement to add four items from the original August 15th statement: (1) raise the federal age requirement to purchase firearms to age 21 to mirror Florida statute; (2) improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System across all states; (3) expand background checks for gun purchases at any location; and (4) reform Florida's Baker Act to close loopholes which allow persons with documented histories of mental health issues the right to purchase guns. The motion was seconded by Ms. Liberta.

A roll call vote on Ms. Bartleman’s amendment was conducted and the motion failed.

Robin Bartleman	Yes
Emilio Benitez	Yes
Cathy Donnelly	No
Beam Furr	Absent
Kenneth L. Gillespie	Abstain
Dawn Liberta	Yes
Tom Powers	No
Robert W. Runcie	Absent
Maria M. Schneider	Absent
Paula Thaqi	Absent
Ana Valladares	No

ACTION. Ms. Bartleman made a motion to amend the proposed revised statement to add three items: (1) improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System across all states; (2) raise the federal age requirement to purchase firearms to age 21 to mirror the State of Florida; and (3) reform Florida’s Baker Act to close loopholes which allow persons with documented histories of mental health issues the right to purchase guns. Mr. Benitez seconded the motion.

Discussion continued with positions remaining as stated above.

ACTION: Mr. Benitez made a motion to recess at 5:01pm in order to hold the scheduled TRIM Hearing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Powers and passed unanimously.

The meeting reconvened at 5:06pm, with Dr. Thaqi joining the meeting via phone.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer summarized Ms. Bartleman’s motion that was made and seconded prior to the recess for the TRIM Hearing.

A roll call vote was conducted and the motion failed.

Robin Bartleman	Yes
Emilio Benitez	Yes
Cathy Donnelly	No
Beam Furr	Absent
Kenneth L. Gillespie	Abstain
Dawn Liberta	Yes
Tom Powers	No
Robert W. Runcie	Absent
Maria M. Schneider	Absent
Paula Thaqi	Abstain
Ana Valladares	No

Further discussion ensued as Ms. Bartleman sought to determine which, if any, of the original August 15th statement recommendations could be added to the PPC proposed revised statement.

ACTION: A roll call vote was conducted on Ms. Valladares' motion to approve the PPC proposed revised amendment, which was previously seconded by Ms. Liberta. The motion failed.

Robin Bartleman	Yes
Emilio Benitez	No
Cathy Donnelly	Yes
Beam Furr	Absent
Kenneth L. Gillespie	Abstain
Dawn Liberta	Yes
Tom Powers	No
Robert W. Runcie	Absent
Maria M. Schneider	Absent
Paula Thaqi	Abstain
Ana Valladares	Yes

ACTION. Ms. Bartleman made a motion to table the original August 15th gun violence statement until the next monthly Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Powers and passed with one opposing vote from Mr. Benitez.

Ms. Bartleman departed the meeting.

e) Follow-up on Public Charge Issue:

Ms. Valladares noted that the Public Charge issue is evolving, and that the Council and the Children of Immigrant Families Committee are working closely together. She added that she will share the advocacy areas outlined in the issue paper with the Committee.

VII. Public Comment:

There were no comments.

VIII. Council Members' Comments:

There were no additional comments.

IX. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 P.M.

Kenneth L. Gillespie, Secretary

MEETING ATTENDEES

*denotes speaker

Name	Organization
Grace Ramos	The M Network
Lisa Clements	YMCA of South Florida
Alison Rodriguez	YMCA of South Florida
Erica Ricketts	Henderson Behavioral Health
Rosby Glover	Mt. Bethel
Courtnee Biscardi	Urban League of Broward County
R. Dunn, Sr.	Men2Boys
Idelma Quintana	Broward County
Raquel Lopes	WAM
Rashida Gordon	Harmony Development Center
Felipe Pinzon	Hispanic Unity of Florida
Cynthia Moreno	Harmony Development Center

TAB L

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

Truth In Millage (T.R.I.M.) Second Public Hearing

6600 W. Commercial Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL 33319

Minutes

September 19, 2019

Members in Attendance: School Board Member Robin Bartleman; Governor Appointee Emilio Benitez; Governor Appointee Cathy Donnelly; Judge Kenneth L. Gillespie; DCF Community Development Administrator Dawn Liberta; Governor Appointee Tom Powers; Governor Appointee Maria Schneider (*via phone*); Health Department Director Paula Thaqi, M.D. (*via phone*); Governor Appointee Ana Valladares

Members Absent: Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr; School Superintendent Robert W. Runcie;

Counsel Present: Garry Johnson, Esq.

Staff in Attendance: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO; Monti Larsen; Sandra Bernard-Bastien; Sue Gallagher; Maria Juarez Stouffer; Marlando Christie; Akil Edwards; Amy Jacques; Andrew Leone; Angie Buchter; Camila Romero Gil; Cynthia Reynoso; Erin Byrne; Gloria Putiak; Ileana Blanco; Jeffery Glover; John Jeyasingh; Karen Franceschini; Keisha Hill-Grey; Keyonia Lawson; Kimberlee Reid; Maddy Jones; Meg Wallace; Piper Weber; Pooja Kothan; Roxanne Smith; Silke Angulo; Trisha Dowell

Guests in Attendance: Rashida Gordon (Harmony); Cynthia Moreno (Harmony); Lisa Clements (YMCA); Alison Bregman-Rodriguez (YMCA); Felipe Pinzon (Hispanic Unity of Florida); Delma Quintana (Broward County); Grace Ramas (The M Network)

Agenda:

I. Millage Hearing

CSC Chair Cathy Donnelly called to order at 5:01 P.M. the second public hearing on the final millage rate and final budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

The roll was called and a quorum was established.

Ms. Donnelly opened the public hearing for adoption of the final millage rate for FY 2019-2020. She read the final millage rate of 0.4882. Said millage rate is a 4.88% increase over the roll-back rate.

Attorney Garry Johnson read Resolution No. 2019-03 by title only, Adopting the Final Millage Rate for 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.

Ms. Donnelly opened the floor for comments from the public regarding the final millage rate. Hearing none, she closed the public hearing and opened the floor for comments from the Council Members. There were no comments from the Council Members.

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to adopt the Resolution Adopting the Final Millage Rate of 0.4882 for 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Benitez. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

Robin Bartleman	Yes
Emilio Benitez	Yes
Cathy Donnelly	Yes
Beam Furr	Absent
Kenneth L. Gillespie	(Prohibited From Voting, Per Statute)
Dawn Liberta	Yes
Tom Powers	Yes
Robert W. Runcie	Absent
Maria M. Schneider <i>(via phone)</i>	Yes
Paula Thaqi <i>(via phone)</i>	Yes
Ana Valladares	Yes

II. Budget Hearing

Ms. Donnelly opened the public hearing for adoption of the final budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Attorney Garry Johnson read Resolution 2019-04, by title only, Adopting the Final Budget for 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.

Ms. Donnelly opened the floor for comments from the public regarding the final budget. Hearing none, she closed the public hearing and opened the floor for comments from the Council Members. There were no comments from the Council Members.

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to adopt the Resolution Adopting the Final Budget for 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Liberta. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

Robin Bartleman	Yes
Emilio Benitez	Yes
Cathy Donnelly	Yes
Beam Furr	Absent
Kenneth L. Gillespie	Yes
Dawn Liberta	Yes
Tom Powers	Yes
Robert W. Runcie	Absent
Maria M. Schneider <i>(via phone)</i>	Yes
Paula Thaqi <i>(via phone)</i>	Yes
Ana Valladares	Yes

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Kenneth Gillespie
Secretary

TAB M

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**CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL
OF BROWARD COUNTY**

2020 Council Meeting Calendar

Council Meeting, Thursday, January 16, 2020, 9:30am

Council Meeting, Thursday, February 20, 2020, 9:30am

Council Meeting, Thursday, March 19, 2020, 9:30am

Council Meeting, Thursday, April 16, 2020, 9:30am

Council Meeting/Budget Workshop, Thursday, May 21, 2020, 8:30am - 4:00pm

Council Meeting, Thursday, June 18, 2020, 9:30am

(Tentative)* Council Meeting, Thursday, July 16, 2020, 9:30am *(Tentative)

Council Meeting, Thursday, August 20, 2020, 9:30am

****(Tentative)* T.R.I.M. Public Hearing, Wednesday, September 9, 2020, 5:01pm *(Tentative)****

****(Tentative)* Council Meeting, Thursday, September 24, 2020, 4:00pm *(Tentative)****

****(Tentative)* T.R.I.M. Public Hearing, Thursday, September 24, 2020, 5:01pm *(Tentative)****

Council Meeting, Thursday, October 15, 2020, 9:30am

Council Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2020, 9:30am

(Tentative)* Council Meeting, Thursday, December 17, 2020, 9:30am *(Tentative)

Please Note:

September meetings are subject to change due to any public hearing date conflict with Broward County or School Board of Broward County schedules. If the above September dates change, an updated calendar will be distributed to Members and posted on the CSC website (www.cscbroward.org).

All meetings will be held at the CSC Office, 6600 W. Commercial Blvd., Lauderhill, FL 33319.

Meetings are subject to change. Please check our website calendar, www.cscbroward.org, for updated information.

Council meeting packet information will be posted on the website, www.cscbroward.org, a few days before each meeting. Only the agenda will be available at the meeting.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Amy Jacques at (954) 377-1675.

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TAB N

URBAN LEAGUE OF BROWARD COUNTY
PRESENTS

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GAME ON!

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RED GALA

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TRIPP SCOTT
DIVERSITY CHAMPION
AWARD



GREGORY ADAM
PAILE, ESQ.

PRESIDENT OF
BROWARD COLLEGE

MARGARET ROACH
HUMANITARIAN AWARD
PRESENTED BY: BROWARD HEALTH



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HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR,
BROWARD COUNTY

MARGARET ROACH
HUMANITARIAN AWARD
PRESENTED BY: JM FAMILY ENTERPRISES, INC.



CINDY ARENBERG
SEITZER

PRESIDENT & CEO OF THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES
COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

"I AM EMPOWERED" AWARD
PRESENTED BY: FOOTBALL UNITES



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URBAN LEAGUE OF BROWARD COUNTY
NATIONAL ACHIEVERS SOCIETY STUDENT

HONORING OUR MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS



Urban League
of Broward County

Cindy.

9/28/19

Game Day is here! We are honored to honor you as one of our MVPs.

I remember when you first came to this community... who knew we would still be hanging strong.

Thank you for choosing to use your platform to have a collective impact on this community. May God bless and keep you! Enjoy your evening
Dr. J.



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September 19, 2019

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Dear Kathleen,

The Technical Resources Committee of FGFOA, on which you serve, just issued three responses to GASB. I wanted to take a moment to say thank you for your work on this important committee. David Bean mentioned to me how seriously GASB considers our comments, saying that Florida can always be counted on to offer insightful comments and recommendations to improve the matters in question.

FGFOA functions through our committee structure. Your participation on the Technical Resources Committee is very meaningful. On behalf of the 3,000 members of FGFOA, let me express how grateful we are for the expertise you bring to this committee. Rather than stand on the sidelines and complain about GASB pronouncements, you can be proud that through your active involvement, you make things better for local governments as we strive to make our financial reporting relevant and effective.

Please call on me whenever I may be of help to you. It is an honor for me to serve as your FGFOA president this year. Your contributions, as demonstrated in your recent responses to GASB, will continue the legacy of service we offer to our members.

Very truly yours,

Ken Burke

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Dr. Thelma Tennie

& Associates, LLC

September 25th, 2019

Keisha Grey
Strategy Manager
Children's Services Council of Broward County
6600 West Commercial Blvd
Lauderhill, Florida 33319

Dear **Dr. Grey**,

On behalf of Dr. Thelma Tennie and Associates, LLC, and Healing Arts Institute of South Florida International, we would like to recognize you as an honored guest and award recipient during our December 2019 awards luncheon – held at **The Tower Club Fort Lauderdale** on **Thursday December 12th** 11:30am to 2:00pm. This HEALING THE COMMUNITY award is being presented to you in recognition of your valued civic and social commitment to assisting residents of Broward County Florida, and for being a valued leader in Broward County. We would be honored by your acceptance.

Many were considered for this recognition, but you were among a select few that we felt embodied the standards of excellence that we strive to represent.

Please confirm your attendance as soon as possible.

We look forward to celebrating this honor with you and hope you have a wonderful day.

Sincerely,

Thelma Tennie LMFT

Dr. Thelma Tennie, LMFT, Certified Clinical Sexologist
Dr. Thelma Tennie and Associates, LLC
Healing Arts Institute of South Florida International, Inc.

Tower Club Fort Lauderdale
100 SE 3rd Ave 28th floor
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33394



The Women of Color Empowerment Conference is a three-day destination conference where hundreds of multicultural affluent and influential women leaders from across the country convene. The Women of Color Empowerment Conference has evolved into a “must attend” conference for leaders, especially women of color. Year after year, the conference has attracted top nationally renowned speakers, all experts in their respective fields.

The **Ninth Annual Women of Color Empowerment Conference**. The conference will focus on educating and motivating dynamic Women of Color to lead more effectively.

The conference programming will take place on **Saturday, September 14, 2019** at the Fort Lauderdale Marriott Harbor Beach Resort & Spa in Fort Lauderdale, Florida from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Unconscious Bias: Breaking Through Unspoken Barriers to Advancement

This session is designed to enlighten you on how certain biases impact the criminal justice system, health care, education, contracting and employment. Learn the impact of bias and how to minimize biases in order to advance.

Moderated by: Jibrielle Polite, Executive Director, Women of Color Empowerment Institute, Inc.

Panelists: Adamma DuCille, Assistant Director of Training and Capacity Building, CSC of Broward
Barbara Chieves, CEO of Converge & Associates, Trainer for the Racial Equity Institute, Inc.
Keisha Grey, Ed.D., Strategy Manager, CSC of Broward
Melody Vanoy, SE Regional Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Trinity Health

Sent: Friday, September 20, 2019 5:52:30 PM
To: Keisha Grey, Ed.D <kgrey@cscbroward.org>
Subject: Thank you

Dear Dr. Grey,

On behalf of all board members of the Broward County Commission on the Status of Women, thank you so much for lending your time and expertise in speaking to us on the work and findings of the Children's Services Council regarding the status and the needs of girls in Broward County.

Your talk was both informative and fascinating, and I wish we could have devoted our entire meeting to hearing more. I would be very interested in following up on the outcomes you'll find from the programs you discussed, and more about the needs and challenges of girls transitioning out of foster care and any support services available.

I also want to tell you what a pleasure it was to meet you in person last week, following our email correspondence in June. I had taken the opportunity to attend a racial equity presentation by Sue Gallaher and Michelle Hagues, and you had added some information to questions I had posed following the presentation.

Thank you again for sharing the work of the Council with us, and thank you for all you do for the people of Broward County. I do hope you will be willing to give us more of your time and ideas in the future.

With warmest regards,

Gail Grahn
Chair, Broward County Commission on the Status of Women

SAVE THE DATE

LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL



Join the CSC's 7th Annual Lights on Afterschool Event!

Thursday, October 17, 2019
1:00 - 5:00 p.m

Franklin Park
2501 Franklin Drive,
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

As a valued partner, we invite you to join us in this celebration! Please be on the lookout for additional information coming soon.

For more information or to register
Jill Denis-Lay
jdenislay@cscbroward.org
954-377-1679



SAVE THE DATE

**FREE
FAMILY
EVENT**

LAUDERHILL RESILIENCY SYMPOSIUM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019

3:00PM - 7:00PM

**CENTRAL BROWARD REGIONAL PARK
3700 N.W. 11TH PLACE
LAUDERHILL, FL 33311**



RESILIENCE



**JOIN US FOR A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT FOCUSED ON
BUILDING SKILLS TO HELP YOU LEAD A MORE RESILIENT LIFE**

**Community
Programs**

**Mind Body
Workshops**

**Behavioral Health
Resources**

**Wellness
Activities**

 **Music**

**Supervised Kids
Activities**

Food 

- EVENT PARTNERS -



For more information, contact:

Tannisha Stewart tstewart@banyanhealth.org or Dr. Keisha Grey kgrey@cscbroward.org

TAB O

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:	Program expenses exceed current allocated budget
Action:	Approve additional funding for HandsOn Broward Literacy contract for mileage and program supplies
Budget Impact:	\$4,319 of \$30,875 Available in Goal 5.1.3 Broward Reads Unallocated For FY 19/20.

Background: CSC has provided leadership and support for the community-wide Broward Reads' campaign for Grade Level Reading including literacy and early education support (pre-K through 3rd grade) and other resources for children, parents and teachers. At the August 2018 Council meeting, HandsOn Broward (HOB) had a contract adjustment approved to allow the agency to serve as the volunteer hub for any participating non-profit involved in the recruitment, training, deployment and retainment of literacy tutors, mentors and coaches due to their past experience recruiting and retaining literacy coaches through a prior federal grant.

Current Status: In the first year of the contract HandsOn Broward has: recruited over 1,200 Volunteers for the 2018 Broward Read for the Record event, coordinated weekly reading events with the Fort Lauderdale Housing Authority, partnered with the Refugee Assistance Alliance to provide weekly in-home reading sessions to refugee families, partnered with the School Board to coordinate the Volunteer Reading Corp day at Gulfstream Learning Center. HOB actively participates in the CSC led Broward Reads Coalition and this past year piloted a virtual training module for reading coaches using the Zoom online platform. After reviewing the costs related to the first year of program operations, it has been demonstrated that additional funding is needed to support staff mileage reimbursement costs related to Literacy Initiatives, as well as funding to support the purchase of the program supplies to facilitate volunteer activities.

Recommended Action: Approve additional funding for HandsOn Broward Literacy contract for mileage and program supplies.

TAB P

Service Goal:	1.1 Support provider agency efforts to enhance their infrastructure and service delivery effectiveness.
Objective:	1.1.2 Provide funding to support organizational and program quality improvement initiatives.
Issue:	Correction of errors stated in September issue paper related to Mini Grant awards and Network for Good fundraising costs
Action:	Approve revised Mini Grant and Network for Good awards.
Budget Impact:	\$11,980 Returned to Goal 1.1.2 For FY 19/20.

Background: An issue paper detailing the Capacity Building Mini Grant awards, as well as consulting fees related to the Small Business Development Center and Network for Good consulting was submitted for Council approval in September of 2019. The accompanying table detailing the breakdown of expenses included a couple of scrivener's errors. The stipend to be paid to awardees for fundraising related expenses was inadvertently added to the column which detailed the cost of Network for Good consulting services. In addition, the individual cost per awardee for Network for Good consulting services was stated as \$8,400 per organization, the actual cost of the service is \$4,004 per organization.

Current Status: An updated table with the correct allocations is attached for Council review and approval.

Recommended Action: Approve revised Mini Grant and Network for Good awards.

MINI GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Score	Agency	Project Funding Fundraising Stipend	SBDC Consulting	Network for Good Fundraising	Total Recommended	Project Description
90	World AIDS Museum	\$15,000 \$17,000	\$4,725	\$8,400 \$4,004	\$25,729	They educate students in Broward County Public Schools on HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infection risks and offer a Peer Educator program in high schools. Funding will be awarded for the development of a comprehensive marketing plan and a coherent plan for maintaining stable financial support for their programs and services.
84	Gilda's Club South Florida	\$20,000	\$4,725	\$0	\$24,725	They work with children through cancer education, support groups and healthy living programs. The organization is in dire need of a larger building. Funding will be awarded for a Feasibility Study, which will provide critical feedback on how to best proceed, identify prospective donors and campaign volunteers and their specific level of support or engagement in the project.
82	Ark of Freedom Alliance, Incorporated	\$13,000 \$15,000	\$4,725	\$8,400 \$4,004	\$23,729	They operate programs working with marginalized males, LGBTQ children and special needs young adult survivors of human trafficking and those at risk. Funding will be awarded for building capacity of their Board of Directors to sustain the work of the organization.
81	FW4K Enterprises Inc. Fitwize 4 Kids	\$13,000	\$4,725	\$0	\$17,725	They provide fitness, nutrition and healthy lifestyle training to children of all ages. Funding will be awarded to establish a formal board membership and the development of a comprehensive Operations and Human Resources manuals.
79	KidSafe Foundation	\$10,000	\$4,725	\$0	\$14,725	They teach personal safety to children and adults in schools, in the community and online. Funding will be awarded to develop a marketing plan that will focus on building strategic relationships in order to reach a wider audience in Broward County.
75	Mount Bethel Human Services	\$10,000 \$12,000	\$4,725	\$8,400 \$4,004	\$20,729	They offer social services to children and families throughout Broward County. Funding will be awarded to conduct a retreat for their Board of Directors to train them on their roles and responsibilities as well as provide office upgrades to their website, materials and equipment.
73	Healing Arts Institute of South Florida International, Inc.	\$7,000 \$9,000	\$4,725	\$8,400 \$4,004	\$17,729	They provide programs and services to children and families in the areas of mental and behavioral health. Funding will be awarded for developing a comprehensive HR Manual.
64	Sports Konnect	\$6,000 \$8,000	\$4,725	\$8,400 \$4,004	\$16,729	They offer sports, science and mentoring programs to children. Funding will be awarded for the development of tools, policies and procedures to create a consistent onboarding process for their program trainers.
Itemized Totals		\$104,000	\$37,800	\$20,020	\$161,820	

TAB Q

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:	Reconcile the revenue/expenditures and move to correct fiscal year.
Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve Acceptance of Revenue and Related Expenditures for 2019 Broward: Read for the Record. 2. Approve Carrying Forward FY18/19 Budget for Read for the Record into FY 19/20.
Budget Impact:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accept \$52,150 Donations received through CSC & the Community Foundation. 2. Carryforward \$142,815 from Goal 5.1.3 in FY 18/19 to Goal 5.1.3 in FY 19/20.

Background: At the June 20, 2019 Council Meeting, the Council approved funding for the 2019 "Broward: Read for the Record". That Issue Paper identified the book, funding partners and anticipated donations, as well as named Jumpstart as the vendor providing the books for a cost of \$127,815. At the August 15, 2019 Council Meeting, the Council approved an additional \$22,200 to compensate for lower than anticipated funds raised; \$15,000 for Out-front Media for billboards; and funds to pay for the author to visit Broward and conduct a reading tour around the County. That August issue paper also noted that the date was moved from early October to November 7, 2019 as the day dedicated to reading to the children.

Current Status: Since the books have not yet arrived and the event date changed to November, these revenues and expenditures must be recognized in FY 19/20 rather than FY 18/19. Therefore, staff is requesting this carryforward be approved now before the typical carryforward budget is presented in November.

- Recommended Action:**
1. Approve Acceptance of Revenue and Related Expenditures for 2019 Broward: Read for the Record.
 2. Approve Carrying Forward FY18/19 Budget for Read for the Record into FY 19/20.

TAB R

Service Goal:	2.2 Children live in financially stable environments, free from hunger.
Objective:	2.2.1 Promote efforts to increase economic self-sufficiency and food security for families.
Issue:	Expand Availability of Nutritious Food for Families in Need.
Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve Increased Funding to Soref Jewish Community Center to Expand Food Boxes Year-Round; 2. Approve Contract Adjustment to South Florida Hunger Coalition (SFHC) and Meals on Wheels as their Fiscal Agent for the Mobile School Pantry.
Budget Impact:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$10,000 of \$21,174 Available in Goal 2.2 for FY19/20. 2. \$40,000 of \$722,305 Available in Unallocated for FY 19/20.

Background: Approximately 20% of children—one in five—in Broward, experience food insecurity. The Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) has been a supporter of childhood hunger relief efforts since it helped fund the county's first Hunger Report in 2006, and provided staff support to the then Million Meals Committee, now the South Florida Hunger Coalition. Since then, the CSC has funded programs that help children and families in need have consistent access to healthy, nutritious food in convenient, effective ways, with programs like Summertime Food Boxes, Harvest Drive, Mobile BreakSpot and Mobile School Pantry.

In May and June, the Council approved LifeNet 4 Families a total of \$34,608 to provide food boxes in addition to information on healthy living and safe eating habits. Over the years, Soref Jewish Community Centers has also been a partner with LifeNet 4 Families and Harvest Drive in providing these food boxes to the community. Since publication of the Budget Book, the agencies in conjunction with CSC, has requested that the contract be moved from LifeNet 4 Families to Soref and expanded so that these food boxes could be distributed year-round.

Current Status: To address food insecurity, staff recommends increasing funding by \$20,000 to Soref to purchase content and assemble an additional 400 food boxes, as well as other leveraged services to supplement food distribution being done through a number of pantries and Harvest Drive, and \$30,000 to SFHC and Meals on Wheels for the Mobile School Pantry, to cover purchasing additional fresh produce and other nutritious food for their monthly school visits and assist with increased operational costs. They will also support at least one CSC community event with a pop-up farmers market activity.

- Action:**
1. Approve Increased Funding to Soref Jewish Community Center to Expand Food Boxes Year-Round;
 2. Approve Contract Adjustment to South Florida Hunger Coalition (SFHC) and Meals on Wheels as their Fiscal Agent for the Mobile School Pantry

TAB S

Service Goal:	1.1 Support provider agency efforts to enhance their infrastructure and service delivery effectiveness. 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:	1.1.2 Provide funding to support organizational and program quality improvement initiatives. 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:	Update on the Transitional Independent Living young adults and staff Life Skills manuals
Action:	FYI
Budget Impact:	None

Background: Over 100 local youth turn 18 and age out of the foster care system each year. For 15 years, CSC has provided support for the various nonprofits within the Transitional Independent Living (TIL) system of care who work to support these young adults as they navigate experiences such as: learning critical life skills, exploring post-secondary options, entering the workforce and transitioning from dependent care, to living on their own. One of the major milestones during this critical transition period is securing and maintaining safe and stable housing.

Current Status: In the fall of 2018, concerns were expressed from both providers within the system of care, as well as partnering property owners regarding issues that potentially would lead to youth losing housing. Concerns included: failure to pay rental fees in a timely manner, unsatisfactory upkeep of rental property, as well as other lease agreement or property policy infractions. CSC responded to these concerns by convening a group of TIL provider agencies over a twelve-month period. The group identified barriers to maintaining stable housing, as well as practices that were working well within the system. Focus groups and interviews were also conducted with key stakeholders including the young adults in care, and partnering property owners to gain their input.

With the information and insight that was garnered, the group created two custom, and comprehensive training manuals, one for young adults in the TIL system and the other for staff working with them. The new manuals originated from training documents developed by the Oasis of Hope as a part of a CSC funded Capacity Building Mini Grant and the Leadership Broward Class XXXVI. Future training for both manuals will be managed by Oasis of Hope and the FLITE Center, and will be facilitated by TIL Life Coaches as well as young adults in the TIL system of care. Due to the size of the manuals, copies will be made available upon request.

Recommended Action: None

TAB T

Issue: Contract Award Facilities Management Services from the RFQ

Action: Approve Rating Committee selection of Ciminelli to continue to provide Facilities Management Services.

Budget Impact: \$42,000 Available within the Facilities Budget for FY 19/20.

Background: A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to obtain facilities management services for CSC was released August 19, 2019 and was the first procurement to be released through the newly automated Contract Administration and Procurement System (CAPS). The procurement closed on September 19, 2019 with only the current provider responding. The Rating Committee was comprised of the following:

Proposed Raters	
Maggie Hulsey	Director of Facilities, KID, Inc.
Michael Modica	Head of Facilities, CSC Palm Beach
Monti Larsen	Chief Operating Officer, CSC

Current Status: Although the only proposal received was the current Facilities Management company, the Rating Committee rated the proposal with an average score of 97 and did not feel the need to interview them. The increased cost included in this proposal was minimal and staff is completely satisfied with their services and does not think it necessary to go back out for bid to try to find another applicant. After approval by the Council, staff will begin negotiations for a five-year Agreement with Ciminelli. Ciminelli has been our provider since we moved into the building and helped us to win The Outstanding Building of the Year (TOBY) for Government several years ago. They will also be very helpful as we renew our LEED certification in the next year or so.

Recommended Action: Approve Rating Committee selection of Ciminelli to continue to provide Facilities Management Services.

Issue: Disposal of Fully Depreciated and Non-Capitalized Items.

Action: Approve Disposal of Fully Depreciated or Non-Capitalized Items.

Budget Impact: N/A

Background: The Council approves all purchases for the organization and conversely, also approves the disposal of fixed assets from the general ledger or from the premises if not capitalized. CSC's policy/procedures for fixed assets states that computer hardware/software is depreciated over a three-year period, furniture and fixtures is depreciated over a five-year period and items not meeting the current \$1,000 threshold are not capitalized and therefore not depreciated.

Current Status: Attached is a list of disposed items to be removed for reference. The list for both capitalized and non-capitalized items primarily includes old computer and other equipment that are outdated and no longer in use as technology continues to evolve. If applicable, certain electronic parts may be cannibalized to be used in other machines. The computers/parts will be donated to Green Owl Tech Recycling, which spun off from the operation center from ARC Broward Tech Center. Once the computers are refurbished, they are donated to CSC providers or other agencies in the Tri-County area to help bridge the Digital Divide.

There is a notable item on the list for software that has not been completely depreciated for the STAR Attendance module in SAMIS. Staff developed this module to accommodate the 21st Century Learning programs and the need for these detailed reports no longer exists in the LEAP High programs. All items on the list are fully depreciated with one notable exception and there is no expense effect to the Fund Financial Statements.

Recommended Action: Approve Disposal of Fully Depreciated and Non-Capitalized Items.

Children's Services Council
Fixed Assets - Disposal recor
Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 20

	<u>Asset Description</u>	<u>Acquisition Date</u>	<u>Acquisition Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>Net Book Value</u>
1	Fujitsu fi-4120C Scanner	9/2/2004	\$ 1,111.00	\$ 1,111.00	\$0.00
2	Portable Sound System	5/1/2006	\$ 2,214.80	\$ 2,214.80	\$0.00
3	CISCO 48 Port 2960 Switch (Data Comm)	12/8/2009	\$ 2,692.25	\$ 2,692.25	\$0.00
4	Symmetra LX APC Battery	11/4/2009	\$ 14,301.25	\$ 14,301.25	\$0.00
5	Symmetra LX APC Battery	11/4/2009	\$ 14,301.25	\$ 14,301.25	\$0.00
6	Computer - Toshiba Tecra R950	4/9/2013	\$ 1,145.86	\$ 1,145.86	\$0.00
7	Computer - Lenovo Yoga Pro	5/20/2014	\$ 1,559.00	\$ 1,559.00	\$0.00
8	Computer - Lenovo Yoga Pro	5/20/2014	\$ 1,559.00	\$ 1,559.00	\$0.00
9	Computer - Dell Precision T1700	1/27/2016	\$ 1,222.43	\$ 1,222.43	\$0.00
10	Computer - Dell Precision T1701	1/27/2016	\$ 1,222.43	\$ 1,222.43	\$0.00
11	Computer - Dell Precision T1702	1/27/2016	\$ 1,222.43	\$ 1,222.43	\$0.00
12	Software - STAR Attendance Module (Computerdoctors)	9/30/2015	\$ 30,937.50	\$ 30,937.50	\$0.00
13	Software - STAR-Attendance Module (Webauthor)	10/1/2017	\$ 31,745.00	\$ 21,144.02	\$10,600.98
		Subtotal	\$ 105,234.2	\$ 94,633.2	\$10,600.9

Non-Capitalized Assets to be dispose
(Details will be provided if neede

\$ 12,920.8

Total \$ 118,155.0

TAB V



For Council Meeting

October 17, 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 October, 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
October 17, 2019 for FY 19/20**

Vendor		Amount	Comment
Back-up documentation is available upon request.			
<u>Purchase Orders (less than \$10,000):</u>			
Apple	Apple Laptop (2 ea @ \$3,178ea) for 2 Directors	\$ 6,356.00	
Broward County Parks and Rec / Long Key Nature Ctr	FY 19/20 Staff retreat facility rental	\$ 1,600.00	
CDW-G/ Tiger Direct / Coastal / Amazon/ Gov't Connection	Annual Maintenance agreements - ARC Serve \$4,500; MSDN \$4,100 ; Symantec \$7,000	\$ 15,600.00	FY 19/20
Creole Trans	Transcription services for Informed consent form - Creole	\$ 85.00	Program Admin
Nyhart	GASB 75 OPEB Valuation	\$ 3,500.00	
One Click	Apple i-Mac computer repair	\$ 770.00	
On Time Telecom	Emergency response system	\$ 400.00	
QTS	Cost associated with completion of xconnect to QTS	\$ 900.00	
Student services dba Real World Translation -Translation to other languages	Transcription services for Informed consent form - Spanish	\$ 50.00	Program Admin
<u>Program Related Purchases:</u>			
VISA	6 @\$40 gift cards for CPAR focus group	\$ 240.00	System Goal 1.2.2; FICW grant plus fees
Broward County Parks and Rec; From Inside Out School of Etiquette; New Dimension Int'l	Resiliency Symposium - Venue \$800; Speakers \$250ea x 2	\$ 1,300.00	System Goal 1.2.1
<u>Employee Travel and Training:</u>			
Cindy Arenberg Seltzer & Sandra Bernard Bastien	League of Cities - August 2019 Gen Member mtg	\$ 90.00	
Keisha Grey	RBA Training; 9/26/19; Jacksonville, FL	\$ 75.00	3rd party reimbursement
Kathleen Campbell	Webinar; GFOA 9/12/19; Webinar GFOA 12/05/19	\$ 220.00	
Sue Gallagher	2nd Centering Equity w/in Data Integration; 10/24/19; Baltimore	\$ 315.00	3rd party reimbursement
<u>Trainers/Materials (Service Goal 1.1.X) (Provider names and courses may be subject to change):</u>			
Christine Kearney	Family Empowerment	\$ 1,500.00	Instructor Led Training (ILT)
Joel Smith	Behavior Mgmt.	\$ 650.00	ILT
Joel Smith	Adverse Childhood Experiences	\$ 650.00	ILT
Open Mind Ventures / Aimee Berstein	Resolving Conflict Harmoniously; Operations retreat; 1/23/2020	\$ 650.00	General Admin
STA Consulting	Keynote speaker for Staff retreat; Nov 8, 2019	\$ 800.00	General Admin

Vendor		Amount	Comment
<u>Sponsorship</u>			
Broward County Libraries	6th Annual Teen Empowerment Summit; Dec 14, 2019	\$ 1,000.00	Designed to encourage young people to graduate from high school, attend college, develop a better understanding of their personal finances and gain a greater awareness of the academic support system through our libraries.
Broward Days Inc	Sponsorship; Jan 21-22, 2020	\$ 1,000.00	Increases Broward's exposure for networking and business development opportunities and will support countywide unity for civic involvement in the legislative process.
National Aid Foundation For Unprovided Children, Inc	11th Annual Thanksgiving Service Fair, Nov 23, 2019; Vision Hope Worship Ctr	\$ 1,000.00	Service Health Fair will provide various free health related screenings, food drive and distribution of food to those in need.
Pass The Blessings Foundation, Inc	23rd Annual Holiday in the Park, Dec 14,2019; Samuel Develoe Park	\$ 1,000.00	Annual Holiday in the Park for children and families.

Memberships:

Community Reinvestment Alliance	2020 Annual membership	\$ 150.00	
FL Assoc of Special Districts FASD	2020 Annual membership	\$ 750.00	
FL Prosperity Partnership	2020 Annual membership	\$ 300.00	

TAB W

Program Planning
Meeting Minutes
to be distributed

10/16

TAB X

Issue:	Gun Violence that Contributes to Child/Family Trauma and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE).
Action:	Approve Statement Regarding Gun Safety
Budget Impact:	None.

Background: Since inception CSC has provided leadership on issues relating to the well-being of children, as called for in its Mission Statement. While the very first goals focused on ameliorating trauma through advocating for improvements to the Foster Care and Juvenile Justice systems and the funding of services to prevent children from entering those systems, in recent years there has been an even greater focus on the impact of trauma on children. Since the tragedy at MSD the issue of trauma from gun violence inflicted by mass shootings, gangs, near daily shootings in some communities and suicides have been an area of focus with each new incident retraumatizing already traumatized children and youth.

Current Status: Following the recent mass shootings in Gilroy, CA.; El Paso, TX; and Dayton, OH, the Jewish Federation of Broward County implored community leaders to join in one voice around gun safety and the expansion of mental health services. In collaboration with the Jewish Federation, United Way and others in our community, we are asking the Council to approve the following statement and authorize the CEO and staff to speak out on these issues.

As child advocates, we have a responsibility to speak out against the irreparable trauma inflicted upon our children by gun violence and a lack of funding for behavioral health resources. In an effort to minimize this trauma, the CSC supports Federal and State action to:

- *Provide adequate funding for behavioral health services;*
- *Improve access for prevention and early intervention services for children and families;*
- *Expand background checks for gun purchases at any location;*
- *Improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System across all states;*
- *Raise the federal age requirement to purchase firearms to age 21;*
- *Prohibit the purchase of military-style firearms; and*
- *Reform Florida's Baker Act to close loopholes which allow persons with documented histories of mental health issues the right to purchase guns.*

The motion to approve the statement above was tabled on August 15th. Prior to the tabling, staff was directed to develop an alternative statement focusing on social emotional learning, the need for additional federal and state funding for mental health supports and the importance of safe storage of firearms. The Program Planning Committee (PPC) reviewed the statement and amended it as reflected in the PPC meeting minutes and on the next page. At the September 19th meeting, there was extensive discussion about the PPC substitute motion and there were several attempts to amend the substitute motion. All of those motions failed, including the PPC substitute motion (see meeting minutes). The original proposed statement was then tabled again. The PPC will consider this item again on October 15th, at 4:30pm. Their recommendation will be distributed on October 16th for consideration at the full Council meeting on October 17, 2019.

Recommended Action: Approve Statement Regarding Gun Safety.

Proposed Revised Statement:

As child advocates, we have a responsibility to speak out against the gun violence that inflicts trauma upon our children, and in support of adequate state funding for behavioral health resources – Florida ranks 47th in the nation for mental health funding. In an effort to minimize this trauma, the CSC supports State and Federal solutions focused on prevention, best practices, and research, including:

- Working with local communities to improve access to training and promote social-emotional learning and problem solving skills;*
- Providing adequate funding for behavioral health services;*
- Supporting local efforts to build community resources to support the resilience and coping skills of children and families who have been exposed to gun violence;*
- Promoting responsible gun ownership, including the use of gun locks and other safe storage devices; and*
- Promoting public health research and data collection on gun violence - its effect on children and social determinants relating to suicide and gun violence.*

TAB Y

**Broward Reads Coalition - Campaign for Grade Level Reading
Meeting Minutes
August 7, 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: Sandra Bernard-Bastien, Andrew Leone, Liza Khan, Katrina Welch, Megan Turetsky (Children's Services Council of Broward County); Commissioner Beam Furr, (Co-Chair) & CSC Council Member, Idelma Quintana (Broward County Commission); Daniel Gohl, Lori Canning (BCPS); Kimberly White (Broward County Libraries); Renee Jaffe, (Co-Chair), Pablo Calvo, Allison Metsch (Early Learning Coalition of Broward County); Cammie Cacace (Memorial Healthcare); Katharine Ospina, Carolina Bosco (HandsOn Broward); Cresha Reid (S. Fl Institute on Aging); Donna Greene (City of Hollywood); Jorg Hruschka (City of Fort Lauderdale); Meagan Albright (NSU Alvin Sherman Library); Kristen Lewis, Robin Molan (United Way of Broward County); Krsha Sendon, Erum Kidwai (The Children's Movement); Deontre Clayton (Florida Reading Corps); Lisa Libidinsky (City of Pembroke Pines); Charles Frishman (Max Scholar); Rob Horton (Barnes and Noble); Penny Bernath (South Florida PBS); Susan Climan (Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance); Kathy Curtin (Flamingo Gardens); Julie Fishman (City of Tamarac); Susan Rakes (Art & Culture Center/Hollywood); and Martha Steinkamp (U.S. Dept. of Education).

I. Welcome and Introductions

Commissioner Beam Furr welcomed participants and led self introductions.

II. Review of April Meeting Minutes

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer seconded by Daniel Gohl and passed with no opposing votes.

III. Updates:

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

Broward Reads in Your City Early Learning Sub Committee – B.R.A.G. (Broward Reads Achieves Gains) is a sub committee focused on Early Learning. The sub-committee will discuss activities for parent engagement, coaching tips, share best practices from around the nation and literacy tools in early care and education. The ELC will be sending out a Save the Date to representatives from each of the municipalities. The meetings will be held on the off months to prevent conflict with the Broward Reads Meetings.

The ELC will be improving their professional development for early care providers in the community. There will be a separate track for voluntary Pre-K educators. Tiered learning opportunities will be introduced to educators that have already taken the first level of training. CSC's PAOD Department will work with ELC staff to streamline branding guidelines for this effort to ensure it is seen as part of Broward Reads and not a new committee. **(B.R.A.G. flyer is provided with the minutes.)**

ELC Quality Efforts for School Year 19/20 – Allison Metsch – The ELC will be working with those VPK program providers who scored on the lower end on their CLASS evaluation to help improve scores and classroom quality. Teaching Strategies Gold (TSG) – an assessment tool - is a new initiative which will be used to work with providers for child assessments. A TSG training will be held the first Saturday of every month and will lead into February for the ELC Community Conference.

❖ **Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) – Daniel Gohl**

Third Grade Outcomes and Actions - As a result of the early learning work, BCPS is able to see results from reports that come from the state. FSA begins in grade 3 and they report on grades 3 – 10 in English/Language Arts. BCPS is seeing a substantial gain in earlier learners 3rd and 4th graders compared to 7th and 8th graders. The persistent focus on early learning makes a difference.

Lori Canning spoke about best practices which say that parents should read to their children from early infancy. The goal is to have parents read to children so that they can have a positive environment growing up.

BCPS has made gains every year for the past 4 years with FSA scores and is at the top of the 5 largest districts in the state tied with Miami-Dade. BCPS started out in the 1st year of Broward Reads with 52% of the children reading proficiently and has achieved an 8% increase in proficiency over the past 4 years. BCPS also has to take a closer look at the 40% of the children that are scoring at reading level one. Children who do not score a level 2 or above or do not pass the alternative test are retained in the 3rd grade. It is BCPS's mission through multiple divisions and work in the school system, to see what percentage of children have been identified with exceptional needs and the percentage of children that are English language learners. Children who had Reading Pals scored one level higher than the controlled group and 5% higher on the primary reading test. Children who had TutorMate also scored higher on the primary reading test. BCPS goal is to make sure that all children are on the right track for this school year

The Children's Literacy Initiative (CLI), a not-for-profit organization stationed in Philadelphia selected Broward for a I-3 scale up grant and has been working in 7 schools over the last 4 years. Every school will receive a full-time literacy coach to work with the teachers on best practices for effective literacy instruction and professional development. The schools CLI has worked with have all shown great improvements. BCPS is in the process of expanding CLI's instruction to another 7 schools.

BCPS is in partnership with the University of Florida and the James Patterson Foundation to address Florida's Literacy crisis. James Patterson donated 5 million dollars to increase the capacity of individual teachers across the state to teach reading effectively, diagnose reading problems and intervene appropriately using evidence based methods. UF is working in 10 schools this year and held a 5 day academy last week where they brought all of the teachers and are focusing on the science of reading. BCPS is using decisions charts to target struggling students.

Beam Furr put out a call into the community to get more Reading Pals and TutorMate volunteers for the students. Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer stated that HandsOn Broward is the clearinghouse to ensure that every child in Broward County who needs a Reading Pal or TutorMate can receive that attention. All volunteers should be referred to HandsOn Broward. MECCA also has a free tutoring program. It is offered through Title I at 3 locations and is expanding next year. The program is free for any child from K – 12th Grade. Public Library also has tutoring programs at several locations.

2024 Strategic Plan - Dan Gohl reviewed the 2024 Strategic plan flyer. It can be found on www.browardschools.com under “Find it Fast”. The vision and mission are the same but the new plan includes a streamlined and modernized set of 5 Core Values, 3 Strategic Goals, 6 Campaigns and 19 Initiatives. The strategic plan handles everything from the earliest youth community members to adult learners. BCPS staff members are assigned to each campaign and initiative. Progress will be reported quarterly. **The 2024 Strategic Plan is included with the minutes.**

❖ **Broward County – Kim White**

Broward County Library – The homework help library sites at African-American Research Library (Tyrone Bryant), Collier City, Lauderhill, Town Center, Riverland and Tamarac start after Labor Day during varying afterschool hours. There are also homework assistance sites at Northwest Regional Library. The information will be updated on the libraries website. Additional summer updates will be provided at the next Broward Reads Meeting.

It is official. Oge Mora will attend the conference on Friday, September 27, 2019. Her book, “Thank You Omu” is the Read for the Record book. Angela Dominiquez, Sunshine Reader’s List Author and April Homes, Superstar Award Illustrator will also be in attendance.

Dan Gohl spoke about the Public Library Card. When parents register their child for school, they now have the option to opt in for the card.

Kim White suggested that CSC events would be a good way to promote the library card program. The goal is to have 5,000 new library card applications during FY 19/20.

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

National Pacesetter Award – Liza Khan – Broward Reads for the 3rd year in a row has been recognized with Pacesetter Honors in two areas – *Pacesetters in Achieveing Bigger, Better Outcomes* and *Pacesetters in Making Game-Changing Impacts and Fixing the Brakes on Progress*.

2019 Back to School Extravaganza– Sandra Bernard-Bastien – Saturday, August 3, 2019 was CSC’s final Back to School Extravaganza for 2019. WPBT in partnership with PNC attended the Hallandale High School Back to School event on Saturday, July 27, 2019. There was a literacy corner with Daniel Tiger and Curious George that captured children’s attention and curiosity. **Andrew showed Back to School Extravaganza video.**

Children's Trust – Liza Khan – Liza, Lori and Sandra took a field trip to the Children's Trust two weeks ago to get an idea about what they are doing with their literacy campaign. The CSC is interested in learning more about their Book Club program and will follow-up regarding same.

IV. Broward Reads in Your City Spotlight:

City of Hollywood Little Libraries Expansion – Donna Greene – The City of Hollywood is promoting Little Libraries throughout the City.

Christian Life Center has embraced building little libraries and the police department now wants to get involved. Also, the City of Hollywood Art & Culture Center will be volunteering one of their sites. Vandalism prevention measures need to be implemented to prevent artwork from being vandalized.

Katie Ospina mentioned that HandOn Broward has a production team to assist the City of Hollywood to adopt little libraries in their cities should they need it. HOB will provide volunteers, partner with arts & culture centers and youth groups with local artists and to help with vandalism. Donna thanked Jorg Hruschka from City of Fort Lauderdale for his assistance.

V. Partner Update: HandsOn Broward – Katie Ospina & Carolina Bosco

Summer Reading – Katie Ospina – The City of Deerfield Beach has taken the initiative to focus on recruiting more Reading Pals for the local schools in their community. A few foster grand-parents were sent to SOFIA. Florida Reading Corp is expanding their reading program this year. HOB is also recruiting for KAPOW (Kids And the Power of Work) which is looking for specific volunteers in Hollywood and Pompano.

HOB assisted with the Reading Ambassador Program for the Summer BreakSpot sites during the summer. HOB is currently recruiting for the Mental Health Association of South East Florida for two of their programs that are in the schools called "Listen to Children" and one called "I'm Somebody". The programs provide non-threatening adults as mentors for literacy.

Back to School events and Book Distribution – The Back to School Extravaganza events with the CSC went really well.

VI. Community Announcements:

City of Tamarac – Julie Fishman – Students from Tamarac attend 16 different public schools in 7 different cities. The City of Tamarac is working collaboratively with other cities to work with the schools. The Stakeholders groups within the city are creating brochures that will list the schools that students attend, it will also list school grades as well as programs offered in the schools.

Kid Vision - Penny Bernath – Celebrating 10 years and 100 field trips. There will be a 10 year anniversary party at Marando Farm on September 7, 2019. All 100 locations are invited to attend. The event is free and open to everyone. Kid Vision has an online program for VPK teachers to show in their classrooms. By the fall, the training will be offered in English and Spanish. Kid Vision is working with a 360 app to develop literacy skills on 3 levels.

City of Fort Lauderdale - Jorg Hruschka – The City is working with NSU on a pilot program to find out the root causes of excessive absences, which affects the child’s ability to learn. The City will be doing a pilot interview process this Saturday at J.C. Carter Park with the local community as part of the bookbag giveaway. The City is looking to incorporate 3rd grade ELA proficiency as a measure in the strategic plan. Principals will be invited to attend a back to school roundtable discussion this Friday at J.C. Carter Park to see what the cities are doing about promoting literacy, education and mentorship.

Florida Reading Corps – Deontre Clayton – Florida Reading Corp is an AmeriCorps reading program. Corp members are placed in Pre-K and VPK classrooms and are trained on the reading curriculum. There are 7 sites in Broward, 5 public schools and 2 childcare centers.

Barnes and Noble – Robert Horton – Educator Appreciation is every Saturday and Sunday starting now through September 15, 2019. Educators receive a free card and a 20% discount and on weekends they receive a 25% discount.

City of Pembroke Pines – Lisa Libidinsky – There are two programs that are happening at the Frank. The “Kid’s Corner Storytime” Hour, continuing on September 7, 2019 and “A Little Engineers” program in October 2019 which allows groups of children to create robots together.

United Way – Kristen Lewis – United Way is currently recruiting and training volunteers for Reading Pals. UW has approximately 300 that are currently trained or registered for the upcoming trainings.

Broward County Libraries– Kim White - Barnes and Noble shared coloring sheets and Storytime leftovers that were distributed to hurricane shelter kids and Summer BreakSpot locations. The 3 libraries in the City of Pembroke Pines will be doing a story block based on the Read for the Record book this year. For the conference on Friday, September 27, 2019, books will be given away to participants who attend the conference.

September is National Library Card sign up month. The initial Ambassadors this year are the Toy Story II crew on Saturday, September 21, 2019.

VII. Meeting Schedule for FY 19-20:

All Meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of every other month at 9:30 a.m. @ the Children’s Services Council of Broward unless otherwise announced.

October 2, December 4, February 5, April 1, June 3, August 5

VIII. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**Broward Reads Coalition - Campaign for Grade Level Reading
Meeting Minutes
October 2, 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, Kimberlee Reid, Megan Turetsky, Yolanda Meadows (CSC of Broward County); Commissioner Beam Furr, (Co-Chair) & CSC Council Member, Idelma Quintana (Broward County Commission); Lori Canning, Nicole Mancini, Layne Polakoff, Neena Grosvenor (BCPS); Kimberly White (Broward County Libraries); Renee Jaffe, (Co-Chair), Pablo Calvo, Allison Metsch (Early Learning Coalition of Broward County); Cammie Cacace (Memorial Healthcare); Katharine Ospina, Carolina Bosco (HandsOn Broward); Cresha Reid (S. Fl. Institute on Aging); Donna Greene (City of Hollywood); Jorg Hruschka, Zoie Saunders (City of Fort Lauderdale); Meagan Albright (NSU Alvin Sherman Library); Robin Molan (United Way of Broward County); Krsha Sendon (The Children's Movement); Lisa Libidinsky (City of Pembroke Pines); Charles Frishman (Max Scholar); Rob Horton (Barnes and Noble); Tracy Vertus (Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance); Kathy Curtin (Flamingo Gardens); Amanda Smith (Art & Culture Center/Hollywood); Martha Steinkamp (U.S. Dept. of Education); Sherry Beckey (City of Wilton Manors); Cesar Garcia (City of West Park); Tia Major (Literacy Connection); Missi Weinkoff (Museum of Discovery & Science); Alyssa Bodiford (Munchkin Fun); Laura Duksta (Mindful School Int.) and Jonathan Salas (City of Deerfield Beach)

Apologies: Daniel Gohl (BCPS)

I. Welcome and Introductions

Commissioner Beam Furr welcomed participants and led self introductions.

II. Review of August Meeting Minutes

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer seconded by Katharine Ospina and passed with no opposing votes.

III. Updates:

❖ **Early Learning Coalition (ELC) – Allison Metsch**

Broward Reads Achieves Gains (B.R.A.G) Sub-committee update – The committee met and it was great. The discussion was heavily focused on the literacy and best practices with families for the zero to five age group. The next meeting will be November 6th. Emails were sent to everyone on the Broward Reads mailing list. The intention is to bring data to the group to discuss what each municipality looks like in terms of literacy scores and the student population. ELC is now using Tableau which allows them to do deeper analyses of the data (as granular as by to a zip code) to provide more meaningful information to cities. Some speaking/presentation engagements have been scheduled with City Education Advisory Boards to present the data gathered for their respective municipalities.

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

Curriculum, Support and Reading Resources (Guest: Dr. Nicole Mancini) – Department created July 1st 2016 with a focus on creating elementary learning tools/resources that mirror what students and teachers are doing in school, so that parents can help their children at home. These resources are available to the public.

1. *Booklists*: a webpage has been created for all 143 Broward elementary schools which hosts all school booklists from the Kindergarten through 6th grade level. The page is managed at a district level and booklists are readily accessible to the public, sorted by topic and grade level. Pre-K lists are currently being updated. (This was previously only available through Library Media Services Innovative Learning portal). Dr. Mancini manages uploading updates to the lists as they become available.
2. *Read-at-Home Plans*: this resource (available on the district website) allows parents the ability to access a course to assist their children who have been assigned these plans. The course is available in 5 languages – English, Haitian, Creole, Spanish and Portugese. After-care institutions also have access to this, which is also categorized by grade level.
3. *Parent Roadmaps by Grade Level*: to remain in-line with the updated standards, the roadmaps were redone and are available via the website. These will not be mass produced due to cost but will be downloadable. It provides an overview and shows what a child should be learning according to their grade level in the areas of Language Arts & Literacy, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Fine Arts (new), Physcal Education (new), Technology, social & emotional education and Gifted learning. There is also a guide for parents on what/how to ask your child about their day at school.

Dr. Mancini committed to providing informational videos to allow for the information to be shared widely (ELC said the video could be played in their waiting rooms). It was also suggested that index-type cards be created with a snapshot of the information available.

Lori Canning reported that there is much more information available to teachers and staff of Broward county who can sign in to Canvas to access those resources.

Attendance Awareness – Layne Polakoff shared a presentation on behalf of Phillip Shaver. Attendance Awareness month was observed in September. A snapshot of the findings showed that over the past 3 years, the number of children with fewer absences has increased and the number of children with 10 or more absences has decreased. In an effort to make it easier for parents to report absences, an online tool was developed to allow parents/guardians to report absences online via their child(ren)/wards' respective school website.

Partnerships have been formed with the Miami Marlins and Florida Panthers to recognize “good and improved attendance”. These organizations have committed to expand recognition to students with 95% daily attendance or better. An invitation was extended to meeting participants who may want to partner with BCPS on the recognition effort. Persons should contact Phillip Shaver to discuss further.

The student attendance report for 18/19 academic year will be released in October.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer asked what is being done to work with students that fall into the percentile of high absences. Lori Canning responded explaining that attendance is a red flag and is monitored on a regular basis and where a negative pattern is seen social workers reach out. Both ladies agreed there is opportunity for Children’s Services Council to offer support and they will explore further.

❖ **Broward County – Kim White**

Broward County Library – The 32nd Annual Conference on Children’s Literature was successfully staged on September 27th under the theme “*Nurturing our Sense of Community*”. There were 220 registrants and 200 attendees. Key highlights of the day were presentations by Oge Mora (author of “Thank you, Omu” the 2019 Read for the Record book), Angela Dominguez (Pura Belpré Award winner) and Ekua Holmes (Coretta Scott King 3-time illustrator winner). The day’s activities are captured in an album on the Broward County Library Facebook page. Kim White thanked everyone for their support and expressed desire to host the Read for the Record author for next year.

Bean Furr suggested that Broward County schools should ensure that the public libraries have the school booklists to help assure that the libraries have these books available. Kim responded that she has been emailing and working with her colleagues to move that effort forward.

Kim also shared the following updates:

- Library visit Summer numbers increased by 20,000
- Though there were fewer Summer BreakSpot feeding locations, an additional 1,000 children were served this summer
- The theme for 2020 for the national collaborative program is “*Imagine your Story*”
- The Library’s Bears & Books program is underway. The program aims to distribute 2,500 books to VPK. The book this year is “Bear and Duck”
- Storybook Festival is scheduled for November 16th at Southwest Library
- A plan is being developed to systematically expand the number of programs offered as well as training for staff. The hope is that there will be an increase in the number of story times across branches and also an increase in training for staff. To clarify, stories used for story time sessions differ by branch to assure that it matches the demographic of that location.

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

Oge Mora's Visit – Cindy Arenberg Seltzer thanked Kim White and the library for allowing CSC to “piggy back” on bringing Oge Mora for a visit and encouraged everyone to read the book. She shared that the CSC filmed an episode of Future First with her and Naila Bolus from Jumpstart which will soon be available on the CSC YouTube page.

Andrew Leone reported that the visit with Oge went very well. They visited Oriole Elementary school (images were shared with the meeting via CSC’s facebook page). Oge recorded promotional videos to recruit volunteers for Read for the Record.

Layne Kolaff interjected to share that Oge repeatedly expressed how impressed she was with the level of coordination of the efforts of Broward county for the Read for the Record initiative which has been the most organized and largest she’s observed.

Update of Broward Reads Webpage (Andrew Leone) - The Broward Reads page was redesigned for easier navigation. The page also has a listing of all the cities that signed the proclamation with CSC indicating their commitment to take certain actions in support of the literacy in their cities. Cindy Seltzer introduced Megan Turetsky as the Government Affairs Manager of CSC who would be reaching out to the various city officials in effort to assure these are renewed in the coming year.

IV. Broward Reads in Your City Spotlight:

City of Hollywood Little Libraries Expansion – Idelma Quintana on behalf of Donna Greene (had to leave early) – The City of Hollywood had a goal to expand the number of little libraries from 1 to 8 before school reopened. Unfortunately, the target was not met but they were able to open an additional 3 in September and hope to do 6 more before the end of the year at community centers across the city.

A local newspaper is encouraging residents to put little libraries in their front yards. The idea is to have a competition where residents submit an entry with a photo and the story of their family with the library in their front yard and why they decided to do the little library. The winner will appear on the front of that local paper.

V. Partner Updates:

HandsOn Broward – Katie Ospina & Carolina Bosco – Currently working to recruit volunteers to help with the stickering of 40,000 copies of “Thank You, Omu” with the Broward Reads sticker on October 19th, as well as volunteers to read for the Read for the Record event on November 7th.

BCL – Teacher training is underway for them to be the administrators of their reading program. Currently they’re at 50,000 books read and the number is expected to increase.

MODS – The museum wants to grow its Early Childhood program. They will be adding a class called “Little Sprouts” to encourage activities with children and, an Early Childhood classroom will open in January. People with EBT cards can visit the museum for only \$2. There will be an author book signing this weekend

BCPS – Lori Canning – Gulfstream Early Learning Center was awarded the University of Central Florida Community Partnership School grant. They will be highlighted with UCF for their work in strengthening the relationship with the community. On October 19th the 40,000 books for Read for the Record will be sorted at Gulfstream by volunteers between 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Children's Movement - Krsha Sendon – They have rights to certain clips of the “No Small Matters documentary” about early childhood and why it matters and will be sharing throughout the County. Persons interested in hosting a showing, please contact Krsha.

Barnes & Noble – Rob Horton – Starting a new program called Story Design where they are helping teachers introduce a literacy component into a STEM environment. Will be introduced to teachers in the stores and then they'll head out to schools. Program is launching October 12th at 10am and educators receive 25% off between October 5th-13th

City of West Park – Cesar Garcia – In an effort to reduce truancy, the school calendar was shared with BSO officers and if they see children out of school at the time they should be in school, they will ask the child. Truancy rates have dropped. Shoebox for the Homeless program was highlighted by the State as one of 5 winners of the Community Service award. Moving forward a literacy component has been added by placing a book inside shoeboxes before handing them out; A Little Library has been installed at the city's newest park. Work is being done with a sponsor to get Little Libraries installed at Childcare centers. Broward College has partnered with the City to do satellite campus at one of their parks.

City of Dania Beach/Literacy Connection – Dr. Tia Major – The National Family Literacy Celebration will be hosted on November 9th in the City of Dania Beach; Summer camp was successful with 22 children; City of Dania to be added to the list of cities that signed the proclamation

ELC – Pablo Calvo – A special event to read “Thank You, Omu” will be hosted at ELC for approximately 100 persons who won't be able to participate in Read for the Record during the planned hours. The plan is also to feature different soups in keeping with the story in an effort to encourage the spirit of community. The event will be between 4 and 7 pm on November 7th. Interested persons should contact Pablo directly.

Munchkin Fun – Alyssa Bodiford - Munchkin reads was launched this summer. There is a monthly subscription that allows you to download a digital book . There are paid subscriptions available which include drop shipments of books to homes. If there are any books that the committee would like to promote please let them know and they are open to suggestions/recommendations.

BCL – Kim White – There is a local author page on the library website which gives information about how authors can get their work included in collections. The online form needs to be submitted for review. Also, anyone who has created a book in electronic format can load their book to “Biblioboard” and also, persons have access to a third-party called Press Books if they wish to print their works.

So. FI Institute on Aging – Cresha Reid – Inviting community partners to visit their schools to see the work that is being done and see volunteers in action; A Bingo Bash will be hosted on November 20th for those interested, the event can be used as an opportunity to meet the volunteers and staff. An email will be sent with more details; The agency will host a holiday party as an alternative meet and greet opportunity.

VI. Meeting Schedule for FY 19-20:

All Meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of every other month at 9:30 a.m. @ the Children's Services Council of Broward unless otherwise announced.
December 4, February 5, April 1, June 3, August 5

VII. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

TAB Z

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

Agency Capacity Building Committee Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2019
2:00PM

Participants in Attendance: Alana Wortsman, **Jack & Jill Children's Center**; Aneatra King, **Broward Schools**; Angine Moss, **Hosanna 4 Youth**; Bibi Deen, **Children's Harbor**; Brad Barnes, **Poverello Food Pantry**; Brieta Mitchell, **Lucid Heirlooms LLC**; Cara Cerchione; Cerise Sutton, **South Florida Cares Mentoring**; Charinus Davis, **Davie-Cooper City Chamber of Commerce**; Christina Disbrow, **All Write, All Write, All Write**; Dana Cahn, **F.A.C.E.S.**; Darius Daughtry, **Art Prevails Project**; Jackie Vernon-Thompson, **From the Inside Out School of Etiquette**; Jennifer R. Hudson, **Think Beyond Public Relations**; Jessica Abou, **211 Broward**; Jessica Concepcion, **Home Safe**; Jessica Holden, **Community Based Connections**; Jill Cerchione, **Michelle's International Learning House**; Joyce Feldman, **BiG Children's Foundation, Inc**; Julie Angulo, **Up2Us Sports**; Karen Flowers, **Broward Children's Center**; Kerry- Ann Brown, **Guardian ad Litem Program**; Lea Murray, **Collaborising, Inc.**; Leah Brown, **Voices for Children of Broward County**; Lisa Manns, **Katallage House**; Lola Walker, **Credit Solutions Program**; Marcia Pinck, **Mental Health America of SE Florida**; Maria Vo, **FLITE Center**; Mary Monahan Whyte, **Canine Assisted Therapy, Inc.**; Mary Rowland, **Credit Solution Programs**; Nyam Smith, **Children's Home Society**; Pamella Reid, **Dream Catchers for the Soul Foundation**; Robert Landers; Sally Berenzweig **KidSafe Foundation**; Sarah deBoer-Hjort, **Necessities for Children**; Shaba Kojo Jua Kanuri, **Shoolay, Inc.**; Sylvia Johnson, **TP Services**; Yessenia Hernandez, **PACE Center for Girls**.

Panel: Hope Diaz, **Castle Group/Executive Assistant to the Founder/CEO**; Colleen Lockwood, **Women of Tomorrow/National Vice President of Development**; Krissy Webb, **Student ACES/Executive Director**; Rachel Ramjattan, **Nonprofit Plus & Network for Good**.

Staff in Attendance: Sandra Bernard-Bastien, Roxanne Smith and Katrina Welch

Agenda:

I. Welcome and Self Introductions:

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. by Ms. Sandra Bernard-Bastien, CSC Chief Communications Officer. Ms. Bernard-Bastien welcomed everyone to the Children's Services Council and explained the purpose of the ACB meeting is to bring non-profits together to network, learn from each other and learn about resources that are available in Broward County.

II. Approval of the Minutes:

Ms. Bernard-Bastien invited all in attendance to review the minutes from the previous ACB meeting held on May 22, 2019. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Roxanne Smith, seconded by Ms. Sarah deBoer-Hjort and passed with no opposing votes.

III. Featured Local Resource:

Ms. Bernard-Bastien introduced Sandra Veszi-Einhorn, Executive Director of the CCB (The Coordinating Council of Broward and Non-Profit Executive Alliance of Broward). Ms. Veszi-Einhorn shared her story of how she became involved in the non-profit industry. The knowledge gained opened doors for leadership in the non-profit sector. Ms. Veszi-Einhorn highlighted the Non-Profit Executive Alliance and its focus on three core things: Advocacy, Education and Collaboration to benefit non-

profits. A safe space is created for CEO's and Executive Directors to discuss sensitive issues. The new Executive Director Support group launches next week and will be held twice a month. The group will focus on the challenges of being an Executive Director. For interested non-profits, membership dues are based on the budget. Scholarship programs are available if funding is a problem.

IV. Collaborating with Corporate Sponsors.

Ms. Bernard-Bastien and Ms. Roxanne Smith introduced the panelists: Hope Diaz, Castle Group/ Executive Assistant to the Founder/CEO; Colleen Lockwood, Women of Tomorrow/National Vice President of Development; Krissy Webb, Student ACES/Executive Director; Rachel Ramjattan, Non-profit Plus & Network for Good. The audience interacted with the panel by means of questions or expressing their concerns as it relates to collaborating with corporate sponsors and capacity building. Some of the questions asked were:

- Why is funding non-profits and social services agencies important to the business community?
- Why is it important for non-profits to know their target market?
- Why should non-profits communicate the value they bring to the community?

The panelists shared their experiences and the importance of understanding their target audience, communicating the value of their non-profit and collaborating with corporate sponsors. To close out the panel discussion Ms. Bernard-Bastien thanked everyone for attending and the panel members for sharing their valuable experiences and advice.

V. Closing

Meeting adjourned at 4:00.

Funder's Forum - Meeting Summary August 2, 2019

<p>Members Present: Adamma DuCille, Children's Services Council (CSC); Angelika Schlanger, The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation; Darrell Cunningham, Broward County Community Partnership Division; Dawn Liberta, Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF); Julie DeMar, ChildNet; Keyonia Lawson, CSC; Maria Hernandez, United Way; Maria Juarez Stouffer, CSC; Monica King, Broward Healthy Start Coalition (BHSC); Renee Jaffe, Early Learning Coalition (ELC); Renee Podolsky, (DCF), Angelica Rosas, Community Foundation of Broward; Elida Segrera, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC)</p>	
<p>Guests: Danny Blanco, WestCare Foundation / Village South</p>	
Topic	Discussion
Welcome and Introductions	<p>Maria J. welcomed members and guest, and introductions were made.</p>
Approval of Minutes	<p>Maria J. asked the committee to review the June 7, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion was made by Monica K. to approve the June 7, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dawn L. with no opposing votes.</p>
Welcome Dr. Angelika Schlanger	<p>Maria J. introduced new member Dr. Angelika Schlanger, Community Relations and Program Manager at Fredrick A. DeLuca Foundation. Angelika provided some background about the Foundation and how it was founded in 1997 by the late Fred DeLuca, co-founder of the global Subway restaurant chain. The Foundation supports charitable programs that empower people to lead healthy and productive lives. Under their broad umbrella of education, the Foundation focuses its giving in Arts Outreach, Workforce Development, Youth Development, Community Health, and Medical Research. The Foundation is new to Fort Lauderdale where they hope to make a significant regional impact. Their headquarters are based in Connecticut.</p>
WestCare Foundation / Village South (Formerly Susan B. Anthony) Services and REACH Program	<p>Maria J. welcomed Danny Blanco, Interim Director of Outpatient and Residential for WestCare Foundation / Village South, formerly known as Susan B. Anthony Recovery Center. Maria J. reminded members of the history of Susan B. Anthony and asked Danny B. to give some background about the Village South and provide an update.</p> <p>Danny B. explained that WestCare Foundation / Village South began in 1973 as a mental health provider in Dade County and as of April 8, 2019 they have expanded to Broward and are providing services in the Susan B. Anthony location. When they began offering services they stopped taking new admissions to stabilize the environment and help clients transition to their service model. They are now fully operational and are taking new clients.</p> <p>WestCare Foundation / Village South provides a wide spectrum of health and human services in both residential and outpatient environments. Their services include substance abuse and addiction treatment, homeless and runaway shelters, domestic violence treatment and prevention, and mental health programs. These services are available to adults, children, adolescents, and families. They also specialize in helping people traditionally considered difficult to treat, such as those who are indigent, have multiple disorders, or are involved with the criminal justice system.</p>

	<p>WestCare Foundation / Village South is currently renovating the hospital facility that is in the same complex. It will be a 200 bed, detox residential and transitional housing facility. They brought their medical teams from Dade County to Broward County, but their administrative office will remain in Miami.</p>
<p>Follow-up from June 7, 2019 Meeting</p>	<p><u>Funder & Provider Group Conversations Re: Understanding the Challenges of Unit Contracts</u> Maria J. spoke about the 2 meetings that took place on June 21st and July 9th with approximately 40 people in attendance from CSC funded programs New DAY (New Diversion Alternative Youth) and Family Supports. The option to add additional units of service was offered to the providers, such as a self-care unit of service and a training unit of service. The vast majority of the providers did not want additional units which they would have to track and enter into SAMIS. Also discussed was the option to allow for the 12% administrative costs allowed in the contracts to be billed as cost reimbursement. A few providers expressed a preference for cost reimbursement for administrative expenses, but the vast majority wanted the administrative expenses to be rolled into the unit of service rate, as it is now. It appeared that direct service and supervisory level staff would benefit from one-on-one meetings with their contract manager / program manager to explain a unit of service contract, and how to track utilization. CSC program managers will be offering these one-on-one meetings to their assigned providers in the first quarter of FY 19/20.</p> <p><u>Center for Mind-Body Medicine’s (CMBM) Comprehensive Wellness Program</u> Maria J. provided an update about the CMBM training that occurred in June, 2018. Maria J. reported that CSC now has a cadre of approximately 35 facilitators who completed the 2-week CMBM training in June. These facilitators will be offering CMBM groups in NW and NE Broward county. The 35 trained facilitators will be offering free 8-week groups. Each session is approximately 2 hours long and will serve 8-10 participants. The 35 facilitators will pair up and provide these groups in teams of 2 facilitators. They will also receive ongoing weekly supervision from CMBM staff while they are facilitating the groups. Maria J. asked members to let her know if they knew of a free location in NE Broward where an 8-week group can be offered.</p> <p>Maria J. explained that participants receive on-going training from CMBM and then after two years they can become certified in CMBM, if they attend another set of trainings. CSC would like to bring CMBM back to Broward during the summer of 2020 for the second series of trainings. The challenge is that there will need to be additional funding. Maria J. will reach out to members to see who would be interested in attending and possibly help provide funding. Members asked for additional information about CMBM. Maria J. will send links of CMBM’s videos to members.</p> <p><u>Develop Community-Wide Suicide Prevention Plan</u> Elida S. provided an update to members on BBHC, United Way’s and CSC’s work to develop a community-wide suicide prevention plan. The committee has contracted with the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) to provide technical assistance. They have started receiving assistance from Dr. April Foreman who is the representative from AAS. She suggested that the community start to focus on wellness and trauma. The next planning meeting will be scheduled at the beginning of September.</p> <p>Maria H. mentioned that there is also work being done to improve the connection between the Children’s Strategic Plan behavioral health committees to better align with the BBHC system of care initiatives and to develop a feedback loop to the BBHC.</p>

	<p>Renee P. mentioned that in the past 4 years DCF has worked very hard with the schools to bring down suicide numbers. They found that it was critical to also focus on those thinking about committing suicide as well as the ones that commit suicide. She does not want to lose focus on those children. Renee P. suggested focusing on those that show up in the emergency rooms. Darrell C. suggested speaking with social workers and case managers to see if they are working with those that have attempted. It was also suggested to look at suicide dates and times to see if they coincide with holidays.</p> <p><u>BBHC Stakeholder Survey</u> Elida S. spoke to members about BBHC’s Stakeholder Survey. She explained that once a year they need to have one person per organization complete the survey. The purpose of the survey is to know what the community’s needs are, so they can plan for what funding they will request for 2021. If there is a current need now and they are not aware of it BBHC can’t address it for the next 3 years.</p>
<p>Update on Current Projects (i.e., Recently Awarded Procurements)</p>	<p><u>Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF)</u> Renee P. announced that DCF received the grant for Florida’s Opioid State Targeted Response Project to address the opioid crisis by providing evidence-based prevention, medication-assisted treatment, and recovery support services. The four goals of this proposal include reducing opioid-related deaths, preventing prescription opioid misuse among young people, increasing the number of individuals trained to provide medication-assisted treatment and recovery support services, and increasing access to medication-assisted treatment among individuals with opioid use disorders. Broward will receive \$3 million a year. They are expecting to receive the notice in mid-August and they hope to begin services in September.</p> <p><u>Broward County</u> Darrell C. announced that the County closed out their fiscal year. They released procurements for Rapid Rehousing, Behavioral Health Services and Support for Youth Employment. Darrell C. will share more information after they announce the awardees.</p> <p>On Sunday, August 4th, the County will post a notice about their HUD bonus project to support housing as well as finalize the procurement for Ryan White services, as the contract will sunset in February 2020.</p> <p>Darrell C. announced that he had a meeting with Healthy Mothers / Healthy Babies and they have seen an upward trend of referrals in the Mahogany program. They now have some stabilization with their staff, and the last three months of utilization spending has increased.</p> <p><u>Early Learning Coalition (ELC)</u> Renee J. announced that June 30th was the end of ELC’s fiscal year. ELC received funding to enroll additional children off the wait list beginning July 1st. She mentioned that for many years the wait list barely moved, but now they are at a point that they are enrolling at a nice pace and are encouraging partners to notify parents. Staff are now enrolling children into Voluntary Pre-K and have the equipment to conduct enrollments on site. Renee J. asked members to reach out and encourage families that could be eligible to get on their school readiness wait list for children ages 0 to 5. Older siblings up to age 12 can also be enrolled.</p>

	<p>Renee J. also announced that the child care center located in Oakland Park was shut down for investigation after the death of a 2-year old who was left in the transport van all day. The program was known to ELC as serving families who receive a school readiness subsidy. There were 50 children that attended that center. ELC has contacted the families and assisted in moving the children to different locations. ELC is awaiting the investigation outcome from the Sheriff's office.</p>
<p>Upcoming Procurements/ Partnerships/ Leverage Opportunities/ Common Funding Initiatives</p>	<p><u>Children's Services Council</u> Maria J. announced that CSC is continuing to work on the Positive Youth Development (PYD) RFP scheduled to be released in October, 2019. This RFP will serve at-promise middle and high school youth during out-of-school time. They are currently conducting focus groups and will soon ask for rater participation.</p> <p>Adamma D. announced the CSC released their Capacity Building Mini-Grants and held a successful Capacity Building Boot Camp on Wednesday, July 31st. Turnover, burn-out, resiliency and self-care were the main topics discussed. She thanked members for their support and spreading the word, and asked members to email her at aducille@cscbroward.org if anyone has ideas for the capacity building arena to help find ways to fill in the gaps.</p> <p>Darrell C. suggested an on-board training that focuses on guiding new providers after they receive funding. Adamma D. suggested the "Grant Writing 101 and 102" and the "Now that you have the grant what to do" trainings. Adamma D. also suggested the possibility of developing a spin-off to include larger funders like United Way and the County and create touch points with funders to include more engagement to get funders and the awardees to be on same page and give providers some time to meet outcomes. Maria J. and Adamma D. will meet to discuss further.</p> <p>Angelika S. asked members if there has been efforts or discussions to track outcomes across funders. Maria J. explained that there have been discussions and efforts put forward in the past. Maria J. will bring it to CSC's Research and Evaluation Department.</p>
<p>Legislative Updates</p>	<p>During the June 7th meeting, Silvia Q. asked members to support the MIR (Mothers in Recovery) legislative bill. It was announced that the bill was passed, and the grant was doubled. This bill will help pregnant mothers detox before they give birth so that children are substance free.</p>
<p>Training Needs and News</p>	<p>During the June 7th meeting, there was a suggestion to hold United Way's Crisis Training for Foster Parents at ChildNet. There have been on-going conversations between United Way and ChildNet.</p>
<p>Additional Updates</p>	<p>During the June 7th meeting, members spoke about the change in times and how millennials are all about work life balance and not necessarily about the salary, the challenge of the baby boomers retiring, and its effects on non-profit organizations. Dawn L. announced that Career Source is working on the topic of millennials in the workplace and are including specific trainings. Dawn L. will follow up with Career Source and provide and update during the October meeting.</p> <p>Maria J. asked members if they have any agenda items to include for the October meeting, to please send them to Keyonia at klawson@cscbroward.org.</p>

<p>Next Steps, Tasks & Follow-up</p>	<p>✓ Next Steps & Follow-up;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Millennial's in the Work Place and Career Source — Suicide Prevention Plan — Maria J. to meet with Adamma to discuss on-boarding trainings for providers. — Maria to meet with CSC's Research and Development Department regarding community outcomes. — Maria to send links to CMBM Video's to members.
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 3:50 P.M.</p>
	<p>Next Meeting: <u>October 4, 2019</u> @ 2:00 P.M. @ United Way of Broward County, Mission United Building, 1300 South Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316</p>



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Broward County Board of County Commissioners
Children's Services Board
Regular Board Meeting Minutes August 16, 2019
Governmental Center Annex, Room A337
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

1. Call to Order

Ms. Swartzbaugh, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Ms. Swartzbaugh, Chair, asked Ms. Evans, Vice Chair, to call roll. A quorum was established with Sandra Einhorn, Cassandra Evans, Kim Gorsuch, Dr. Antoine Hickman, Vice-Mayor Dale Holness, Monica King, Commissioner Robert Mayersohn, Julia Musella, Paige Patterson-Hughes, Daniel Schevis, Paula Smith, Karen Swartzbaugh and Allicia Walford. Lori Alhadeff, and Dr. Andrea Keener participated via phone. Members absent: Pastor Andrew-Craig Nugent and Joel Smith.

Staff Members in attendance: Mandy Wells, Human Services Deputy Director, Darrell Cunningham, Community Partnerships Division (CPD) Director, Silvia Beebe, CPD Assistant Division Director, Karen Gordon, County Attorney's Office, Orlando Garcia, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Deborah Meidinger Hosey, Children's Services Administration (CSA), Tamika McBride, CSA, Deborah Scott, CSA, Anna Gibbs, CSA, and Jose Melendez, Homeless Initiative Partnership.

Guests in attendance: Billie Morgan, 2-1-1 Broward, Shawn Preston, ARC Broward, Pablo Calvo, Early Learning Coalition of Broward, and Maria Maya, Jack and Jill Children's Center.

9:07 a.m. Commissioner Robert Mayersohn arrived.

3. Approval of the June 14, 2019 Minutes

MOTION: To approve the June 14, 2019 minutes.

First: Monica King

Second: Cassandra Evans

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

4. Executive Committee Report

Ms. Swartzbaugh reminded the Board of a motion that was passed at the June 14, 2019 CSB Meeting to empower the Executive Committee to support the recommended Provider's for Children's Services Administration's Request For Proposal (RFP). The proposed service is Employment Support Services for youth who are, or were involved in the Juvenile Justice System. Ms. Swartzbaugh asked Ms. Hosey to give the Board some additional information on the provider.

Ms. Hosey informed the Board that AMIkids is the Provider recommended based upon the procurement process and that staff is working on drafting the contract. The recommended funding amount is \$438,270. Employment Support Services will be for youth who have past or current involvement with the Juvenile Justice System. Ms. Hosey noted that 50% of the funding will be dedicated strictly for employment wages for the youth.

9:15 a.m. Julia Musella arrived.

5. 2-1-1 Presentation

Ms. Morgan gave an overview of the services that 2-1-1 Broward provides to the community. The agency has several collaborations and partnerships that offer great opportunities to share information. Ms. Morgan shared that 2-1-1 services are provided throughout the country, however, all services are not alike. The services are available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Some of the services offered by 2-1-1 Broward include: Crisis Prevention, Supportive Listening, Assessment Information and Referrals, Follow-up and Advocacy. Ms. Morgan shared that the public can communicate with them through telephone calls, text messaging and web page chat. Ms. Morgan answered questions related to staff training, tracking issues and the client follow-up process.

9:32 a.m. Vice-Mayor Dale Holness arrived.

6. School Board of Broward County (SBBC) School Counseling Program Update

Dr. Hickman provided an update on the Family Counseling Program. He answered questions relating to the number of students receiving services for the past several years and the names of schools where students receive services. Dr. Hickman listed several reasons for referrals to the program. He also spoke about how many charter schools provide services through the Family Counseling Program. He shared that children involved have a treatment

plan which contains specific goals for the student and their family. This treatment plan is monitored throughout treatment.

7. Chair Report

Ms. Swartzbaugh reminded the Board that this is an election year for the Officers and asked for volunteers to serve on the Nomination Committee. Ms. Swartzbaugh gave an overview of the process. The Nomination Committee will meet once in September and bring the recommendations back to the Board at the next scheduled meeting. The new Officers will begin their two-year term in January 2020. Mr. Schevis was appointed to serve as the Committee Chair, Vice-Mayor Holness will serve as Vice Chair, Monica King and Joel Smith will also serve on the committee.

Ms. Smith provided an overview of the new Wireless Communication While Driving Statute that passed in Florida. Ms. Smith shared that texting while driving is now a primary offense. The first offense will be a fine plus court costs, after the second offense within five years, three points will be applied on your license. Drivers may receive six points if they cause a crash or injury, and an additional two points if cited in a school or work zone. The fines will cost between \$100 and \$200 depending on the offense.

Ms. Swartzbaugh shared that the CSA contract renewal process has changed. Option periods will not automatically start at the original contract amount as in previous years, instead, the renewal amount will be based on the utilization trend of the previous fiscal year. The process intent is to right-size the contracts and reduce the number of times contracts are adjusted throughout the year.

8. Section Report

Ms. Hosey presented a spreadsheet with all Providers being funded by CSA in Fiscal Year (FY) 2020. The spreadsheet contained: provider name, program, original contract amount, re-allocated contract amount, expended year-to-date (YTD), YTD utilization for original contract and YTD utilization for re-allocated contracts for FY17, FY18, and FY19. After reviewing the data, the following FY20 contract allocation motions were made:

Page 1 of FY20 Contract Allocation Spreadsheet

MOTION: To approve page one, lines 1 through 22, of the FY20 Contract Allocation recommendations.

First: Commissioner Robert Mayersohn

Second: Monica King

Declaration of Conflict: Sandra Einhorn with ARC, Center for Hearing and Communication, Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center, and Early Learning Coalition; Cassandra Evans with Covenant House; Karen Swartzbaugh with Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center and Early Learning Coalition

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Page 2 of FY20 Contract Allocation Spreadsheet

MOTION: To approve page two, line 23 thru 42, of the FY20 Contract Allocation

First: Cassandra Evans

Second: Commissioner Robert Mayersohn

Declaration of Conflict: Sandra Einhorn with Harmony Development Center, Henderson Behavioral Health, JAFCO, Legal Aid Services of Broward County, and Kids in Distress Inc.

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Page 3 of FY20 Contract Allocation Spreadsheet

MOTION: To approve page three, line 43 thru 51, of the FY20 Contract Allocation

First: Commissioner Robert Mayersohn

Second: Lori Alhadeff

Declaration of Conflict: Sandra Einhorn with SunServe, School Board of Broward County, Florida, YWCA of Greater Miami Dade, Inc. and United Cerebral Palsy of Broward County, Inc.; Lori Alhadeff, Monica King, and Dr. Antoine Hickman with SBBC, Florida; Cassandra Evans with Sunshine Social Services (SunServe).

Opposed: Sandra Einhorn opposed the YWCA of Greater Miami Dade, Inc.

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

MOTION: To extend the meeting by fifteen minutes

First: Commissioner Robert Mayersohn

Second: Daniel Schevis

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

9. Committee Liaisons/Chair's Report

a) **Advocacy:** Ms. Einhorn shared the Advocacy Committee Members brainstormed legislative items that the Board should formally support. Ms. Einhorn also encouraged members to meet with their County Commissioner to educate them about the CSB and brief them on issues related to the CSB. After a brief discussion, the following motions were made:

MOTION 1: Support advocacy related to Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) funding and policy support for changes in the testing from VPK to kindergarten

First: Sandra Einhorn

Second: Cassandra Evans

Declaration of Conflict: Karen Swartzbaugh with Early Learning Coalition

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

MOTION 2: Support policies around healthcare for students, both increased access and funding

First: Sandra Einhorn

Second: Cassandra Evans

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

MOTION 3: Support funding for building a new Detention Center

First: Sandra Einhorn

Second: Monica King

Declaration of Conflict: Cassandra Evans works for the Department of Juvenile Justice and Paula Smith works for Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO)

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

MOTION 4: Support BSO's statutory changes regarding funding of the BSO Communication System

First: Sandra Einhorn

Second: Monica King

Declaration of Conflict: Paige Patterson-Hughes work for the Department of Children and Families and Paula Smith works for BSO

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Ms. Einhorn left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

- b) **Behavioral Health/SEDNET:** No report was given.
- c) **Integrated System:** Ms. Evans announced that the next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2019 at Children's Services Council.
- d) **Juvenile Justice Circuit 17:** Ms. Evans shared that on July 1, 2019, the new detention screening instrument changed and is working well. The Department continues to advocate for clarification of the Civil Citation Program as well as change in staff.
- e) **Needs Assessment:** Commissioner Robert Mayersohn shared that staff presented a proposed new way to report on utilization trends. The report will be separated into service categories and not individual agencies. The Committee made suggestions on the new tool and discussed updating the current CSB Strategic Plan.
- f) **SNAC:** Commissioner Robert Mayersohn shared that SNAC 2.0 is rolling out. The new focus will be on policy, systems and environmental changes that are data driven. It will also focus on being financially practical and address disparities and inequities in the community.
- g) **Transitional Independent Living:** No report was given. |

10. Old Business

Ms. Swartzbaugh reviewed the upcoming presentations: Dates for United Way of Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse; Wrap Around and Census presentations are still being finalized.

11. Public Comments

No Comments from the Public.

12. Good of the Order

Members shared that on August 21, 2019, the State Board is holding an open hearing on the VPK issue at Broward College. It was also mentioned that Senator Rader's office is working on a bill to assist disadvantaged businesses.

13. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

First: Commissioner Robert Mayersohn

Second: Daniel Schevis

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

The next Children's Services Board Meeting will be Friday, September 20, 2019.

These minutes were approved at the Children's Services Board Meeting dated September 20, 2019, as certified by:

Pastor Andrew-Craig Nugent _____
Children's Services Board Secretary

CSC In The NEWS

South Florida 100: U.S. House launches impeachment inquiry against President Trump; protecting LGBTQ community from discrimination; gun violence prevention



Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president, Children's Services Council of Broward County

Last week: I was appalled to read that two six-year-old children in Orlando were arrested, put in handcuffs, taken to the juvenile detention center, finger-printed and had their mug shots taken because they acted out in school. You don't have to be an expert in trauma or child development to know that this is no way to treat a child! When a child that age is acting out there are much better ways to handle it than treating them like a criminal and inflicting potentially long-lasting trauma. The school and the School Resource Officer clearly need training in the evidence-based practice of Positive Behavior Support.



Sandra Bernard-Bastien, chief communications officer, Children's Services Council of Broward County

Looking ahead: The peak of the 2019 Atlantic hurricane season has supposedly passed, but tropical systems have continued to develop with no sign of stopping. So far, there have been 13 tropical depressions, 12 tropical storms, four hurricanes and two major hurricanes this season. There are three storms currently churning across the Atlantic

Ocean and according to the latest spaghetti models are potentially on a course to collide. Now is not the time to get complacent. Unfortunately, we all still need to remain alert, ready and weather vigilant. Mother Nature has a funny way of showing us who is really in charge.

Source: <https://www.sun-sentinel.com/opinion/south-florida-100/fl-op-sf100-online-version-week-of-twenty-ninth-september-20190927-kbfqvsnfand25mj376wi3ni2kq-story.html>

FutureMakers: SWFL must confront institutional racism, income inequality

David Dorsey, Fort Myers News-Press Published 4:00 p.m. ET Sept. 26, 2019 | Updated 7:24 p.m. ET Sept. 26, 2019



Tessa LeSage did a bit of a dance upon taking the microphone for her turn to inspire a group of about 150 Southwest Florida community leaders uniting as the “FutureMakers Coalition.”

But then LeSage, the director of social innovation and sustainability for the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, delivered an immense challenge to the employers and educators on hand. The group has set a goal to boost the percentage of regional college or secondary degree holders from 38% to 55% within the next six years.

“We’re going to talk numbers, and some of the numbers aren’t that great,” LeSage said Thursday morning at the Collaboratory near downtown Fort Myers at Future Makers’ annual “breakfast of champions.”



Sue Gallagher, of the Children's Services Council of Broward County, leads a discussion on racism and implicit racial bias on Thursday during the FutureMakers Coalition event at the Collaboratory in Fort Myers. (Photo: Kin fay Moroti/The News-Press USA Today Network-Florida)

In 2013, about 37% of the five-county region had secondary degrees. In 2018, that percentage had nudged upward to 38%, a gain of 21,059 college degree holders to 594,000, according to a 2018 report.

"We have to add 150,000 more degrees to get to 55% by 2025," LeSage said. She then returned her tone to upbeat. "I think we can do it. But the system has to change."

For more than four hours, the audience listened to and participated with topics of what some of the speakers labeled as "uncomfortable."

Topics such as institutional racism, addressed by Sue Gallagher of the Children's Services Council of Broward County, and income equality, addressed by FGCU President Mike Martin, were among them.

Martin urged those in the room to spend an hour people-watching off Fifth Avenue in Naples and then driving to Immokalee and doing the same. Or from Sanibel Island to Lehigh Acres. Or from West Palm Beach to Belle Glade.

"The distance is short, but the gulf is enormous," Martin said of the economic disparity. "This is an issue we have to address. How can we give every student in this community, regardless of background, the best jump-start we can to get them in the system?"

Florida has three of the 20 wealthiest zip codes in the nation, Martin said, naming 33109 (Fisher Island, Miami), 33480 (Mar-a-Lago, Palm Beach) and 34102 (Naples), noting they are near some of the poorest.

“We’re focused on the notion that we can keep our graduates in the workforce here, then we can make some changes here,” Martin said.

Gallagher then delivered her presentation that focused on racism. She gave a brief history lesson, looking at Bacon’s Rebellion in 1674, which developed the slave codes and message that black slaves were not human. She described how it took almost 200 years to reach the Civil War in 1861-65 and ended with the “black codes,” or Jim Crow laws, which developed the message that black Americans should be separate from whites. Then she looked at the ensuing 100 years, which led to Civil Rights legislation of 1964. By no means did these new laws end systemic racism, she said.

“How could those plantation owners sleep at night?” Gallagher said. “And the answer is they were taught that blacks were not human. And this is a part of who we are. All of our systems, all of our institutions grew up under Jim Crow.

“Racism is like a virus. You shoot it with antibiotics, it gets better.”

Gallagher issued a challenge to the leaders in the audience: to spark uncomfortable but civil conversations about racism with others in the community.



Bill Barker, president The News-Press and the Naples Daily News, discusses racism and implicit racial bias on Thursday during the FutureMakers Coalition event at the Collaboratory in Fort Myers. (Photo: Kin fay Moroti/The News-Press USA Today Network-Florida)

"I want to thank this coalition for getting these conversations started," said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, who facilitated a roundtable discussion related to those topics with Gallagher.

Other topics included employment. The average annual wage of \$42,114 lags behind Florida's average of \$47,779 and \$55,331 across the country, said Debbie Psihountas of Florida Southwestern State College, who addressed workforce dynamics along with Chris Westley and Aysegul Timur of FGCU and John Meyer of Hodges University.

Lawyers, nurses and teachers are among the vocations with the highest opportunity for employment in the region, Timur said.

One challenge moving forward will be for adapting to the loss of jobs to robotics and automated computer systems, which are taking away from jobs in banking, food service and other industries, said Kathy McDonald of Florida College Access Network.

"Our mission is to prepare today's students for tomorrow's jobs," she said.

John Talmage, director of Lee County economic development, concluded with the urgency and hope for more diversity of employers in the region. He noted the "Publix phenomenon," that there are no Publix grocery stores fronting U.S. 41 between the Caloosahatchee River and Alico Road, the longest such stretch between there and Tampa.

"We have a strong, east-west nexus," Talmage said. "So even though our communities are organized east and west, our investments are organized north and south."

Talmage also noted that of 65,000 jobs in the City of Fort Myers, only 12% of them are filled by residents of the city.

"These are realities that can help create opportunities," Talmage said.

The conversations, ideas and the statistics discussed Thursday would reach a wider range of other community leaders who weren't in the room via dialogue from those who were, LeSage said.

"I think today demonstrated how you can make more progress when we work together," LeSage said. "We came to have conversations about systems changing. People want to have that conversation. That creates an energy that will hopefully lead to more people discussing this. It takes a lot of effort to bring people together like this."

Source:

<https://www.news-press.com/story/news/local/2019/09/26/futuremakers-swfl-must-change-institutional-racism-income-inequality/2388987001/>

A Community Conversation Confronts Race and Racism

By TOM FLANIGAN • SEP 24, 2019

More than 300 people, including most of the Capital City's government and organizational leaders, jammed the Civic Center ballroom on the afternoon of Monday, Sept. 23. What followed was two hours of tough talk on race.

The speaker was Broward County Children's Services Council Innovation Officer Dr. Sue Gallagher. She had drawn raves during her presentation at last May's Children's Summit in Tallahassee and had been invited back for a much longer talk about racism and how to overcome it. She told the audience that two simple facts about Tallahassee were clear signs that embedded racism exists.

"You are home to the poorest zip code in Florida. You are also home to the area that has the lowest social mobility for children in poverty."

Gallagher based her talk around some key concepts.

"What is this historical and structural racism and how does it relate to my work, my community and my own consciousness and psyche?" she posited. "So when I walk out of here, I have a couple of things on my to-do list that I can begin to be a part of this anti-racist change."

She cited examples of how racism manifests itself in specific outcomes. In education:

"There exist racial disparities in your educational system," she asserted. "Ninety-six percent of white students graduated, only 89% of black students graduated. That sort of system outcome is not the result of an individual student's or family's decision or behavior. Something in the system is producing this racial disparity."

Similarly for the criminal justice system:

“While blacks are only 32% of the population, they are 81% of the youth arrested in this community. That’s a gross disproportionality!”

There was constant audience input and feedback during the session. In response to Gallagher's question "What is racism?" responses included Kwame Manuel's:

“Different systems that put people down, particularly people of color that white folks are able to get easily because of their skin,” he speculated.

Jason Flom suggested this definition:

“Racism is effectively an equation; power plus prejudice equals racism.”

Gallagher had this reply to those who assert that the days of institutionalized racism vanished with the passage of the Civil Rights Act in 1964.

“Two questions:” she said. “Where are we following all the rules and people are still being hurt? And where is there inaction in the face of need? Just take those 2 questions, go back to your job and you will start unearthing institutional racism.”



Dr. Sue Gallagher makes a point from the podium during the community conversation.

And Gallagher closed out her remarks with some attitude and behavioral adjustment homework, both for those perpetuating racism and those suffering from it. Among the many local elected officials in the audience, Leon County School Superintendent Rocky Hanna and nearly the entire School Board, including Darryl Jones.

“It is because as a school board we wanted to be enlightened and knowledgeable about the racial impact of our decisions. That’s why we want to provide uplift for our Title One schools. We realize that we have to have these types of conversations and be exposed, so we made a point to purposefully be here.”

There were also some Leon County Commissioners and Tallahassee City Commissioners. One of them was Diane Williams Cox.

“I already put the call out for a host for our next step meeting,” she said afterward. “I already got a call from someone who’s willing and has the capacity for 300 people. So we have not because we ask not. That’s why I like to ask and not assume that it’s not going to happen. Let’s make it happen and ask for help!”

There’s no word yet on the date of that follow-up meeting.

Source: <https://news.wfsu.org/post/community-conversation-confronts-race-and-racism>

Spark Your Child's imagination with Art Activities for Kids

By admin - September 20, 2019



Give a child a set of crayons and a sheet of paper, and watch their imagination light up. Even the most active child enjoys slowing down and engaging with these tools of creative self-expression. That is why art activities for kids form an integral part of the social and academic development of all children.

Dr. Timothy Leistner, former Programs Manager at Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC), says art remains a valuable tool children. For kids, art becomes a way to learn storytelling. "It's amazing how they layer the story on the same canvas," says Dr. Leistner. "They may start with a house or playground on a sunny day with grass, flowers, children and adults. Then suddenly they may overlay approaching clouds to tell the story of a storm coming. And then they might add rain drops and so on. Even before they learn to read and write, they expand their literacy skills using art."

Engaging Kids Through Art

In Broward County, CSC encourages engagement for kids through many art activities. This includes MOST (Maximizing Out-of-School Time), Youth FORCE (middle school after school), STEP (special needs), and Respite programs. They also provide small-group and individualized art therapy for children with special needs through the Cadenza Center for Psychotherapy and the Arts.

Other programs that use art to address trauma and engage youth in family strengthening and diversion programs are provided through the newly established Eagles' Haven Wellness Center in Coral Springs and the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition, as well as Smith Community Mental Health. At Eagles' Haven in particular, they have brought in a variety of outside vetted resources including art services for their wellness programs.

For more information about art focused programming for children and youth throughout Broward, visit the Arts Education Directory on www.broward.org/Arts/ArtsEducation, maintained by the Broward Cultural Division.

 Art Activities for Kids Children's Services Council of Broward County

Source: <https://www.islandoriginsmag.com/art-activities-for-kids/>



In the Loop September 2019 Edition

Read for the Record

One of the best events of the entire year will be here soon – the annual Read for the Record! **This event brings together millions of people each year in classrooms, libraries and community centers across the U.S. to read the same book on the same day. This year, Read for the Record will be held on Thursday, November 7th.** The current world-record for the most people reading the same book at once is 1.9 million. That record will be broken this year with the help of 40,000 Broward students, bolstered by partner organizations like Broward Reads, the Children’s Services Council, and the School Board of Broward County. For many students, this will be the only book they have – and it is always worth it to make sure students have a book to take home. This year’s book, “Thank You, Omu!” by Oge Mora, which has won both this year’s Caldecott Award and Coretta Scott King Award. I invite everyone to join in and participate! If you are interested in volunteering to read, sign up at handsonbroward.org.



Children's Literature Conference

This month, Broward hosted the 32nd Annual Conference on Children's Literature. This incredible event brought authors, activists, and educators together for a discussion on how we can encourage more young people to read and develop a love of literature from an early age. All the evidence shows that developing early reading skills and literacy is essential to future success. We can start developing those skills by fostering a love of reading in our children through the power of stories. I was excited to see a large, diverse group of authors in attendance at this event, telling stories from an intersectional perspective across demographics. This included a major celebration of Latinx authors for Hispanic Heritage Month. Thank you to everyone who attended!



It was great to meet Angela Dominguez and Oge Mora, two of the exceptional authors featured at the 32nd Annual Children's Literature Conference.

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Anguish still lingers for many after Parkland shooting



By Susannah Bryan / South Florida Sun Sentinel

Posted Sep 29, 2019 at 10:20 PM

PARKLAND, Fla. — This is Parkland's heartbreak more than a year later: A student in pain, haunted by the loss of two friends. A parent in pain, tormented by extreme anxiety. A teacher in pain, plagued by sleepless nights and waves of panic.

All three are finding help and hope at Eagles' Haven, a warm and welcoming healing center that opened in March to give all those affected by last year's mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High a place to gather and just be.

On Feb. 14, 2018, a former student walked onto the Stoneman Douglas campus and shot 34 students and staff, leaving 17 dead.

The shock of the shooting — the gunfire, the screams and the terrifying escape from a school that will never be the same — has worn off. But for many, the scars remain.

After the shooting, an army of therapists descended on Parkland to help students, parents and teachers cope with the trauma. School officials hired an extra 60 mental health experts to help students and quickly opened a resiliency center at Pine Trails Park to offer crisis and grief counseling. The center stayed open for more than a year until it closed on April 1, a week after Eagles' Haven opened.

The new center, staffed by mental health counselors, offers comfort and relief to those who show up.

The Children's Services Council of Broward County funds the center, which costs nearly \$1 million a year in taxpayer money to run. And JAFCO manages day-to-day operations. The Sunrise nonprofit, also known as Jewish Adoption and Foster Care Options, serves abused, neglected and disabled children.

"The point was to create a place that's a safe haven so you can go and feel supported," said Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president and CEO of the Children's Services Council.

"There's many different ways of dealing with trauma, different ways to reach different people."

Eagles' Haven offers a potpourri of wellness classes and support groups designed to help alleviate feelings of trauma and move participants toward a path of healing, Seltzer said.

Eagles' Haven is not a therapy center, say those who run it.

Instead, it's more of a sanctuary where people still recovering from the tragedy can try out all kinds of classes seven days a week — all for free. The menu of classes includes kickboxing, drumming circles, power yoga, graffiti art, tai chi, healthy cooking classes, acupuncture and meditation.

And if someone feels like talking to a counselor, they can do that too, said Sarah Franco, JAFCO's executive director.

So far, more than 800 visitors have gone to Eagles' Haven, located in a busy Coral Springs shopping center at 5655 Coral Ridge Drive. And at least 100 families have gotten referrals to traditional therapists with their own offices.

But officials are hoping more people in need will turn to Eagles' Haven for help, Seltzer said.

"We are happy people are coming," she said. "But there are so many more people we want to reach."

The one-stop wellness center swung into gear one month early after the suicides of two students who survived the Parkland shooting.

Eagles' Haven aims to serve the entire Stoneman Douglas community: current, future and former students; parents and family members; teachers and faculty.

In the lobby, visitors can sink into a comfy couch, sip coffee and have their pick of free snacks.

Each room has a wall dedicated to calming scenes of forests or mountains or clouds with uplifting messages: "The journey of 1,000 miles begins with a single step." "The best views come after the hardest climb." "Once you choose hope, anything is possible."

The student with PTSD

Sara Cardona, now a 17-year-old senior at Stoneman Douglas, said she struggles with PTSD, anxiety and depression.

The Parkland teen was not in school on the day of the shooting, but several of her friends were. Two died in the shooting: Alex Schachter and Gina Montalto. Another, Ashley Baez, was wounded.

"I texted both Ashley and Alex that day," Cardona said. "Ashley eventually got back to me. And Alex never did. I think about that a lot. I was supposed to be in the freshman building, on the third floor."

Cardona did not know Calvin Desir, the 16-year-old boy who died by suicide on March 23. But she was in tears over his death.

"I took it really, really hard," she said. "It made me sad to think we weren't able to be there for him. I think of a lot of us can relate to that feeling of hopelessness."

Two days later, Eagles' Haven opened.

“The first time I went was to just visit and look around and see what it was about,” Cardona said. “Then I went back with my family.”

So far, Cardona has taken the art and kickboxing classes, but she plans to try more.

“It’s nice to be around kids that kind of know what you’re going through,” she said. “I like the sense of community we have and I like the idea of us all bonding together. Just being with people who know what you’re going through helps a lot.”

The teacher with insomnia

English teacher Nadeen Ashman was already heartbroken over the shooting that shattered her school. Then, more than a year later, came the suicide of Desir, one of her favorite students.

“That ripped my heart out,” she said. “I would see him every day. His smiling face. And I blame myself that I didn’t notice any signs.”

At the time, the single mom from Coconut Creek was battling insomnia and anxiety, raising a toddler and a teen, and making no time for self-care.

Then one day in May, she decided to visit Eagles’ Haven with her 2-year-old daughter. The staff, all social workers or mental health counselors, gave her a warm greeting. She went into a private room with one counselor to chat about what was going on in her life.

“I felt very comfortable, like talking to an old friend,” she said. “The ambiance puts you at ease. We sat there for about 30 minutes just talking about how I was coping since the tragedy.”

Ashman returned several times over the summer and meets weekly with one of the center’s counselors, now a trusted confidante.

“We just talk about everything,” Ashman said. “You have a shoulder if you need it. As a teacher you deal with 100 kids today, 100 attitudes. And you take that home. And rarely do we have someone asking us, ‘How are you?’ And at Eagles’ Haven, they ask, ‘Hey, how are you?’”

The anxious mom

Jacqueline Cahill, whose two sons survived the school shooting, wasted no time in visiting Eagles’ Haven.

“Some people took 10 years after (the terrorist attack on) Sept. 11 to realize they needed to go to a wellness center,” said the Coral Springs mom. “I told myself, I am not going to wait 10 years. I am going right away. It is the best place to be for healing.”

Her younger son, now a junior at Stoneman Douglas, saw the bodies of three dead friends right outside his classroom when he walked out of the freshman building that day.

“He was traumatized by the shooting,” Cahill said.

And so was she. Consumed with worry over her son, Cahill began experiencing extreme bouts of panic and anxiety.

Things changed for her when Eagles’ Haven opened.

“It is so nice to have a place to go to where there are other people doing things to try to stay well,” she said. “Now I feel more in touch from within. I just wish everyone would make time for it.”

Cahill has been going to the center five times a week, trying out Zumba and yoga, meditation and kickboxing — even sampling a “cooking with chocolate” class.

For those willing to walk through the door, Eagles’ Haven can be like a home away from home, she says.

That home away from home will be around for awhile.

“We recognize that the community is going to need support for a long time,” Seltzer said. “I expect it to be around for many years to come. As long as there is a need, we’ll be there.”

In addition to classes, Eagles’ Haven includes parent guidance sessions and support groups for students, parents, siblings and teachers; in-home private consultations and crisis support; and private and group walk-ins.

The center is open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends.

Visit www.eagleshaven.org/ for more information.

Source:

<https://www.tuscaloosaneews.com/news/20190929/anguish-still-lingers-for-many-after-parkland-shooting>

Parkland Talk

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Eagles Haven Health and Wellness Center Holds Inspiring

Activities in October

By Sharon Aron Baron on October 1, 2019



Giving those with a connection to Marjory Stoneman Douglas a nurturing place to seek support, Eagles Haven provides a place to rediscover wellness and restore hope.

Made possible by funding from the **Children's Services Council**, the United Way of Broward County and powered by JAFCO, the staff at Eagles Haven are all licensed clinicians. The center has received input from wellness centers around the country that served Sandy Hook, Pulse, Las Vegas and others affected by gun violence.

This month, they offer a wide variety of activities that are free of charge. To sign up, visit www.eagleshaven.org

Wednesday, October 2

Drop-in Time

12 pm – 3 pm
Eagles' Haven Team

Student Study Hall

3 pm – 5 pm
Eagles' Haven Team

Mind-Body Medicine: Teen Series

5 pm – 7 pm
Rebecca Jarquin &
Arielle Schreier
Series currently filled

Parents Break and Breathe

6 pm – 7 pm
Julie Gordon

Thursday, October 3

Get Fit With Terri

(Teachers & Staff)
3:15 pm – 4:15 pm
Teresa Basilone

Relax and Rest Meditation

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Kanchana Ayyar

Student 'Coffee Talk' Group

5:15 pm – 6:15 pm
Eagles' Haven Team

Create Your Own Essential Oil and Body Scrubs

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm
Lucy Martinez
Take some time out for
self-love and self-care

Friday, October 4

Gentle Yoga

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Richelle August

Get a Kick Out of It: Raw Kickboxing

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Raw Kickboxing Fitness

Spoken Word Poetry and Open Mic.

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Lindsay Laufer

Saturday, October 5

MDind-Body Medicine: Adult Series

9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Melissa Rosen &

Shelli Gold

Series currently filled

Get Moving Zumba!

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Dolores Block

Floral Design: ‘Halloween Center Pieces’

1:40 pm – 2:40 pm

Wildflowers of Parkland

Middle School Students Group

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Eagles’ Haven Team

Healthy Brain, Happy Brain: Happiness Coaching

3 pm – 4 pm

Elizabeth Veras

Sunday, October 6

Bagel & Company

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Eagles' Haven Team

Student Study Hall

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Eagles' Haven Team

Smoothie Bike Sunday, Games and Giveaway!

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Eagles' Haven Team

Eagles Haven is located at 5655 Coral Ridge Dr. and serves Coral Springs and Parkland students as well as parents, teachers, and staff of MSD.



Source: <https://parklandtalk.com/eagles-haven-wellness-5617>

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Parkland Commissioner Locked up: Accused of Raising Funds for a Good Cause

By *Jill Fox* on October 3, 2019



Parkland Commissioner Bob Mayersohn is being locked up and needs the community's help to bail him out.

It's all part of the 6th Annual Pony Jail 'n Bale, a fundraising event benefiting Tomorrow's Rainbow, an organization providing grieving children, teens, and their families an emotionally safe environment for hope and healing.

Mayersohn said he knew of Tomorrow's Rainbow prior to the school shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, but there wasn't necessarily a large need for grief counseling locally, so he never really had an opportunity to see what they did. However, after the events of February 14, the organization became a lot more prominent.

“Through compassion and camaraderie, Tomorrow’s Rainbow has provided support to so many of our children that have been affected by the February 14th tragedy,” said Mayersohn.

The annual Western-themed festival held Sunday, October 13, from noon to 3 p.m. includes children’s activities, games, and live music, as well as an annual pie-eating contest, which Mayersohn took part in last year.

“It was a Publix apple pie, and I spent more time actually enjoying it than trying to win the contest.”

At the fundraising event, Mayersohn and Sparky, a four-legged grief counselor, will be “locked up” in a miniature horse stall awaiting donations to “bale” them out. Other local inmates include School Board Member Lori Alhadeff and Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President and CEO of the Children’s Services Council of Broward County.

Abby Mosher created Tomorrow’s Rainbow in 2005, after watching her then seven-year-old son, Dustin, struggle with his father’s death in a car accident. She told the [Sun-Sentinel](#) that she purchased a two-acre property near Tradewinds Park, where her house occupies one corner, and a ranch with farm animals and a dozen miniature horses covers the rest.

With a self-proclaimed fundraising goal of \$2,000, Mayersohn said it’s a great way to have a blast while supporting a very worthwhile cause.

“It’s an organization that really cares about our community and our kids.”

To help “bale” out Commissioner Mayersohn, visit [Tomorrow’s Rainbow](#).

Tickets to the event are \$5 each. Tomorrow’s Rainbow is located at 4341 NW 39th Ave in Coconut Creek.

Source:

<https://parklandtalk.com/parkland-commissioner-among-those-locked-up-for-a-good-cause-5628>



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The 2019 Pinwheels for Prevention award winners have been decided! We would like to thank everyone who helped support our 2019 campaign! Your help made it possible for us to highlight the collective impact of Florida's prevention programs. Florida's children and families deserve our best and through your hard work we are better able to reach communities across Florida.

The 2019 Pinwheels for Prevention award winners are:

Best New Pinwheel Tour Event: DCF Circuit 3 and Partners

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Best Large Community Event: Children's Services Council of Broward County

Best Family Involvement Event: The Early Learning Coalition of Marion County

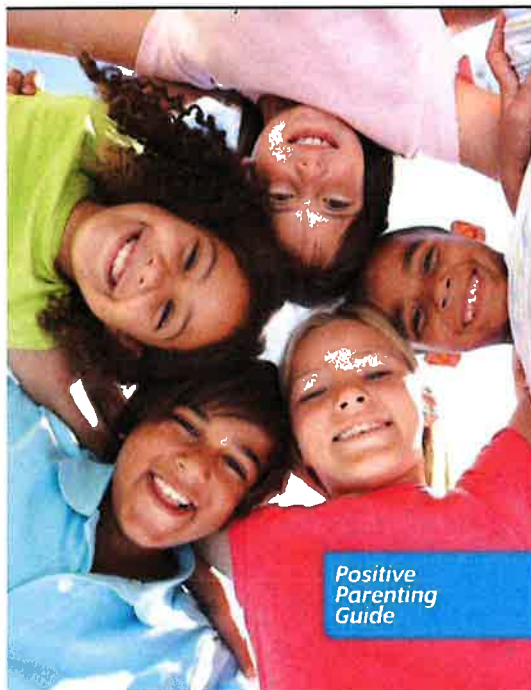
Best Community Partner: The Woman's Club of Tallahassee

Best Collaborative Event: DCF Southern Region

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Starting this month we have changed our ordering process for educational resource materials. All printed resources will be available in packs of 25 with a maximum order of 500. If you need more than 500 of any item please contact **Chris Lolley**, clolley@ounce.org. Bath Time Safety /Hot Car magnets and Safe Sleep posters will continue to be available in smaller quantities. Swim Safer books, coloring sheets and Hot Car magnets will only be available for a limited time. You will be able to order more than once in a year should you need to restock. You may place orders at <https://qnet.e-quantum2k.com/~fmi/Custom/000814/login/>.

Pinwheels and CAP month related items may still be ordered through our website. https://www.ounce.org/CAP Orders/order_other_resources.asp.

Thank you again everyone!



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By [David Volz](#) October 4, 2019

Funding for summer camps approved

Hollywood children will have a place to go this summer.

The Hollywood Commission approved a resolution to accept the 2019/2020 **Children's Services Council of Broward County Maximizing Out of School Time – Round** grant to conduct four youth summer camps and one after school program in the amount of \$582,977.

The grant authorized the required 12.5 percent matching funds to be paid from in-kind staff services. The camps provide academic programs so children don't lose ground during the summer months.

There are also plenty of fun activities ranging from traditional sports to field trips. The camps provide positive summer experiences for children.

<https://www.hollywoodgazette.com/2019/10/04/funding-for-summer-camps-approved/>

Happy weekend!



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The guide includes a full directory of agencies and organizations serving children and families in Broward, as well as articles on child development, family life, health and safety & a Broward County Public Schools information section. [Click here to view and download digital copies](#). You can also get limited copies of the guide at the Children's Services of Broward County Florida offices.

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October 8, 2019

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RE: Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf) Proposal

Dear Sheriff Tony:

Please accept this Letter of Support from the Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) for the United Way's "Choose Peace/Stop Violence" LETf grant application. This school and community-based initiative began over five years ago with seed money from The Jim Moran Foundation and continues to be supported by the United Way, the School District and the CSC. Its impact on our students has been significant and is supported by quantitative and qualitative measures of successful performance.

CSC's relationship with the United Way spans more than a decade and we are proud that this collective work has improved the quality of life for Broward's children and families. With the added support of LETf funding, we can expand Choose Peace/Stop Violence to enhance community safety and prevent juvenile crime. CSC strongly supports the United Way's LETf funding request.

Thank you for your consideration of this funding request. Please don't hesitate to call me if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, M.P.A., J.D.
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Ms. Cindy Arenberg Seltzer
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Dear Ms. Arenberg Seltzer,

Please accept this correspondence as an explanation as to why it was necessary to cancel the 2019 *A Day for Children* event.

I have represented the Alvin Sherman Library as a participant for the last three years. Early this spring, the Library was asked to assume a larger role in the logistical planning of this year's event. I readily accepted as I fully endorse the purpose of the event and believe it is closely aligned with the mission of the Library.

Shortly after agreeing to this new expanded role, I began working with Mrs. Ronnie Oller, founder and long-time coordinator of the event. Unfortunately, Mrs. Oller was unexpectedly hospitalized in mid-May and not available throughout most of the summer. These circumstances proved to be very difficult because the flow of information slowed and consequently, we were not able to secure funding from many of the event's long-time sponsors.

As the lack of incoming sponsorships became apparent, I delayed the ClearGrafx print jobs. Additionally, I reached out to some of my campus partners to assist in the necessary fundraising to support a scaled-down 2019 *A Day for Children*. Initially, these efforts appeared promising; unfortunately, we lost out on some of the potential funders because they understandably chose to support Hurricane Dorian relief efforts.

I was conflicted when faced with making the decision to cancel the event but with the lack of funding it was the only practical decision. Obviously, many people were disappointed. It goes without saying that we are very thankful for the annual support we receive from the Children's Services Council. I can fully appreciate your frustration with the way this year unfolded.

We are currently planning on hosting the 2020 *A Day for Children* event on September 20, 2020. It is my intent that the Alvin Sherman Library will serve as the primary logistical planner. As such, I have begun preliminary planning and we will start the monthly planning meetings in

January. I am confident with the necessary lead-time the 2020 event will be a well-planned, successful, and great day for all its participants, sponsors, and donors.

The Alvin Sherman Library is a joint-use facility funded and shared by both the University and the residents of Broward County. Since we opened in 2001, we have proven that we are able to host successful events for both NSU and the community. Last year, we held more events and conducted more outreach sessions for the public (790) than any other library within Broward County.

This March we will hold our eighth annual literacy festival, *StoryFest*. *StoryFest* is an all-day event that promotes early childhood and family literacy as well as celebrating diversity and inclusion inherent in modern children's literature. Last year, we hosted over 4,000 people, gave away over 2,000 books to children, registered over 500 new library card holders, and had sixteen sponsors provide either financial or in-kind support.

In 2020, I envision the Alvin Sherman Library hosting its spring festival, *StoryFest*, and its fall festival, *A Day for Children*. These events share many similarities; first and foremost, they embrace the common goal of informing, educating, and entertaining young children and their families. The physical footprint and layouts of the events are similar. The Library staff has learned the nuances of managing the traffic flow of people in a manner that allows the attendees to have both a fun-filled and safe day. I believe connecting these events in a manner that we have not before will allow us to attract more sponsors and ultimately make a greater impact in our community.

In closing, I would like to reiterate my disappointment and regret over the cancellation of the 2019 *A Day for Children* event. If agreeable, I would like to meet with you and your team to discuss the Children's Service Council's interest in participating in the 2020 event. There are many other events held at the Alvin Sherman Library that I believe might also be of interest to the Council.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Hutchens". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jim Hutchens
Vice President for Information Services
and University Librarian

cc: Sandra Bernard-Bastein, Chief Communications Officer
Andrew Leone, Director of Communications and Community Engagement

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October 7, 2019

Mr. Jim Hutchens
Vice President for Information Services
and University Librarian
Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center
3100 Ray Ferrero, Jr. Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314

Dear Mr. Hutchens,

Thank You for your letter of September 18 regarding the cancellation of the 2019 A Day for Children event.

I appreciate your commitment to the project and the strain that Mrs. Oller's illness would have put on the planning. I had no idea she was so ill. I truly hope she is now fully recovered. She is a wonderful woman.

I would be happy to meet with you to discuss 2020 A Day for Children and StoryFest. Please work with my assistant Amy Jacques, (954)377-1675 ajacques@cscbroward.org. She will find a time Sandra Bernard-Bastien, Andrew Leone and I can meet to discuss.

I look forward to meeting you.

All the best,



Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, M.P.A., J.D.
President/CEO

cc: Sandra Bernard-Bastein, Chief Communications Officer
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October 1, 2019

Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer
c/o Children's Services Council of Broward County
6600 West Commercial Boulevard
Lauderhill, FL 33319

Dear Cindy,

The youth participating in Hispanic Unity of Florida's (HUF) **Unity 4Teens** program are discovering who they are; and it's often an exciting time! However, for many of the students we serve, adolescence is complicated with matters such as pregnancy, substance abuse and crime. With your support, we are reducing the risk factors these youth confront and are guiding them on a path to become productive young adults.

What's more, we've learned that simultaneously addressing the needs of youth and parent/caregiver leads to greater stability - and ultimately success - for the entire family. The intentionality of implementing the two-generation (2Gen) approach is key to uplifting families out of poverty. Each child and parent receives age-appropriate services (ex. tutoring for youth, workforce development for adults), and the family is served based on their overall needs (ex. access to healthcare & benefits). A combination of group learning and individual case management allows HUF to be part of a meaningful and transformational process for our families and each of their members.

Thank you, Cindy, for sharing our dream of creating successful children and stronger families.

Enclosed, please find our most recent Unity 4Teens Impact Report.

If you ever have any questions, call or email me (954-342-0430, swilson@hispanicunity.org) or our Associate Director for Education, Elizabeth Dorante (edorante@hispanicunity.org, 954-342-0416).

Thank you and warmest regards,


Shani Wilson
Hispanic Unity of Florida



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HUF Impact



Unity 4Teens

Youth FORCE Program Results Apollo, Attucks, McNicol & Olsen Middle Schools

The Unity 4Teens (U4T) program is a year round after school and summer enrichment program that empowers youth to attain academic & social success and to increase protective factors so they may grow into self-sufficient, productive, and civically engaged adults.

Created as a safe place for students after school, Unity 4Teens has grown in the past decade. Serving four (4) Title 1* middle schools in Broward County, the program connects certified school teachers, case managers, and certified health & fitness instructors, to students to deliver holistic youth development services.

Unity 4Teens participants receive a number of services and interventions, including: tutoring, community service learning activities, arts & culture, civic engagement, financial education, leadership development, goal setting, and physical & nutrition education.



*Title 1 schools have high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families.



HUF Impact

Unity 4Teens

Youth FORCE Program Results Apollo, Attucks, McNicol & Olsen Middle Schools

242 +
Youth Served



100%

Youth did **not** obtain a new law violation

100%

Youth did **not** become or cause pregnancy

100%

Youth did **not** use alcohol and/or drugs





HUF Impact

Unity 4Teens

“Love” – Art Mural at Olsen Middle School With Renowned Artist, George Gadson

Renowned artist, George Gadson, worked with a group of Unity 4Teens’ students dubbed the “Awesome Responsible Teens” this past spring.

Together, they met weekly to create a mural reflecting the issues affecting them and their community - bullying, suicide, gun violence and embracing diversity. The resulting piece – a product of students’ discussions, consensus, sketches, and assembly – named “Love”, is affixed in the cafeteria of Olsen Middle School.

In addition to promoting creative expression and stimulating community-focused discussion among youth, the goal of this project also includes creating awareness of the aforementioned issues.

This project was made possible with support of the BBX Capital Foundation.

Photos of the project and unveiling are available at: bit.ly/AwesomeOlsenArt2019



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HUF Impact

Unity 4Teens

LEAP High* Program Results Miramar & Stranahan High Schools

LEAP = Literacy, Enrichment and Academic Pursuits

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Created as a safe place for students after school, Unity 4Teens has grown in the past decade. Serving two (2) Title 1* high schools in Broward County - Miramar & Stranahan - the program connects certified school teachers, case managers, and certified health & fitness instructors, to students to deliver holistic youth development services.

Unity 4Teens participants receive a number of services and interventions, including:

- Academic Support (tutoring)
- Arts & Culture
- Civic Engagement
- College Readiness
- Community Service Learning Activities
- Employment & Career Exploration
- Enrichment Activities
- Financial Education
- Goal setting
- Leadership Development
- Physical & Nutrition Education
- Statewide College Tour



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HUF Impact

Unity 4Teens



LEAP High* Program Results Miramar & Stranahan High Schools

LEAP = Literacy, Enrichment and Academic Pursuits

430+
Youth Served



83%

Youth improved reading

83%

Youth improved science

82%

Youth improved math

98%

Youth decreased external suspensions

71%

Youth decreased unexcused absences



HUF Impact

Unity 4Teens

Uplifting Families through a 2Gen Approach



HUF leveraged funding from the TK Foundation and UnidosUS to provide focused family support services to promise youth and their families who attend the LEAP High program at Stranahan High School.

Beginning February 1, 2018, this two generational service approach provides parents/caregivers with the services they need to improve family well-being while simultaneously providing youth with the supports to graduate on time and achieve post-secondary success.

Source: Children's Services Council of Broward County Annual Performance Report





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DATE: October 10, 2019

TO: Broward County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President / CEO 
Children's Services Council of Broward County

RE: CSC Quarterly Financial Report –Sept. 30, 2019

Please find the fourth Quarter Financial Report for the Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) pursuant to Laws of Florida, Chapter 2000-461, Section 4(6), as amended.

QUARTER ENDING: September 30, 2019

Total Expenditures for Quarter	\$ 28,279,003.28
Total Receipts for Quarter	\$ 2,821,324.83
Money on Hand, Invested or Deposited	\$ 31,198,154.10
Total Administrative Costs for Quarter	\$ 868,321.20

Per your request, the additional breakdown of the financial information includes the following:

Contracted Programs	\$ 25,926,632.88
Program Support	1,433,185.47
Professional Services:	
Attorney Fees	9,324.00
Consultants	14,900.00
General Administration	844,097.20
Total Administrative	868,321.20
Equipment	50,863.73
Total Quarterly Expenditures	\$ 28,279,003.28

cc: Children's Services Council Members

Council Members Attendance

October 2018 - September 2019

A = Absent; **P** = 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	P	P	P	N/A	P	P	P	P	
Emilio Benitez	P	P	N/A	P	P	P	P	P	P	N/A	P	P	P	P	
Cathy Donnelly	A	P	N/A	P	A	P	P	P	P	N/A	P	P	P	P	
Beam Furr	P	P	N/A	P	P	A	P	P	P	N/A	P	P	A	A	
Kenneth L. Gillespie	P	P	N/A	P	<i>Via Phone</i>	P	A	P	A	N/A	P	P	P	P	
Dawn Liberta	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	P	P	
Vern Melvin	P	P	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Dennis Miles	N/A	N/A	N/A	A*	A	P	P	A	A	N/A	A	P	N/A	N/A	
Tom Powers	A	P	N/A	P	P	P	A	P	P	N/A	P	A	P	P	
Robert W. Runcie	A	A	N/A	A	P	P	A	A	P	N/A	A	<i>Via Phone</i>	A	A	
Maria M. Schneider	P	A	N/A	A	P	A	P	A	P	N/A	A	P	A	<i>Via Phone</i>	
Paula Thaqi, M.D.	P	A	N/A	A	P	P	A	P	P	N/A	P	A	A**	<i>Via Phone</i>	
Ana Valladares	P	P	N/A	P	<i>Via Phone</i>	P	<i>Via Phone</i>	P	P	N/A	P	P	P	P	
* Appointed a couple of weeks prior.															
** On phone only for reconvened portion after TRIM Hearing.															