

DATE: February 12, 2021

TO: Council Members

FROM: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO

SUBJECT: Information for February 18th Council Meeting

**CHILDREN'S
SERVICES COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

*Dawn Liberta, Chair
Community Development Administrator,
Circuit 17
Department of Children & Families*

*Hon. Kenneth L. Gillespie, Vice Chair
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*Dr. David H. Kenton, Secretary
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*Cathy Donnelly, Immediate Past Chair
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*Donna P. Korn
Board Member
Broward County Public Schools*

*Robert W. Runcie
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Broward County Public Schools*

*Maria M. Schneider
Governor Appointee*

*Dr. Paula Thaqi
Director
Broward County Health Department*

*Jeffrey S. Wood
Governor Appointee*

STAFF

*Cindy J. Arenberg Seltzer
President/CEO*

LEGAL COUNSEL

*John Milledge
Garry Johnson*

Enclosed is the information packet for the Thursday, February 18th CSC monthly meeting. As a cost-saving measure, packet tabs are 18-Z.

This month, the meeting will again be held in the CSC Board Room and virtually on Zoom Webinar. Amy has ensured that at least six members will be physically present to conduct business. There will be only six to seven Members at the dais to maintain a safe distance. For those joining virtually, you will receive an email the day before the meeting with a unique zoom panelist link, as well as a reminder email with the link an hour before the meeting starts. We ask that you connect around 9:00 am. If you want to switch your mode of attendance, please notify us by noon Wednesday so we can make appropriate adjustments with your fellow Council Members.

The Council Members' Roundtable will allow for general discussion to provide us an opportunity to bid a fond farewell to Nancy Cohn, Program Services Director, upon her retirement. Nancy provided exceptional service to Broward's families during her 15 years at CSC.

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 (954-649-8420).



Children's Services Council of Broward County Monthly Meeting
6600 W. Commercial Blvd., Lauderhill, FL 33319 & Zoom Webinar

February 18, 2021
9:30 a.m.

MEETING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order** Dawn Liberta, Chair
- II. Roll Call** Amy Jacques, Special Assistant
- III. Chair's Report** Dawn Liberta, Chair
 - a. Moment to Arrive
 - b. Approve January 2021 Council Minutes **(Tab 18)**
- IV. President's Report** Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO
 - a. Good of the Order
 - b. CSC Update RE COVID-19
 - i. FYI–Food Distribution Update **(Tab 19)**
 - ii. Approve Deliver Lean Food Program for **(Tab 20)**
Spring Break
 - iii. FYI–Student Support
 - c. FYI–Legislative Report **(Tab 21)**
 - d. FYI–Racial Equity & Community **(Tab 22)**
Conversations Update
- V. Chief Program Officer (CPO) Report** Maria Juarez, CPO
 - a. Approve Cancellation of Henderson **(Tab 23)**
Behavioral Health's Parent Partner
Initiative Contract
 - b. Approve Legal Aid Contract Expansion **(Tab 24)**
- VI. Chief Innovation Officer (CIO) Report** Dr. Sue Gallagher, CIO
 - Approve CAPTA Agreement Renewal **(Tab 25)**
- VII. Chief Communications Officer (CCO) Rpt.** Sandra Bernard-Bastien, CCO
 - a. Approve Source Experts for Training **(Tab 26)**
Cadre RFQ Rating Committees
 - b. FYI–VITA/EITC Update **(Tab 27)**
- VIII. Chief Operating Officer (COO) Report** Monti Larsen, COO
 - a. Approve Financial Statements and **(Tab 28)**
Budget Amendments for January 2021
 - b. Approve Monthly/Annual Purchases **(Tab 29)**

- IX. Broward Reads Coalition Report** (Tab 30) Commissioner Beam Furr, Co-Chair
- X. Funders Forum Report** (Tab 31) Maria Juarez, CPO
- XI. Public Comment** Dawn Liberta, Chair
- XII. Council Members' Roundtable** Dawn Liberta, Chair
Nancy Cohn (Program Services Director)
Retirement
- XIII. For Your Information** (Tab Z)
- a. SNAC January 2021 Minutes
 - b. CSB Minutes
 - c. CSC In The News
 - d. Correspondence
 - e. Attendance Report

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TAB 18

CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY

Held @ 6600 W. Commercial Blvd., Lauderhill, FL 33319
and by Zoom Webinar with public access by computer or phone

January 21, 2021

9:30 AM.

Minutes

Members in Physical Attendance:

Governor Appointee Cathy Donnelly (Chair); Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr; Governor Appointee David H. Kenton; DCF Community Development Administrator Dawn Liberta; Governor Appointee Tom Powers; Governor Appointee Maria Schneider; Governor Appointee Jeffrey S. Wood

Members in Virtual Attendance:

Judge Kenneth L. Gillespie; School Board Member Donna P. Korn

Council Members Absent:

School Superintendent Robert W. Runcie; Health Department Director Paula Thaqi

Counsel Present:

Garry Johnson, Esq

Staff in Attendance:

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO; Monti Larsen, COO; Sandra Bernard-Bastien, CCO; Maria Juarez, CPO; Sue Gallagher, CIO; Marlando Christie; Laura Ganci; Dion Smith; Nancy Cohn; Michelle Hamilton; Andrew Leone; Kathleen Campbell; Amy Jacques; Madeline Jones; Marissa Aquino; Gloria Putiak; Jennifer Wennberg; Kyle Jones; Megan Turetsky; Brooke Sherman; Camila Romero; Carl Dasse; Meg Wallace; Piper Weber; Liza Khan; Lynn Kalmes; Erin Byrne; Joshua Caraballo; Pooja Yajnik; Angie Buchter; Keyonia Lawson; Akil Edwards; Parry Silcox; Jill Denis-Lay; Danielle Bachelder; Roxanne Smith; Shawanda Spencer; Trisha Dowell; Cynthia Reynoso; Nelson Giraldo; Jessica Rincon; Katrina Welch; Adamma DuCille; Clarice Horton; Diego Alvarez; Yolanda Meadows; Travis Johnson; Kimberlee Reid; Melissa Soza; Jocelin Eubanks; Latora Steel; Lorenzo “Lolo” Benaine; Jennifer Fletcher; Colleen Carpenter; Andria Dewson; Tabitha Bush; Alicia Williams; Karen Franceschini; Michelle Hagues; Shira Fowlkes; Keisha Grey; Marissa Greif-Hackett; Ileana Blanco; Maxine Goldson

Guests in Attendance:

See Attachment 1

Agenda:

I. Call to Order:

Ms. Donnelly called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM.

II. Roll Call:

The roll call was conducted, and a quorum was established.

III. Chair's Report:

a) Moment to arrive:

Council Members took a moment to allow the body and mind to settle and focus before considering the meeting agenda items.

b) State of the CSC:

Ms. Donnelly highlighted CSC efforts as reflected in the FY 19/20 Annual Report. She thanked her colleagues and Ms. Seltzer for their dedication and commitment to the community, and she wished Commissioner Furr a happy birthday.

Commissioner Furr acknowledged Ms. Donnelly's successful term as Chair and thanked her for her dedication and service.

c) Council Minutes:

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to approve the November 19, 2020, Council meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Furr and passed with no opposing votes.

d) New TRIM Hearing Date:

ACTION: Ms. Schneider made a motion to approve rescheduling the first TRIM Hearing to September 13, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Powers and passed with no opposing votes.

IV. President's Report:

a) Good of the Order:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted the 2021 King Holiday Celebration, where she was honored to be a panelist on the Education Panel.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that the Florida College Access Network (FCAN) recently highlighted the successful efforts of the Broward Bridge 2 Life (B2L) and the Broward County Public School's (BCPS) Guidance Department to virtually reach parents and students during the pandemic. One such activity was a virtual college fair that featured a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) workshop on how to complete the federal form required to receive federal aid for college. More than a 1,000 students and parents attended, with 395 of those students completing their FAFSA form. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer pointed out that while COVID has caused a statewide decline in the completion of the forms, data shows that students in Broward are a little better than the state average in submitting FAFSA forms. She also announced that B2L will host a YouTuber Career Conference on February 4th and 5th, with participating companies offering part-time jobs and internships.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer shared the good news of a generous donation of Make-A-Book products from Lintor Make-A-Book, Inc., in Fort Myers. CSC had partnered with this company for many years, starting out with Moving With Math and then providing their make-a-book project to participants in the CSC-funded MOST programs. She explained that as the company was going out of business, they connected with CSC to donate their remaining inventory of 18 boxes of book making products. Not only did the owners, Greg and Jancie Miller, donate the project boxes, but the state Campaign for Grade Level Reading covered the cost of shipping them directly to the CSC-funded providers, with an estimated total donation value of \$6,000. She also added that even though Lintor is now closed, they are maintaining the website with many ideas and pictures and are making themselves available to guide the providers through the projects.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer explained that while CSC staff are not direct service providers, they often connect residents in need to resources in the community. She added that CSC staff are committed to the mission statement of providing leadership, advocacy and the resources necessary to enhance children's lives. She further explained that while funding is part

of that, it is not the only piece. She shared a recent example of connecting a mother with an infant and a toddler to much needed emergency shelter and assistance. She praised the power of partnerships, in this case a local radio host, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies, Broward Partnership, Broward County, and CSC staff.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer drew Members' attention to the newly published FY 19/20 Annual Report, explaining how it serves as a summary companion piece to the Annual Performance Report (APR), which breaks down each program's performance. She also announced the publication of the FY 20/21 Funded Program Directory. Members had previously received a copy of each. All are posted on the CSC website.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted recent Anti-Human Trafficking initiatives, including a virtual youth summit and the production of three PSAs targeting parents, system partners, and youth. Council Members viewed the PSA geared toward parents. It was noted that the PSAs are located on the CSC YouTube channel.

As part of the 20th year celebration of CSC resources in the community, Ms. Arenberg Seltzer shared efforts to highlight CSC's impact in the community, including the creation of a new 20th Anniversary logo and news interviews. Members listened to an excerpt of a Caribbean Riddims Radio interview and viewed a Comcast Newsmakers segment.

b) COVID-19 Update:

i. Food Distribution:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer shared initial results of two new hunger relief initiatives that began in December. The Deliver Lean Program was a pilot during the December school break that introduced a new delivery model. Prepared meals that took into account cultural differences and dietary restrictions were delivered directly to 80 families in the Northeast quadrant of the County who were identified by the Crockett Foundation and the Community Reconstruction Housing Corp. Within those families were 175 children. Feedback was positive, with the children enjoying the fruit and yogurt, and families noting that the food held them over during the break.

The Community Enhancement Collaboration (CEC) initiative spans over 10 months and will distribute food and cleaning supplies to

families in the Hollywood/Hallandale area who have been impacted by the pandemic. For the month of December, more than 200 families received 35 pounds of food and supplies through two distribution sites, one at Memorial Health Care System and the other at the Hepburn Center in Hallandale Beach. Those families received much-needed staples, such as fresh fruit and vegetables, rotisserie chicken, and laundry detergent.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that staff will continue to gather information and feedback on these hunger relief initiatives and bring back a final report.

ii. Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Support:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer highlighted challenges facing BCPS during the pandemic, including children not attending school either in person or online and an increase in the number of students receiving an F in more than two classes. She noted that BCPS has requested assistance from CSC in addressing the issue of children falling behind academically. She shared that staff are exploring ways to collaborate and assist through CSC-funded afterschool programming, but that data-sharing barriers have been an on-going problem. She further shared that BCPS is working to find a way to share tools and tutoring programs, as well as train the CSC-funded providers to use them in CSC-funded afterschool programs. She explained that there is nothing for the Council to consider at this time, and that staff are assisting BCPS with outreach to promote increased attendance, especially in niche communities where CSC has access.

Ms. Korn acknowledged the challenges and said that BCPS is gearing up for a robust summer school session. She noted that while data-sharing issues are understandable, it is very important that they be resolved. She asked to be kept updated so that she could help problem-solve if needed. As for the “missing” students, she pointed out that a majority of those are actually children who were scheduled to start Kindergarten this school year, but whose parents decided they would start next school year.

Ms. Liberta offered to collaborate and share information to see if any of those missing/disengaged students’ families are engaged with the Department of Children & Families. Ms. Korn asked Ms. Arenberg

Seltzer to connect Ms. Liberta with the BCPS staff with whom she has been partnering.

c) FY 21/22 Budget Process:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer explained that the budget process for staff typically starts now with the visioning process that creates the proposed draft programmatic budget that is considered by the Council in May and the administrative budget that is considered in June. However, she noted there is a myriad of questions and uncertainty when it comes to planning a program budget for FY 2021/2022, starting with how much longer until we return to any sort of normalcy, what will that normalcy look like, what will be the community needs starting October 2021, and what role will there be for CSC? She further explained that the data available now and the time constraints moving forward to produce a typical CSC budget book in May dictate something different this budget season. She noted that staff was seeking assurance to present the information differently this year due to the great uncertainty caused by the pandemic.

Members agreed with the uncertainty and gave staff the freedom to present the information as they saw best. Mr. Powers expressed the possible need to start the year with a big bucket of unallocated to allow for responding to unknowns.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer emphasized that staff would provide the Council with the information it needs to make decisions, even if it's not in a pretty book. She noted that fiscal monitoring is continuing and that the research/programs teams are looking at whether children are being served and what services are being provided. She pointed out that in some cases the services may not be the services for which we initially thought or planned, such as supporting the hunger relief initiatives or providing case management for additional children. She promised Members they will hear more about that during today's Roundtable.

d) FCSC Legislative Platform:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that an item related to education had been added to the draft platform. She explained that there is also a focus on monitoring any education legislation addressing the educational fallout from COVID.

ACTION: Ms. Schneider made a motion to approve the FCSC Legislative Platform as presented, with the additional item noted by Ms. Arenberg Seltzer above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Furr and passed with no opposing votes.

V. Chief Program Officer Report:

a) CRH Amendment to Remove Fiscal Sponsor:

Ms. Juarez briefly outlined the amendment, explaining that when CRH first applied for CSC funding through the Positive Youth Development (PYD) Request for Proposals (RFP), they were not in a position to pass the CSC fiscal viability test and thus entered into their contract with a fiscal sponsor. She noted that they have since completed a new financial audit, passed the CSC fiscal viability test, and no longer require a fiscal sponsor. She stated that both parties requested that the contract be amended to remove the fiscal sponsor.

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to amend CSC's contract with Community Reconstruction Housing Corporation and Alexander Rebb as Fiscal Sponsor to remove the Fiscal Sponsor, as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Schneider and passed with no opposing votes.

b) Financial Stability for Families:

Ms. Juarez outlined the community collaborative in which CSC would partner to address family financial security and assist in the prevention of homelessness.

ACTION: Ms. Schneider made a motion to approve new objective 2.2.2 and related budget and approve the community collaborative with United Way of Broward County to jointly fund the Center for Working Families programs, all as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Furr and passed with no opposing votes.

VI. Chief Innovation Officer (CIO) Report:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer delivered the CIO Report, noting that the APR will be discussed later during the Roundtable. She commended CSC staff for the tremendous effort to produce the Report.

VII. Chief Communications Officer (CCO) Report:

Quarterly Community Outreach Report:

Ms. Bernard-Bastien drew attention to the information in the meeting packet, noting that while times have been challenging due to COVID-19, staff have been creative in their outreach to the community. Outreach efforts have included food distribution events, where staff also distributed more than 4,000 Family Resource Guides and other educational material, including COVID-19 and KidCare material in partnership with the Florida Department of Health in Broward County. She noted that CSC's social media reach and interaction continues to grow.

Ms. Liberta thanked staff for their outreach efforts, noting that she has seen them in the community and knows that the community really appreciates it.

VIII. Chief Operating Officer Report:

a) Financial Statements:

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to approve the Budget Amendments and interim Financial Statements for the Quarter ending December 31, 2020, as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Furr and passed with no opposing votes.

b) Monthly Annual Purchases:

ACTION: Commissioner Furr made a motion to approve the CSC monthly/annual Purchases as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Powers and passed with no opposing votes.

IX. Broward Reads Coalition Report:

Commissioner Furr highlighted the recent meeting and announced that Broward County received County of the Year for Read for the Record.

X. Special Needs Advisory Coalition Report:

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer described the creation and role of the SNAC in the community. SNAC is a children's strategic plan committee that was established to bring together the many services available to support families with children diagnosed with special needs to build a more seamless system and to identify gaps. A significant area of focus has been those tough transitions to elementary, middle and high school as well as adulthood. She pointed out that CSC serves as the backbone agency for SNAC and has a representative on the Coalition who

usually serves as Co-Chair with a School Board representative. That representative had been Ms. Bartleman, who served in both capacities. Since Ms. Bartleman resigned from the School Board in November and was no longer a Council Member, that position is now available. She asked Council Members to think about it and let the new Chair know during the Committee appointment process if they are interested in serving on SNAC either as a member or Co-Chair.

XI. Funders Forum Report:

Ms. Juarez summarized the December and January meetings of the Funders Forum. She noted that the 2-1-1 presentation highlighted areas of increased calls from the community, which were food, housing, financial assistance, and mental health and suicidal thoughts. She noted that while calls for suicidal thoughts had gone up dramatically, completed suicides had not gone up commensurately, which indicates the 2-1-1 interventions have been largely successful. There are some concerns about 2-1-1 funding which will be discussed at the next Funders Forum meeting.

XII. Nominating Committee Report:

a) Proposed Slate of Officers:

ACTION: Mr. Powers made a motion to approve the proposed slate of officers: Ms. Liberta as Chair, Judge Gillespie as Vice Chair, and Dr. Kenton as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Furr and passed with no opposing votes.

Ms. Donnelly passed the gavel to the newly elected Chair, Ms. Liberta.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer thanked Ms. Donnelly for her expert service as Chair during the past two years. She stated that Ms. Donnelly represented the Council extremely well and was supportive of the President/CEO and staff. Ms. Donnelly was presented with a commemorative plaque.

b) Committee Assignments:

Ms. Schneider expressed interest in serving on SNAC as a CSC representative, but not as Co-Chair. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer noted that the Coalition has one community co-chair at the moment and that they are also interested in a School Board Co-Chair. It was agreed that a School Board Co-Chair would be of great value to the Coalition.

ACTION: Ms. Liberta kept the Committee assignments the same, except for appointing Mr. Wood to the Program Planning Committee (PPC), appointing Ms. Schneider to the Special Needs Advisory Coalition (SNAC), and removing Superintendent Runcie from the Agency Capacity Building Committee.

XIII. Public Comment:

There were no comments.

XIV. Roundtable:

CSC staff led a presentation on the FY 19/20 APR.

Dr. Laura Ganci (Director, Research & Evaluation) explained how COVID-19 created an atypical year for providers and staff and how it impacted the APR. She noted that the FY 19/20 APR highlights the year-end performance for individual programs and where modifications to program delivery and/or design were made.

Mr. Andrew Leone (Director, Communications & Community Engagement) highlighted the connection between the APR and the Annual Report, noting that the Annual Report shifted last year to serve as an executive summary of the APR. He described the Annual Report as more of a global review with more narrative of community initiatives. The Annual Report is also required by statute to be delivered to the County by the end of December.

Dr. Ganci gave an overview of how the APR serves as the mechanism through which programs are holistically reviewed and highlights a program's continued quality of service. She outlined the Results Based Accountability (RBA) model that is used to conduct the evaluation, which asks how much did we do, how well did we do it, and is anybody better off.

Ms. Nancy Cohn (Director, Program Services) highlighted CSC's new electronic procurement system, Contract Administration and Procurement System (CAPS), which moved the procurement process from manual to electronic this past year.

Mr. Dion Smith (Director, Program services) highlighted CSC's response and interaction with providers during COVID-19, which included a lot of pivoting to provide services and meet needs. He noted that CSC remained flexible in how services were delivered, such as adding case management to programs where it was not usually offered and expanding counseling services county-wide.

Ms. Cohn highlighted specific program modifications during the pandemic, such as transitioning school health staff from closed schools to childcare centers during the months of June – October, as well as establishing a community Learning Pods collaborative when the need arose in August when families needed safe and supervised locations to leave their children for E-Learning until school sites opened in October. She noted that 1,000 children benefitted from the CSC-funded learning pods.

Mr. Leone highlighted the food and PPE distribution programs during the past year, noting that important information and books were also distributed with the food bags. He also pointed out that the Back-to-School Extravaganza also pivoted to a new model where the distribution of supplies was managed by the providers through smaller distributions. CSC-funded agencies were also assisted in delivering their messages to the community.

Ms. Adamma DuCille (Assistant Director, Training & Capacity Building) discussed the seamless transition of the community trainings to a virtual platform, noting that they also increased the number of mindfulness and self-care trainings. She shared that the Agency Capacity Building Committee also pivoted by changing the type of information they disseminated to Committee members to include information on the Paycheck Protection Program, Economic Injury Disaster Loans, and local relief efforts for small businesses. The distribution of the Committee's newsletter also shifted from monthly to weekly. And for the CSC's racial equity efforts, she pointed out that CSC's previous work in this area positioned it at the forefront of providing community assistance in this area.

Ms. Kathleen Campbell (Director, Finance) highlighted CSC's revised financial and administrative processes during the pandemic, noting that they were able to monitor all applicable CSC-funded programs. She shared that staff adapted processes to virtual platforms and modified monitoring tools and invoicing processes.

Dr. Ganci highlighted the research team's modifications during the past year, noting that they shifted to collecting data from outcome tools online where possible and that they found new ways to evaluate.

XV. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:57 AM.

Dr. David H. Kenton, Secretary

ATTCH 1

MEETING ATTENDEES

*denotes speaker

Name	Organization
Lisa Clements	YMCA of South Florida
Diana Gomez	Sunshine Health
Carol Brogan	The Children's Trust
Mark Reyes	Urban League of Broward County
Andy Fernandez	Firewall Centers
Michael Liberta	City of Delray Beach Police Department
Idelma Quintana	Broward County
Alison Rodriguez	YMCA of South Florida
Therese Sullivan	Pembroke Pines Police Department
Susan Feldman	YMCA of South Florida
Shawn Preston	Arc Broward
Grace Ramos	The M Network

TAB 19

For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

Service Goal	2.2 Children live in financially stable environments.
Objective:	2.2.1 Promote food security for families.
Issue:	Update on the Deliver Lean Cares pilot and the Community Enhancement Collaboration (CEC) food distribution programs
Action:	FYI
Budget Impact:	None

Background: Approximately 20% of children in Broward County experience food insecurity. The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has limited access to in-school and out-of-school time food distribution. At the November 19, 2020 meeting the Council approved \$58,240 for Deliver Lean Cares to operate over the two-week winter Break in partnership with organizations already serving the NE quadrant to provide two nutritious meals a day to children and their families and \$61,040 in leverage funding for Community Enhancement Collaboration, Inc. serving the Central/South East Broward.

Current Status: The Deliver Lean Cares winter break pilot operated from December 19th, 2020 to January 1st, 2021, home delivered culturally and dietetically customized meals to families, an important distinction from other food distributions. The families were identified through partnerships with the Crockett Foundation and Community Reconstruction Housing. They provided healthy meals to over 80 families serving about 175 children. Post-pilot surveys indicated that the families were grateful for the service; the children reported enjoying the fruit and yogurt provided, and caregivers said the food was more than enough to last over the winter break.

Since December, CEC has supported over 400 families, providing them with 35 pounds of food and supplies including but not limited to fresh fruit and vegetables, chicken, dry goods, toilet paper and laundry detergent for a total of 14,000 pounds of much-needed supplies and staples. The children and families who access CSC services through the Memorial Health Care System, the Hepburn Center, and Hispanic Unity were very grateful. HUF also provided families with information about other community services they provide including free tax preparation (VITA) and immigration assistance. As with all CSC sponsored food distributions, families received other resources including: Family Resource Guides, Water Smart Broward flyers, and hand sanitizers.

Recommended Action: FYI

For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

Service Goal	2.2 Children live in financially stable environments.
Objective:	2.2.1 Promote food security for families.
Issue:	Spring Break food distribution project in Northeast Broward.
Action:	Approve Additional Funding for Deliver Lean Cares for Spring Break Hunger Relief.
Budget Impact:	\$ 30,000 of \$ 130,720 Available in Goal 2.2.1 for FY 20/21.

Background: The CSC has been a supporter of efforts addressing childhood food insecurity for over 14 years. The current pandemic has exacerbated a crisis that, in Broward, affects approximately 20% of children and youth. At the October 2020 meeting, the Council agreed to increase funding to address critical community needs stemming from the continuing pandemic, including hunger relief.

At the November meeting, the Council approved \$58,240 for Deliver Lean Cares to provide nutritious, precooked meals to up to 400 individuals in the Pompano-Deerfield area during the winter school break. Through partnerships with the Crockett Foundation and Community Reconstruction Housing Corp. (CRHC), over 175 families with children received two nutritious meals daily, delivered directly to their homes thus easing, in addition, transportation burdens experienced by many.

Current Status: To help address ongoing food insecurity in the NE quadrant of Broward County, staff recommends partnering again with Deliver Lean Cares to provide food to families from both Crockett Foundation and CRHC, as well as adding additional families from Community Based Connections. During the week of spring break when children are less likely to access school and afterschool meals, the program would feed up to 400 individuals two healthy meals per day. Meals would be customized for children and adult members of the family. These are nutritious, prepared, ready to heat and eat, meals delivered directly to the homes of families that may have difficulty accessing other distribution efforts. Staff will again work with these three CSC funded agencies already providing services in the NE quadrant to identify participants.

Recommended Action: Approve Additional Funding for Deliver Lean Cares for Spring Break Hunger Relief



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Capitol Connection



2021 Legislative Session

Governor DeSantis's Proposed Budget for FY 21-22

1,044 bills have already been filed for legislative session 2021. Committee meetings are under way, and Governor DeSantis released his proposed budget this week for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Visit [here](#) for the press release for Governor DeSantis's proposed budget.

Visit [here](#) to see further information on Governor DeSantis's proposed budget.

Agencies Show Funding Source	Governor's Recommendations	Current Year Budget	Difference
	2021-22	2020-21	
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
ADMINISTERED FUNDS (STATEWIDE)	\$63,634,791	\$277,540,938	(\$213,906,147)
AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION	\$33,788,607,425	\$30,738,315,878	\$3,050,291,547
AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES	\$1,556,407,923	\$1,530,701,539	\$25,706,384
AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES	\$1,712,568,416	\$1,758,021,500	(\$45,453,084)
BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION	\$162,724,152	\$163,631,937	(\$907,785)
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES	\$3,439,402,049	\$3,386,691,145	\$52,710,904
CITRUS	\$26,493,506	\$26,458,002	\$35,504
CORRECTIONS	\$2,910,518,341	\$2,838,075,754	\$72,442,587
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY	\$1,253,500,249	\$976,891,366	\$276,608,883
EDUCATION	\$27,119,589,656	\$26,775,368,857	\$344,220,799
ELDER AFFAIRS	\$364,741,484	\$369,629,818	(\$4,888,334)
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$2,152,884,037	\$2,213,371,817	(\$60,487,780)
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR	\$2,029,287,604	\$1,502,091,547	\$527,196,057
FINANCIAL SERVICES	\$398,518,080	\$405,183,011	(\$6,664,931)
FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$386,921,900	\$418,715,904	(\$31,794,004)
FLORIDA COMMISSION ON OFFENDER REVIEW	\$12,047,447	\$12,260,251	(\$212,804)
HEALTH	\$3,152,142,362	\$3,139,022,428	\$13,119,934
HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES	\$510,681,473	\$506,367,525	\$4,313,948
JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION	\$1,021,023,081	\$1,013,545,752	\$7,477,329
JUVENILE JUSTICE	\$583,511,274	\$586,086,979	(\$2,575,705)
LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$300,919,630	\$290,167,968	\$10,751,662
LEGAL AFFAIRS	\$396,348,304	\$297,840,293	\$98,508,011
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH	\$218,634,202	\$219,200,629	(\$566,427)
LOTTERY	\$193,912,990	\$187,966,662	\$5,946,328
MANAGEMENT SERVICES	\$921,650,187	\$739,188,532	\$182,461,655
MILITARY AFFAIRS	\$68,866,210	\$72,616,504	(\$3,750,294)
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION	\$26,925,130	\$26,761,160	\$163,970
REVENUE	\$606,268,382	\$615,446,860	(\$9,178,478)
STATE	\$87,110,030	\$111,610,031	(\$24,500,001)
STATE COURT SYSTEM	\$595,413,146	\$592,468,840	\$2,944,306
TRANSPORTATION	\$10,363,095,321	\$10,326,204,662	\$36,890,659
VETERANS' AFFAIRS	\$153,482,867	\$152,207,946	\$1,274,921
Total: Agencies	\$96,577,831,649	\$92,269,652,035	\$4,308,179,614

Committee Weeks Legislative Session 2021

- Monday, February 1 – Friday, February 5, 2021
- Monday, February 8 – Friday, February 12, 2021
- Monday, February 15 – Friday, February 19, 2021

The 2021 Legislative Session will convene on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

Florida Children's Council Legislative Priorities 2021



2021 Legislative Priorities

OVERVIEW:

The Florida Children's Council serves as the member organization of the state's Children Services Councils (CSCs) and Children's Trusts. Within Florida these organizations serve over 1/3rd of the state's birth to 18 population by funding evidence-based programs, innovative services, and community resources that improve the lives of children and families. This comprehensive service approach allows CSCs to make data-driven decisions, maximize local resources, and ensure accountability of funded programs. Through these CSC investments, data is collected, and services are aligned that produce efficiencies, replicable positive child and family outcomes, and long-term collective impact. It is through this laser-focused approach that scalable system development opportunities and recognition of public policy needs emerge. The following legislative priorities have been identified for the 2021 legislative session.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

- ✔ Maintain the ability for local communities to determine the best use of resources to develop, implement, and administer programs that address the needs of children and families.
- ✔ Support evidence-based policies and programs to ensure healthy, academically successful children, secure families, and safe and supportive communities.
- ✔ Ensure adequate, equitable funding and access for programs that affect children and families and account for regional economic differences.
- ✔ Support programming that encourages and facilitate family engagement.
- ✔ Support legislation that uses a racial equity lens, processes, and values to create just and fair outcomes and conditions for our state and community while recognizing and addressing historical injustices and harms.
- ✔ Ensure health, safety, and well-being of children in all publicly funded programs.
- ✔ Support programs that promote the ability for families to continue toward economic self-sufficiency without losing access to services that support children's development.
- ✔ Maximize all available revenue streams for strategies that support child development and economic security.
- ✔ Support State appropriations that benefit Florida's children and families.

TWO-GENERATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES:

Support the development more effective equitable policies for families with young children in poverty by aligning targeted social services that support children's development with workforce development services to increase family economic self-sufficiency.

EARLY LEARNING:

Contribute to the establishment of an equitable comprehensive system of early learning that supports parental choice, timely child outcome results, and an aligned progress monitoring that allows the state and communities to provide timely interventions.

OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAMS:

Support child safety and well-being by working with the legislature to provide the Florida Department of Children and Families the authority to be able to fine or file an injunction for summer camps that are in violation of the summer camp background screening requirements and continuing to support summer camp registration.

HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT:

Expand funding and access for all children to ensure the healthy development of Florida's children through targeted programs that support mental health, infant mortality and disparities in birth outcomes, and access to health care.

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES:

Maximize the impact of intervention services by managing caseloads, adequately serving infants and toddlers with significant delays, prohibiting the use of seclusion and restraint rooms in school settings, implementing universal developmental screenings, and streamlining transitions between state programs.

CHILD PROTECTION:

Develop a network of comprehensive child welfare services that implement trauma-informed practices, ensure children in safe and stable homes, reduce the length of time that children are in the welfare system, and supports young adults leaving foster care and transitioning into independence.

JUVENILE JUSTICE:

Support programs and strategies that produce evidenced based results that mitigate recidivism, do not disproportionately affect youth based on color or background, and allow for state attorney discretion on filing charges against juveniles who receive concurrent civil citations.

House of Representatives Leadership

Here is the announced list of the House of Representatives Leadership Team. To read the full statement from Florida House Speaker-designate Chris Sprowls, please visit [here](#).

Speaker Pro Tempore

- Representative Bryan Avila

Majority Leader

- Representative Michael Grant

Appropriations Committee Chair

- Representative Jay Trumbull

Rules Committee Chair

- Representative Paul Renner

Commerce Committee Chair

- Representative Blaise Ingoglia

Education & Employment Committee Chair

- Representative Chris Latvala

Health & Human Services Committee Chair

- Representative Colleen Burton

Judiciary Committee Chair

- Representative Daniel Perez

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- Senator Ben Albritton

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- Senator Aaron Bean

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Transportation

- Senator Gayle Harrell

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- Representative Ray Rodriguez, Alt. Chair



Resources During COVID-19

As the state of Florida, along with the rest of the country, reacts to the effects of the COVID-19 outbreak, we have compiled a snapshot of resources available below:

General Information

- 211 Helpline Florida - The United Way is aiding those who are effected by COVID-19. If you or

School Aged Resources

- [Education resources for distance learning](#)
- [Free Books & Digital Library from the Florida House of Representatives Initiative](#)

Food Assistance

- [Meals for Kids and Teenagers](#)
- [Farm Share](#)

Mental Health

- [Crisis Centers](#) provide 24/7 free, confidential emotional support - Dial 211 or visit crisiscenter.com

Re-employment assistance

- [Florida Department of Economic Opportunity](#)
- [CareerSource South Florida](#)

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TAB 22

For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

Issue: Racial Equity Update

Action: FYI Only

Budget Impact: None

Background: In May 2015, CSC committed to addressing racial equity in our planning, policies and programs. It is an ongoing journey we are on with many partners throughout the county including many other government entities, nonprofits and most importantly, community members.

Current Status: On January 20, 2021, President Biden signed the *Executive Order On Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government* which is attached for your information. This Executive Order is broader than racial equity but should provide federal support for our work. Two particularly relevant sections are excerpted below.

Sec. 4. Identifying Methods to Assess Equity. (a) The Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) shall, in partnership with the heads of agencies, study methods for assessing whether agency policies and actions create or exacerbate barriers to full and equal participation by all eligible individuals. The study should aim to identify the best methods, consistent with applicable law, to assist agencies in assessing equity with respect to race, ethnicity, religion, income, geography, gender identity, sexual orientation, and disability.

(b) As part of this study, the Director of OMB shall consider whether to recommend that agencies employ pilot programs to test model assessment tools and assist agencies in doing so.

Sec. 9. Establishing an Equitable Data Working Group. Many Federal datasets are not disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, disability, income, veteran status, or other key demographic variables. This lack of data has cascading effects and impedes efforts to measure and advance equity. A first step to promoting equity in Government action is to gather the data necessary to inform that effort.

Recommended Action: FYI Only

Executive Order On Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government

January 20, 2021

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. Policy. Equal opportunity is the bedrock of American democracy, and our diversity is one of our country's greatest strengths. But for too many, the American Dream remains out of reach. Entrenched disparities in our laws and public policies, and in our public and private institutions, have often denied that equal opportunity to individuals and communities. Our country faces converging economic, health, and climate crises that have exposed and exacerbated inequities, while a historic movement for justice has highlighted the unbearable human costs of systemic racism. Our Nation deserves an ambitious whole-of-government equity agenda that matches the scale of the opportunities and challenges that we face.

It is therefore the policy of my Administration that the Federal Government should pursue a comprehensive approach to advancing equity for all, including people of color and others who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality. Affirmatively advancing equity, civil rights, racial justice, and equal opportunity is the responsibility of the whole of our Government. Because advancing equity requires a systematic approach to embedding fairness in decision-making processes, executive departments and agencies (agencies) must recognize and work to redress inequities in their policies and programs that serve as barriers to equal opportunity.

By advancing equity across the Federal Government, we can create opportunities for the improvement of communities that have been historically underserved, which benefits everyone. For example, an analysis shows that closing racial gaps in wages, housing credit, lending opportunities, and access to higher education would amount to an additional \$5 trillion in gross domestic product in the American economy over the next 5 years. The Federal Government's goal in advancing equity is to provide everyone with the opportunity to reach their full potential. Consistent with these aims, each agency must assess whether, and to what extent, its programs and policies

perpetuate systemic barriers to opportunities and benefits for people of color and other underserved groups. Such assessments will better equip agencies to develop policies and programs that deliver resources and benefits equitably to all.

Sec. 2. Definitions. For purposes of this order: (a) The term “equity” means the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals, including individuals who belong to underserved communities that have been denied such treatment, such as Black, Latino, and Indigenous and Native American persons, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other persons of color; members of religious minorities; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) persons; persons with disabilities; persons who live in rural areas; and persons otherwise adversely affected by persistent poverty or inequality.

(b) The term “underserved communities” refers to populations sharing a particular characteristic, as well as geographic communities, that have been systematically denied a full opportunity to participate in aspects of economic, social, and civic life, as exemplified by the list in the preceding definition of “equity.”

Sec. 3. Role of the Domestic Policy Council. The role of the White House Domestic Policy Council (DPC) is to coordinate the formulation and implementation of my Administration’s domestic policy objectives. Consistent with this role, the DPC will coordinate efforts to embed equity principles, policies, and approaches across the Federal Government. This will include efforts to remove systemic barriers to and provide equal access to opportunities and benefits, identify communities the Federal Government has underserved, and develop policies designed to advance equity for those communities. The DPC-led interagency process will ensure that these efforts are made in coordination with the directors of the National Security Council and the National Economic Council.

Sec. 4. Identifying Methods to Assess Equity. (a) The Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) shall, in partnership with the heads of agencies, study methods for assessing whether agency policies and actions create or exacerbate barriers to full and equal participation by all eligible individuals. The study should aim to identify the best methods, consistent with applicable law, to assist agencies in assessing equity with respect to race, ethnicity, religion, income, geography, gender identity, sexual orientation, and disability.

(b) As part of this study, the Director of OMB shall consider whether to recommend that agencies employ pilot programs to test model assessment tools and assist agencies in doing so.

(c) Within 6 months of the date of this order, the Director of OMB shall deliver a report to the President describing the best practices identified by the study and, as appropriate, recommending approaches to expand use of those methods across the Federal Government.

Sec. 5. Conducting an Equity Assessment in Federal Agencies. The head of each agency, or designee, shall, in consultation with the Director of OMB, select certain of the agency's programs and policies for a review that will assess whether underserved communities and their members face systemic barriers in accessing benefits and opportunities available pursuant to those policies and programs. The head of each agency, or designee, shall conduct such review and within 200 days of the date of this order provide a report to the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy (APDP) reflecting findings on the following:

- (a) Potential barriers that underserved communities and individuals may face to enrollment in and access to benefits and services in Federal programs;
- (b) Potential barriers that underserved communities and individuals may face in taking advantage of agency procurement and contracting opportunities;
- (c) Whether new policies, regulations, or guidance documents may be necessary to advance equity in agency actions and programs; and
- (d) The operational status and level of institutional resources available to offices or divisions within the agency that are responsible for advancing civil rights or whose mandates specifically include serving underrepresented or disadvantaged communities.

Sec. 6. Allocating Federal Resources to Advance Fairness and Opportunity. The Federal Government should, consistent with applicable law, allocate resources to address the historic failure to invest sufficiently, justly, and equally in underserved communities, as well as individuals from those communities. To this end:

- (a) The Director of OMB shall identify opportunities to promote equity in the budget that the President submits to the Congress.
- (b) The Director of OMB shall, in coordination with the heads of agencies, study strategies, consistent with applicable law, for allocating Federal resources in a manner that increases investment in underserved communities, as well as individuals from those communities. The Director of OMB shall report the findings of this study to the President.

Sec. 7. Promoting Equitable Delivery of Government Benefits and Equitable Opportunities. Government programs are designed to serve all eligible individuals. And Government contracting and procurement opportunities should be available on an equal basis to all eligible providers of goods and services. To meet these objectives and to enhance compliance with existing civil rights laws:

(a) Within 1 year of the date of this order, the head of each agency shall consult with the APDP and the Director of OMB to produce a plan for addressing:

(i) any barriers to full and equal participation in programs identified pursuant to section 5(a) of this order; and

(ii) any barriers to full and equal participation in agency procurement and contracting opportunities identified pursuant to section 5(b) of this order.

(b) The Administrator of the U.S. Digital Service, the United States Chief Technology Officer, the Chief Information Officer of the United States, and the heads of other agencies, or their designees, shall take necessary actions, consistent with applicable law, to support agencies in developing such plans.

Sec. 8. Engagement with Members of Underserved Communities. In carrying out this order, agencies shall consult with members of communities that have been historically underrepresented in the Federal Government and underserved by, or subject to discrimination in, Federal policies and programs. The head of each agency shall evaluate opportunities, consistent with applicable law, to increase coordination, communication, and engagement with community-based organizations and civil rights organizations.

Sec. 9. Establishing an Equitable Data Working Group. Many Federal datasets are not disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, disability, income, veteran status, or other key demographic variables. This lack of data has cascading effects and impedes efforts to measure and advance equity. A first step to promoting equity in Government action is to gather the data necessary to inform that effort.

(a) Establishment. There is hereby established an Interagency Working Group on Equitable Data (Data Working Group).

(b) Membership.

(i) The Chief Statistician of the United States and the United States Chief Technology Officer shall serve as Co-Chairs of the Data Working Group and coordinate its work. The Data Working Group shall include representatives of agencies as determined

by the Co-Chairs to be necessary to complete the work of the Data Working Group, but at a minimum shall include the following officials, or their designees:

- (A) the Director of OMB;
- (B) the Secretary of Commerce, through the Director of the U.S. Census Bureau;
- (C) the Chair of the Council of Economic Advisers;
- (D) the Chief Information Officer of the United States;
- (E) the Secretary of the Treasury, through the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy;
- (F) the Chief Data Scientist of the United States; and
- (G) the Administrator of the U.S. Digital Service.

(ii) The DPC shall work closely with the Co-Chairs of the Data Working Group and assist in the Data Working Group's interagency coordination functions.

(iii) The Data Working Group shall consult with agencies to facilitate the sharing of information and best practices, consistent with applicable law.

(c) Functions. The Data Working Group shall:

(i) through consultation with agencies, study and provide recommendations to the APDP identifying inadequacies in existing Federal data collection programs, policies, and infrastructure across agencies, and strategies for addressing any deficiencies identified; and

(ii) support agencies in implementing actions, consistent with applicable law and privacy interests, that expand and refine the data available to the Federal Government to measure equity and capture the diversity of the American people.

(d) OMB shall provide administrative support for the Data Working Group, consistent with applicable law.

Sec. 10. Revocation. (a) Executive Order 13950 of September 22, 2020 (Combating Race and Sex Stereotyping), is hereby revoked.

(b) The heads of agencies covered by Executive Order 13950 shall review and identify proposed and existing agency actions related to or arising from Executive Order 13950. The head of each agency shall, within 60 days of the date of this order, consider suspending, revising, or rescinding any such actions, including all agency actions to terminate or restrict contracts or grants pursuant to Executive Order 13950, as appropriate and consistent with applicable law.

(c) Executive Order 13958 of November 2, 2020 (Establishing the President's Advisory 1776 Commission), is hereby revoked.

Sec. 11. General Provisions. (a) Nothing in this order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

(i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or

(ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.

(b) This order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.

(c) Independent agencies are strongly encouraged to comply with the provisions of this order.

(d) This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR.

THE WHITE HOUSE,
January 20, 2021.

TAB 23

For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

Service Goal	2.1 Reduce the incidence of child abuse, neglect, and trauma.
Objective:	2.1.1 Provide effective family strengthening services to prevent child maltreatment.
Issue:	Cancellation of Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc. Parent Partner Initiative (PPI) Family Strengthening Funding.
Action:	Approve Cancellation of Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc. Parent Partner Initiative Contract and Return Funds to Unallocated in Goal 2.1.1 for FY 20/21.
Budget Impact:	\$120,932 to be Returned to Unallocated in Goal 2.1.1 for FY 20/21.

Background: The Henderson Parent Partner Initiative program, based on the Iowa Parent Partner model, was initially funded by the Casey Foundation as a pilot program. This pilot program provides peer mentoring to families under investigation by the child welfare system. Using the Protective Factors framework, the Parent Support Partner helps to identify family needs and assists in system navigation to keep children safely in the home and out of the dependency system.

Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc. was awarded funding under the 2019 Family Support RFP to continue the program after the Casey Foundation funding sunset in December 2019. Beginning in January 2020, CSC began funding this pilot program.

Program review reflected that the provider experienced challenges with staff recruitment and retention. Staff turnover occurred in all three positions with an extended vacancy at the Parent Support Partner position, which is critical to successful model implementation. It is noted that the Provider made diligent efforts to overcome challenges in this pilot program.

Current Status: After careful consideration, Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc. informed staff that they would like to relinquish the Parent Partner Initiative program contract effective January 31, 2021. After extensive dialogue with the Provider and various system partners, CSC staff believes this decision will not harm the system and is recommending that the Council accept Henderson's request to cancel the contract.

Recommended Action: Approve Cancellation of Henderson Behavioral Health, Inc. Parent Partner Initiative Contract and Return Funds to Unallocated in Goal 2.1.1 for FY 20/21.

TAB 24

For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

Service Goal	6.1 Increase the number of children living in safe and nurturing families.
Objective:	6.1.2 Provide legal advocacy and support for crossover youth involved in dependency and/or delinquency systems and unaccompanied minors to improve life outcomes and for children in child welfare to reduce length of stay.
Issue:	Expansion of Legal Aid of Broward County's Legal Supports Program.
Action:	Approve Legal Aid of Broward County, Inc. Contract Expansion.
Budget Impact:	\$ 175,000 Of \$ 322,249 Available in Goal 6.1.2 for FY 20/21.

Background: Legal Aid Service of Broward County is in its second year providing services under the 2019 Legal Supports RFP. The program provides legal advocacy services to youth in the dependency or delinquency systems and crossover youth. Additionally, the program offers a legal helpline to address legal dependency and delinquency issues for youth and families living in Broward County. The program also offers legal representation/advocacy services to undocumented minors living with relatives in Broward County.

Since 2004, the Council has had an Interagency Agreement with Department of Children and Families (DCF) for reimbursement of Federal Title IV-E eligible services. In June 2019, DCF announced the federal government's eligibility and reimbursement changes to the waiver which made CSC's Family Strengthening HOMEBUILDERS' programs no longer eligible for reimbursement and instead created a new opportunity for CSC to claim reimbursement for legal representation of children in the dependency system. CSC funds these services via a contract with Legal Aid and therefore, it was deemed eligible for reimbursement. The Title IV-E reimbursement contract with DCF was signed in April 2020, and was retroactive to the October 1, 2019. For FY 19/20, CSC received \$322,249 in reimbursement for the legal representation of youth services in the dependency system of care.



At the May budget retreat, the Council approved increasing the FY 20/21 Legal Aid contract by an amount commensurate with the Title IV-E reimbursement contingent upon ongoing dependency system needs, continued program success and agency capacity supporting such an increase.

Current Status: There are 1,662 children with open court cases being served in the dependency system that would benefit from legal representation to achieve timely permanency. The Legal Aid program provided high quality legal services to the children in the dependency system with 94% of the children served in FY 19/20 meeting their legal permanency goal. Since it took a few months to determine Legal Aid's capacity to meet the need the funding is being prorated for this fiscal year and will be annualized in FY 21/22. This funding will allow Legal Aid to hire 4 staff which should allow Legal Aid to serve an additional 56 youth during the remainder of this year.

Recommended Action: Approve Legal Aid of Broward County, Inc. Contract Expansion

TAB 25



For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

- Service Goal:** 2.1 Reduce the incidence of child abuse, neglect and trauma.
- Objective:** 1.1. Reduce child abuse and neglect through the provision of effective family strengthening services to prevent child maltreatment.
- Issue:** To expand and enhance the early screening, assessment, and services for young children at risk for development delay.
- Action:** Approve Interagency Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act Agreement and Data Sharing Agreement (CAPTA) with The Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center (CDTC).
- Budget Impact:** None.
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Background: In June 2013, the Council approved the original three-year interagency Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act and Data Sharing Agreement (CAPTA) with CDTC, BSO, ChildNet and the Early Learning Coalition. CAPTA ensures children under the age of three who are involved in the child welfare system, receive subsidized childcare, Family Strengthening, MOMS and or Kinship services are identified and referred to the Early Steps program. This agreement was renewed for five additional years in September 2016.

The CAPTA collaboration developed from the Children's Strategic Plan's Baby SNAC committee, which works diligently to encourage community child-serving providers to use the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) for the early identification of children birth to 36 months at risk for developmental delays. CSC funded programs expanded the screening and referral to all children under the age of five, and children over three are referred to the School District Pre-K ESE Program via the Florida Diagnostic & Learning Resource System (FDLRS).

Current Status: Over the last five years, the Agreement has resulted in the screening and referral of over 1,702 children for further examination of possible developmental delays. CSC's Family Strengthening programs have assessed over 3,759 children resulting in 481 referrals to the Early Steps Program. The attached Agreement will be in effect until August 31, 2026. The only substantive revision is language to infuse racial equity strategies into the implementation of the Agreement has been added. Staff recommend approval of the CAPTA.

Recommended Action: Approve Interagency Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act Agreement and Data Sharing Agreement (CAPTA) with The Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center (CDTC).

CAPTA INTERAGENCY OPERATING AGREEMENT
Broward County, Florida

This Agreement is made and entered into this 1st day of September 2021 by and among the parties identified herein.

WHEREAS, the CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT ACT (CAPTA) requires that States have provisions and procedures for referring children, under the age of three, who are involved in substantiated cases of child abuse or neglect, to early intervention services under Part C of the IDEA [42 U.S.C. 5106a, Sec. 106 (b)(2)(A)(xxi)]. Florida has defined “substantiated” as any case with verified findings of child abuse or neglect.

WHEREAS, the federal INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT ACT of 2004 contains requirements regarding the identification and referral to Part C programs of children, under the age of three, who are involved in a substantiated case of abuse or neglect or who are affected by illegal substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms from prenatal drug exposure (20 U.S.C., Sections 1437(a)(6)(A) and (B)).

WHEREAS, the federal INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT, Part C, and the federal CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT ACT (CAPTA) define complimentary provisions and procedures for referring

- A. children, under the age of three, who are involved in substantiated cases of child abuse or neglect (Florida defines substantiated as verified findings) to early intervention services;
- B. infants born and identified as being affected by illegal substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms from prenatal drug exposure;

WHEREAS, the participating governmental and non-governmental Parties identified herein recognize the value of early intervention services and the importance of a comprehensive, collaborative, coordinative system of child protection services that infuse racial equity strategies.

NOW THEREFORE, this Interagency Agreement demonstrates the common commitment of these Parties (including employees, agents, representatives, consultants, and/or contractors), and defines their agreement with the terms and conditions set forth herein for ensuring that children under the age of three, who are potentially eligible for early intervention services, are identified and referred for Early Steps services and their caregivers participate in the early intervention services recommended.

RECITALS. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that the above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated by this reference.

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to ensure that children, ages birth to their third birthday, for whom there are developmental concerns and/or who are:

- A. involved in substantiated cases of abuse or neglect, or
- B. at high risk for abuse or neglect, and/or
- C. at risk of removal from their custodial care-givers, and/or
- D. infants born and identified as being affected by illegal or prescribed substances or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure, and/or
- E. identified with developmental concerns through a Children's Behavioral Health Assessment (CBHA)

are then promptly referred to the Broward / Gold Coast Early Steps Program. This Agreement describes identification, referral, and ongoing case management for early intervention services provided through the Part C system.

II. TERM OF AGREEMENT

Unless terminated earlier, the term of this Agreement shall commence on **September 1, 2021 and conclude on August 31, 2026.**

III. PARTICIPATING PARTIES

THE CHILDREN'S DIAGNOSTIC & TREATMENT CENTER, INC., Early Steps Program (hereinafter referred to as CDTC) is Broward County's lead agency for Part C, early intervention services for infants and toddlers with development delays and disabilities, as defined in the federal Individual with Disabilities Education Act. Part C is identified in Florida as Early Steps and administered by the Department of Health (DOH), Children's Medical Services. Early Steps is a statewide family-focused, multidisciplinary system of early intervention services for eligible infants and toddlers, birth to thirty-six months, with a developmental delay or an established medical condition that is likely to result in development delay. Since being authorized by the Florida Legislature, DOH has contracted CDTC to administer the Broward regional Part C Program.

And

BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE (hereinafter referred to as BSO) is a stand-alone law enforcement agency, pursuant to Florida Statute, that has responsibility for the provision of all child protective investigations in Broward County and has operated under a grant agreement with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) since 1999. BSO Child Protective Investigators (CPI) are integral to the identification of placements and supportive services, necessary to ensure the safety, security and well-being of children, and the resources necessary to stabilize their families. BSO facilitates Multidisciplinary Assessment Team (MAT) staffing of infants, birth to twelve months, who are reported as having been exposed and/or affected by substance abuse, misuse or withdrawal symptoms.

And

CHILDNET, INC. is Broward's *Community Based Care* lead agency, selected by the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), Office of Family Safety, to manage a local system of services and supports for Broward's abused, abandoned and neglected children and their caregivers. ChildNet subcontracts for services such as: residential programs, family reunification and strengthening programs, family preservation and prevention programs, assessment services and childcare services. ChildNet purchases, as necessary, individualized services, including: tutoring, legal services and specialized assessments or therapeutic interventions. ChildNet also coordinates a variety of health, educational and social services funded by other public and private systems and organizations.

And

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC. (hereinafter referred to as ELC), pursuant to Florida Statute 1002, -establishes a pre-k structure of early learning / school readiness programs. The ELC is charged with planning, developing, coordinating, overseeing and administering a comprehensive and integrated Early Care and Education System that proactively prepares Broward County's children to succeed in school and in life. The ELC and/or its contract designees provide programming that includes *financially assisted child care* services, the Voluntary Pre-K program; and early care and education support programs that include: developmental screening and assessment; professional development for early childhood teachers; child care resources; and referral to family strengthening and support services.

And

THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY (hereinafter referred to as CSC) was established by the voters in 2000 as a taxing district created to fund some of the most critical needs for Broward County's children, including providing a safe environment for children. Toward this objective, the CSC funds Family Strengthening Programs that address families with both substantiated reports of / and those at high risk of child abuse and neglect. CSC has a mission of increasing capacity in the community and provides its services through partnerships with non-profit organizations.

IV. DEFINITION OF TERMS

1. Abuse – (FL Statute 39) any willful act or threatened act that results in any physical, mental, or sexual abuse, injury, or harm that causes or is likely to cause the child's physical, mental, or emotional health to be significantly impaired. Abuse of a child includes the birth of a new child into a family during the course of an open dependency case when the parent or caregiver has been determined to lack the protective capacity to safely care for the children in the home and has not substantially complied with the case plan towards successful reunification or met the conditions for return of the children into the home. Abuse of a child

includes acts or omissions. Corporal discipline of a child by a parent or legal custodian for disciplinary purposes does not in itself constitute abuse when it does not result in harm to the child

2. Case Plan Development Process – The process during which a case plan as defined in Chapter 39 of Florida Statute, is jointly developed between the family and the designated child protective services worker, delineating specific interventions aimed at addressing the contributing factors and underlying conditions that lead to child maltreatment.
3. Community-Based Care (CBC) Program - A system of care for the provision of all child protective services, with the exception of child protective investigations. The delivery model utilizes privatized contractors to determine the needs and develop the resources for the community being served, in addition to meeting core requirements outlined in federal laws and regulations, Florida Statute or in Florida Administrative Code, or as stipulated per contract with the DCF.
4. Established condition – A physical or mental condition diagnosed by a healthcare professional that has a high probability of resulting in disability or developmental delay.
5. Evaluation - The procedures used by appropriate qualified personnel to determine a child's initial and continuing eligibility for Early Steps, including determining the status of the child in each area of development.
6. Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP) - A written care plan of early intervention services designed to meet the identified outcomes for an individual child and caregiver family that is developed by the family, evaluators, the service coordinator, service providers and others.
7. Florida Abuse Hotline Information System - 1-800 line (800-96-ABUSE / 1-800-962-2873) for reporting child abuse, neglect or abandonment, in addition to reporting abuse neglect or exploitation of vulnerable adults.
8. Lead Agency – An “eligible lead community-based provider” for DCF as defined in Section 409.988 F.S. The functions of a lead agency include the following:
 - a) Organize and manage a network of service providers;
 - b) Ensure case management for any children/families referred;
 - c) Ensure /provide all necessary services to ensure permanency;
 - d) Maintain and report required client and performance data; and
 - e) Manage financial risk (capped budget for all required services)
9. Comprehensive Behavioral Health Assessment (CBHA) – An in-depth and detailed review of the child’s family stems assessment, both clinical and direct observation, of the child’s emotional, social, behavioral and developmental functioning.
10. Multidisciplinary - An evaluation and assessment process involving activities by one or more qualified professionals from two or more disciplines working with the family and primary service coordinator to identify the needs of the child and family.

11. Neglect – (FL Statute 39) occurs when a child is deprived of, or is allowed to be deprived of, necessary food, clothing, shelter, or medical treatment or a child is permitted to live in an environment when such deprivation or environment causes the child’s physical, mental, or emotional health to be significantly impaired or to be in danger of being significantly impaired.
12. Screening - A brief assessment designed to identify infants and toddlers who are in need of more intensive diagnostic or assessment activities; the Broward community standard for a screening tool is the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ).
13. Substantiated Findings – Findings that have been *verified* in contrast to those that are *suspected*.

V. GENERAL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Each Party agrees:

1. to work proactively and cooperatively to identify children potentially eligible for services under this Agreement;
2. to promptly refer and/or facilitate the referral of these children (according to the specific referral mechanisms defined herein) for Part C, Early Steps services;
3. to recognize that the biological or adoptive parent participates in decision making for their child, unless those rights have been legally modified or terminated;
4. to support interventions that meet the needs of children determined eligible for Part C services and to encourage the capacity of their caregivers to promote their child’s optimal development;
5. Information Sharing and Records:
 - a. each Party will protect the rights of children and their families with respect to records created, maintained, and used. It is the intent of this Agreement to ensure that applicable laws and regulations for these rights be strictly followed, consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, including the protection of private health information (PHI) and other confidential disclosures of families/caregivers and children, as well as staff’s access to encrypted e-mails.
 - b. necessary information concerning children, including information received from arrest, treatment/services and the FL Abuse Hotline Information System, as well as data necessary to measure outcomes, will be shared between Parties in accordance with state and federal laws.
 - c. nonspecific child data on number of referrals and the outcome of referrals will be shared for federal and planning purposes; outcome information may be limited as agreed to by the Parties.
 - d. each party shall ensure that its contracts for services affected by this agreement shall include provisions for confidentiality of records and information;

- e. to the extent possible, Parties will reveal this agreement and include its signatories on consents for services executed by caregivers;
- f. to identify management staff to facilitate and intervene as necessary to ensure the successful implementation of this agreement;
- g. to develop and implement data collection methodologies that will efficiently and meaningfully support outcome studies and system assessment;
- h. to provide timely notification of personnel changes that would affect services to children; to identify adequate personnel to provide timely referral information; to identify a liaison to update electronic files of documents and resources;

B. Meet as necessary, but at a minimum annually, to oversee the performance under this Agreement:

- 1. review and refine operating protocols for communications, referrals, services, and reporting;
- 2. track the development and progress of local implementation plans, including the efficiency of the referral process and the access to Early Steps services; and
- 3. address any issues of mutual concern.

C. Educate and train personnel (including supervisors, case managers, protective investigators, contracted agencies or consulting entities providing related services, such as the Child Protection Team, Guardian ad Litem, and foster parents) on the following:

- 1. relevant federal and state statutes, policies, and collaborative agreements;
- 2. the roles and responsibilities of key personnel;
- 3. locally approved referral procedures; the required timelines for performing these responsibilities, including timelines established by statute and by local agreement; and
- 4. key indicators for abuse and neglect, its developmental impact, and other risk factors for developmental delays; best practices for service delivery of child protection, developmental early interventions, and other services covered by this Agreement.

D. Encourage that staff implementing this Agreement participate in:

- 1. CSC's Implicit Bias and Local History of Racism training;
- 2. The Racial Equity Institute's Groundwater Presentation and two-day Undoing Racism training if offered by the CSC and or partners; and
- 3. Promote participation in affinity groups after completing the Racial Equity training.

E. Discuss in advance any policy or operational changes that may affect the services provided or the population being served under this agreement.

VI. CHILD IDENTIFICATION AND REFERRAL PROTOCOLS

A. BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE

1. Child Protective Investigators (CPI) will facilitate Early Steps referrals for those children, birth to age three, determined to have been involved in substantiated cases of abuse or neglect and of infants born and / or identified as affected by illegal substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure;
 - a) Child Protective Investigators (CPI) will schedule cases involving children, birth to one year of age, experiencing withdrawal symptoms or directly affected by substance abuse/misuse for a Multidisciplinary Assessment Team (MAT) staffing;
 - b) CPI will document these birth-history concerns in all subsequent referrals, including those to: ChildNet, CSC Family Strengthening Programs, Child Protection Team and other community agencies that respond to child protection cases for this population;
 - c) When the families of the child victims noted above are referred to a Children's Services Council Family Strengthening Provider program and / or to Early Steps, the CPI will reinforce the importance of their participation in early intervention services;
 - 1) When the child victims noted above are placed in relative care, without judicial intervention and without CSC services, the CPI will provide the caregiver referral information for Early Steps and, as appropriate, for Kinship Initiatives for Supportive Services (KISS);
 - 2) When the child victims noted above remain with a biological/adoptive parent, without CSC services or ChildNet services, the CPI will provide the parent referral information for Early Steps and will advise the parent of the importance of early intervention services; and
 - 3) CPI will collaborate with Early Steps throughout the period of investigation, and thereafter as necessary, to facilitate identification, referral and service delivery of children identified through this Agreement.

B. Children's Services Council

1. Agencies contracted through the CSC to provide *family strengthening services* will assess the developmental status of children, birth to three years of age, using the ASQ, and as indicated, refer these children through Child Find;
 - a) families at high risk of having children removed; and

- b) kinship caregivers receiving services and supports, including legal when the biological parent is unable to provide a safe, stable placement (Kinship initiatives for Supportive Services).
- 2. CSC will train Family Strengthening providers in established procedures related to identification, referral and participation in Early Steps services;
- 3. Contracted agencies will administer an ASQ screening prior to closing the case if a child under age three is involved. The ASQ may be a valuable tool in preparing a family's case plan and would ideally be completed within 60 days of a new referral intake in order to facilitate timely interventions;
- 4. Family Strengthening Agencies will educate families regarding developmental concerns and the importance of early intervention;
 - a) Preferred practice, in order to facilitate consents, would be that the Agency representative make the Child Find referral in the presence of the parent; and
 - b) The Family Strengthening Agency should be identified as the source of the referral to facilitate data collection and outcome studies.

C. EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

- 1. The ELC, and early care and education programs, providing school readiness services, will strive to identify and facilitate referrals to Child Find for children who are suspected to have developmental challenges.
- 2. If families give consent during registration and enrollment, the ASQ will be offered by early care and education providers when caregivers initially enroll their child in their program. If families have concerns and/or the screener indicates the child's development is not age appropriate, families will be informed and will be encouraged to provide consent to the submission of a Child Find referral.
- 3. The ELC will encourage parents to opt in for a voluntary developmental screening (ASQ) for their child when they complete their on-line application for services. The ELC will follow-up with their providers to confirm that the ASQ was completed within 45 days of enrollment, and annually thereafter, for children receiving financially assisted childcare. When indicated, the ELC Inclusion Team will work with early care and education providers and/or families to submit a referral through Child Find, along with the ASQ screening report/documents, in collaboration with the parent.
 - a) Families will be informed when developmental concerns have been identified and will be educated as to the importance of following up on these concerns;
 - b) The early care and education provider will submit to Child Find, with parent consent, referrals and screening documents for children identified with developmental concerns;
 - c) The ELC Inclusion team will be available to provide additional support after submission, as needed upon request.

D. CHILDNET

1. Supportive Activities

- a) A **liaison** will be designated to research the status of children within the agency system and will be responsible for responding within **48 hours** to requests for information received from Early Steps;
- b) Liaison will provide to Early Steps the Unit, Supervisor and Advocate for each case, as well as contact information: email and phone numbers;
- c) An **administrative liaison** will be designated to facilitate all aspects and terms of this interagency agreement and to ensure compliance;
- d) Child Advocates will be responsible for confirming within **24 hours** the receipt of referral requests; and
- e) Current CAPTA/Early Steps referral documents will be maintained on the ChildNet electronic resource file.

2. Protective Supervision / In-Home Placement Referrals

- a) Child Advocates will be responsible for discussing developmental concerns with the biological parent(s) and educating them as to the importance of monitoring developmental milestones and of following-up on developmental challenges; and
- b) If the child is receiving financial-assistance from school readiness funds, thus, attending an early care and education program(ELC, Inc.), the Child Advocate will inquire as to whether child care personnel have developmental concerns and / or the results of developmental screenings administered;

3. Reunification / Adoption / Courtesy Placement Referrals

- a) Child Advocates will be responsible for discussing developmental concerns with the biological / adoptive parent(s), foster parents, relative placements, and/or other current placement caregivers; for initiating Early Steps referrals when concerns are identified; and for educating caregivers as to the importance of monitoring the child's age-appropriate milestones and of following-up on developmental challenges;
- b) If a child is receiving financial-assistance from school readiness funds;(ELC, Inc.), the Child Advocate will routinely inquire of child care personnel whether there are developmental concerns and/or the results of developmental screenings; and, when indicated, a referral to Early Steps will be facilitated; and
- c) Child Advocates will be responsible to review and redact as necessary the Comprehensive Behavioral Health Assessment (CBHA) specific to developmental concerns and to complete an Early Steps referral within **thirty calendar days**, on all children whose CBHA has identified developmental

concerns. Notwithstanding the absence of developmental concerns on the CBHA, if involved caregivers express concerns regarding a child's development, the Child Advocate will act on those concerns by completing /facilitating a referral to Early Steps.

4. Referral Documents and Procedures

- a) Based upon suspected or reported developmental concerns, Child Advocates will submit to the Broward Early Steps Program a complete referral package **within calendar thirty days** of having identified the child;
- b) In the event a 17th Circuit Judge / Magistrate recommends / orders Part C services, Child Advocates will forward the ChildNet CAPTA referral documents to Early Steps within **seven calendar days** of that directive;
- c) In the best interests of children with high risk medical conditions (i.e. infants in the NICU, CMS and medical foster care cases) and / or identified developmental challenges, Child Advocates will strive to ensure that caregivers access the early intervention services necessary to support each child's optimal developmental achievements; should impediments arise, cases will be staffed with Child Net and Early Steps staff to ensure the needs of children are appropriately addressed; and
- d) When Early Steps notifies the designated ChildNet staff of having received a referral for a child who is involved with case management services, the Child Advocate is responsible for informing the biological parent and current caregiver of the referral and for providing Early Steps programmatic information to same; further, the Child Advocate is responsible for ensuring the CAPTA referral documents are submitted **within calendar 30 days** of notification:

1) A complete CAPTA / Early Steps referral package includes:

- a. two page ChildNet CAPTA referral form (Appendix A);
- b. Early Steps Consent for Evaluation, executed by a biological parent and witnessed by Child Advocate (Appendix B);
- c. Broward Early Steps Authorization To Disclose Information, executed by a biological parent and witnessed by Child Advocate (Appendix C);
- i. When a biological parent is unavailable or unable to execute the Early Steps consents and ChildNet has placed the child in an out-of-home placement, the Child Advocate will indicate same on the referral form, will identify and authorize on the referral form, the caregiver permitted to make service decisions for the child (**Section 4 / page 2 of referral form**);
- ii. A current Court Order will be required for submission with the referral package;

- iii. When a biological parent, having been advised of the value of developmental interventions, is unwilling to execute the Early Steps consents, the Child Advocate will document and forward this information to Early Steps; if a parent's unwillingness to support developmental services is potentially harmful to the well-being of the child, the case will be staffed for presentation to the Court;
 - d. Comprehensive Behavioral Health Assessment (CBHA), a component of which is a developmental screening; and
 - e. Other documents, as necessary, i.e. medical reports, birth certificates, custody orders;
- 2) Child Advocates serving Courtesy Cases will contact the child's placement jurisdiction to obtain the necessary consents, executed by a biological parent, or to obtain legal documentation of the authority of a court appointed caregiver to provide these consents;
 - 3) ChildNet Unit Supervisors will be prepared to support Child Advocates in completing the referral package and accessing the referral documents, which will be maintained on the ChildNet electronic resource file;
 - 4) The complete referral package will be scanned and e-mailed to the Early Steps CAPTA Supervisor;
 - 5) The ChildNet Liaison and Early Steps CAPTA Supervisor will schedule monthly consultations to review the status of all pending referrals and all referrals submitted within the past sixty days;
 - 6) The ChildNet Supervisor or designee is responsible for ensuring Early Steps is informed within **48 hours** should a case be reassigned, transferred or should the child's placement change, including through reunification; and
 - 7) A change of placement requires that a new CAPTA referral form be submitted, completing this subsection of the form and that the new caregiver be informed of Early Steps services; when necessary the Advocate will also facilitate new consents.

E. CDTC / EARLY STEPS

1. Upon receipt of a referral from any source wherein the child is suspected to have child protective services involvement, the Early Steps Intake Manager will submit an information request to the identified ChildNet Liaison for confirmation that the case is open within its system;
 - a) **NICU** - Referrals for neo follow-up evaluations are received directly from five Broward neonatal intensive care units (NICUs); among these referrals are children identified as probable recipients of child protection services;

- b) **BSO / MAT** - Referrals are received directly from Child Protective Investigators at the time of MAT staffings, in coordination with a Child Advocate, or through a CPI submitting a referral to Child Find or directly to CDTC;
 - c) **Child Find** - Child Find receives referrals for children, ages birth to three years, suspected or identified to be recipients of child protection agencies, from pediatricians, parents (including foster parents), relatives, and representatives of community agencies;
 - d) **ChildNet** - Upon confirmation from the designated Liaison that the case has been assigned and receipt of contact information for the Child Advocate and Child Advocate's Supervisor, the Intake Supervisor will e-mail the Advocate, Supervisor and/or designee informing him/her of the referral;
 - i. The Early Steps Intake Supervisor will provide a referral description, instructions for completing the CAPTA referral package and known details of significance;
 - ii. Child Advocates may also originate Early Steps referrals in response to concerns revealed through direct observation, the CBHA, or requests received from caregivers or collaborative community partners;
4. The Intake Supervisor will confirm receipt of each CAPTA referral package and affirm the case is being opened;
 5. If the referral package is incomplete or inaccurate, the Intake Manager will provide the Child Advocate, the Advocate's Supervisor direction and the ChildNet Liaison guidance necessary to complete the referral;
 6. Opening cases will not be delayed by the absence of a CBHA, although ideally included in the referral package; and
 7. Early Steps will provide notice of the assigned service coordinator, the evaluation appointment and the initial IFSP to the ChildNet Liaison for distribution to the Child Advocate.

VII. CASE MANAGEMENT PROTOCOLS

A. CHILDNET

1. Child Advocates are responsible to inform the biological parents when their child is identified with developmental concerns, the importance of early intervention services, the Early Steps referral, and of their rights and responsibilities pursuant to these services;
2. Child Advocates are responsible to inform the biological parent(s) of Early Steps communications, appointments, and service plans;
 - a) As appropriate, the Child Advocate will notify the biological parent(s) of Early Steps appointments and invite the parent(s) to participate (evaluation appointment, IFSP meetings and intervention sessions);

- b) The Child Advocate will inform the Early Steps Service Coordinator and the current caregiver when the biological parent(s) desires to participate in the initial evaluation, in which case, the Child Advocate will also be expected to attend;
 - c) Early Steps sessions will not be used as a supervised parental visit and Early Steps personnel will not at any time be placed in a position of supervising same;
 - d) Consistent with “best practice” and ChildNet Policy, the assigned Child Advocate or the ChildNet Liaison may participate in the Early Steps eligibility evaluation and, as a member of the child’s treatment team, will sign the appropriate Individual Family Support Plan (IFSP) forms;
 - e) Should the Child Advocate be unable to attend the eligibility evaluation appointment, the Service Coordinator will provide the ChildNet Liaison with the IFSP for signature as a ChildNet is regarded as a member of the child’s treatment team. The IFSP will be signed and returned to Early Steps within **7 calendar days**; and
3. Child Advocates will be responsible for informing the biological parents, CMS, GAL, the Court and other involved parties of a child’s eligibility determination and service recommendations.

D. CDTC / EARLY STEPS

- 1. Early Steps will identify a Service Coordinator (case manager) for all ChildNet referrals; Child Advocates will be informed within five calendar days of opening the Early Steps case of the Service Coordinator assigned;
- 2. Child Advocates, as well as caregivers, will be copied on selected correspondence, assessments, IFSPs and will be notified of any pertinent issues related to the case;
- 3. Early Steps is responsible to conduct the child’s eligibility evaluation and develop the initial plan of care (Individual Family Support Plan) within 45 days of opening a referral;
- 4. Should Early Steps be unable to contact and/or engage the caregivers of children in the child protection system, ChildNet personnel will be notified and requested to intervene in order that the child’s developmental needs can be promptly addressed; and
- 5. The success of early intervention is greatly dependent upon the participation of the child’s caregivers and their active involvement in implementing the treatment strategies identified for the child. To that end, Early Steps will strive to inform and engage the biological family, as appropriate and in the best interests of the child.

6. **WRITTEN NOTIFICATION:**

1. Referrals are opened and *first contact* correspondence (assignment of service coordinator/case manager and program information) sent to the caregiver and the Child Advocate within **five calendar days** of receipt by the Early Steps Intake Unit;
2. Family Needs Assessments, updated ASQ screenings and evaluation appointments are to be scheduled within **45 calendar days** of receiving the referral/opening the case, predicated upon the cooperation of the caregiver; and
3. The caregiver and Child Advocate will receive notice of the Early Steps evaluation appointment date.

VIII. CDTC / EARLY STEPS SERVICE PROTOCOLS

1. The Early Steps system of supports and services is provided in accordance with the provisions of the most recent edition, and any subsequent amendments, of the Early Steps Policy Handbook and Operations Guide, (available www.cms-kids.com/EarlySteps.htm);
2. An administrative liaison will be designated to facilitate all aspects and terms of this interagency agreement and to ensure compliance;
3. Early Steps programs are available throughout Florida; however, only children who reside in Broward County are served by the Broward Early Steps Program;
4. Eligibility standards for Early Steps services are established by the State of Florida; the standardized instrument used to establish eligibility (the Battelle Developmental Inventory II) is also mandated by the State; informed clinical opinion and ancillary medical documentation will also be considered in establishing eligibility;
5. Although Early Steps provides services to children, birth to their third birthday, new referrals for children within 45 days of their third birthday should be made directly to Child Find, as Early Steps is unlikely to complete the eligibility evaluation prior to the child turning three; Child Find will, instead, schedule a Part B screening date; and
6. Six months prior to an eligible child's third birthday, Early Steps will begin preparations for the child's transition to Broward County School Board, Part B, services or other community resources.

7. EVALUATION AND PLANS OF CARE

- a) The child's current caregiver is expected to participate in the Early Steps eligibility evaluation/developmental assessment appointment, at which time the results will be thoroughly explained to the caregiver;

- b) If the child is determined to be *ineligible*, the caregiver will be informed at the evaluation appointment and the caregiver will receive a copy of the evaluation scores; the caregiver will receive a Prior Notice of case closure;
 - c) If the child is determined *eligible*, the caregiver will participate in the development of an Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP) that addresses the area(s) of delay; the caregiver will receive copies of the initial and all subsequent IFSPs.
8. If the child is determined eligible for Early Steps services, the Service Coordinator will identify an Early Steps enrolled service provider within the Broward provider network; services will be coordinated with the caregiver and authorized within **30 calendar days** of completion of the Individual Family Support Plan;
 9. Early Steps IFSP service plans will be reviewed and updated at a minimum of every six months, or as warranted; and
 10. Early Steps is responsible for facilitating Early Steps eligible children's transition to the Broward County School Board Part B services or other community resources.

IX. CDTC / EARLY STEPS COLLABORATIONS

A. BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE

- a) Early Steps will code these referrals for data collection and analysis;
- b) An Early Steps representative will participate in MAT staffings; when indicated, the representative will recommend and facilitate a Part C referral; and
- c) Early Steps staff will communicate with CPI in response to requests for case information and recommendations; Early Steps staff may, from time-to-time, request the support of CPI in communicating and coordinating with families.

B. CHILDNET

- a) Early Steps will code these referrals for data collection and analysis;
- b) Early Steps will schedule Team Meetings w/ Units, as requested; and
- c) Early Steps will facilitate Leadership Meetings for system evaluation.

C. EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

- a) Early Steps will code referrals received for data collection and analysis;
- b) Early Steps will implement strategies to maximize the participation of families referred through the ELC and/or its contracted designees; and
- c) Early Steps will encourage the collaboration and participation of early care and education program staff at assessments, treatment planning and transition meetings.

D. CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY / Family Strengthening Agencies

- a) Early Steps will code these referrals for data collection and analysis;
- b) Referring case managers, with family consent, may request to be notified of referral outcomes and case plans for the duration the case remains open to the referring agency;
- c) An ASQ screening shall inform the Early Steps referrals; developmental concerns will be reported to Child Find to document referral; and
- d) Early Steps will administer a current ASQ within 45 days of the case being opened; If no developmental concerns are identified parents may opt to forego the comprehensive, multidisciplinary eligibility evaluation; the case will be closed and the Service Coordinator will provide the caregiver the closure letter and ASQ screening summary.

X. Interagency Dispute Process

In the event that a dispute arises regarding this Agreement between any of the parties, the aggrieved party shall send a notice to the other party setting forth the basis of the dispute and shall copy the remaining parties. The parties shall arrange for appropriate administrators to meet within thirty (30) working days of the service of said notice to attempt to amicably resolve the pending dispute. In the event that such efforts do not resolve the dispute, the aggrieved party may take such action as it deems appropriate.

XI. General Conditions

- A. No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.** Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable.
- B. Mutual Indemnification.** Each agency (consistent with relevant Florida statutes) shall, to the extent allowed by Florida Statutes, indemnify, defend and hold all others, including officers, agents and employees, harmless from all claims, suits, judgments, or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs arising out of any act, actions, errors, misconduct, negligence, neglect or omissions by said Agency, its employees or agents, relating to the performance or operation of this Agreement.
- C. Relationship of the Parties.** For purposes of this Agreement, each Party is operating as an independent entity. Nothing herein shall create or shall be construed as creating a partnership, joint venture, agency or any other relationship between the parties. No employees or representatives will be deemed or construed to be an employee of another Party for any reason, including but not limited to the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, any workers' compensation laws or income tax withholding laws. Each Party shall have sole

responsibility for the payment of all federal, state, and local taxes applicable to that Party's services and services provided by the Agency's employees, agents, independent contractors, and volunteers under this Agreement.

- D. No Third Party Beneficiaries.** Each Party expressly acknowledges that it is not its intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. Neither of the Parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third Party by this Agreement. Each Party agrees that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the Agencies based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract.
- E. Non-Discrimination.** The Parties hereto shall not discriminate against any employee or participant in the performance of the duties, responsibilities, and obligations under this Agreement because of race, age, religion, color, gender, national origin, marital status, disability or sexual orientation.
- F. Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other Parties of its desire to terminate this Agreement.
- G. Records.** Each Party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each Agency shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to applicable Florida Statutes governing public records and disclosure.
- H. Entire Agreement.** This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements and understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and each Party agrees that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the Agencies agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.
- I. Amendments.** No modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same or similar formality as this Agreement and executed by each Party hereto.
- J. Preparation of Agreement.** The Parties acknowledge that they have sought and obtained whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to herein expresses their mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the Parties than the other.

- K. Waiver.** The Agencies agree that each requirement, duty and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof. Any Agency's failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement. A waiver of any breach of a provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement.
- L. Compliance with Laws.** Each Party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

Each party agrees that **if** it provides patient care items or services, or performs billing or coding functions on behalf of CDTC under this Agreement, it shall complete at least one hour of training on the Anti-Kickback Statute and the Stark Law in accordance with the training plan of Broward Health/CDTC under its Corporate Integrity Agreement, effective as of August 31, 2015 between Broward Health and the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Each party shall provide its department with a copy of Broward Health's Code of Conduct and its policies and procedures regarding the Anti-Kickback Statute and Stark Law. Each of the parties certifies that it shall not violate the Anti-Kickback Statute and the Stark Law, as applicable, with regards to the performance of this Agreement.

- M. Governing Law/Venue.** This Agreement has been executed and delivered in, and shall be interpreted, construed and enforced pursuant to and in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. All duties and obligations of the Agencies created hereunder are performable in Broward County, Florida and Broward County, Florida shall be the sole and exclusive venue for any dispute, litigation, special proceeding or other proceedings as between the Agencies that may be brought or arise out of or in connection with or by reason of this Agreement.
- N. Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Agencies hereto and their respective successors and assigns.
- O. Assignment.** Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein may be assigned, transferred or encumbered by any Agency without the prior written consent of each Agency hereto. There shall be no partial assignments of this Agreement including, without limitation, the partial assignment of any right to receive payments.
- P. Force Majeure.** Neither of the Parties shall be obligated to perform any duty, requirement or obligation under this Agreement if such performance is prevented by fire, hurricane, earthquake, explosion, wars, sabotage, accident, flood, acts of God, strikes, or other labor disputes, riot or civil commotions, or by reason of any other matter or condition beyond the control of either of the Agencies, and which cannot be overcome by reasonable diligence and without

unusual expense (“Force Majeure”). In no event shall a lack of funds on the part of either of the Agencies be deemed Force Majeure.

- Q. Place of Performance.** All obligations under the terms of this Agreement are reasonably susceptible of being performed in Broward County, Florida and shall be payable and performable in Broward County, Florida.
- R. Allocation of Resources.** The Agencies agree to communicate and, where possible and allowed under law, coordinate services provided under this Agreement to ensure the effective and efficient use of funds and agree to maximize all available funding sources. Funds used for services by each Agency pursuant to this Agreement shall not supplant other existing treatment funding.
- S. Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void in any respect, the invalidity, illegality, unenforceability or unlawful or void nature of that provision shall not affect any other provision and this Agreement shall be considered as if such invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void provision had never been included herein.
- T. Notice.** When any of the Parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the Agency/Agencies for whom it is intended at the place last specified; the place for giving notice shall remain such until it is changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the Parties hereto designate the following as the respective places for giving notice:

To: **BROWARD SHERIFF’S OFFICE**
With a Copy to:
Gregory Tony, as Sheriff of Broward County
2601 W. Broward Blvd.
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

To: **CHILDNET**
With a Copy to:
Larry Rein, CEO/President
1100 W. McNab Rd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

To: **EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF BROWARD, INC.**
With a Copy to:
Renee Jaffe, CEO
1475 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 301
Ft Lauderdale, FL 33309

To: **CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL**
With a Copy to:
Cindy Arenberg Seltzer
President/CEO
Children's Services Council of Broward County
6600 West Commercial Boulevard,
Lauderhill, FL 33319

To: **CHILDREN'S DIAGNOSTIC & TREATMENT CENTER, INC.**
With a Copy to:
Ana Calderon Randazzo, Ph.D, Administrator
Ellie Schrot, Director, Broward Early Steps
1401 South Federal Highway
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

- U. Captions/Headings.** The captions or headings, section numbers, article numbers, title and headings appearing in this Agreement are inserted only as a matter of convenience and in no way define, limit, construe or describe the scope or intent of such articles or sections of this Agreement, nor in any way effect this Agreement and shall not be construed to create a conflict with any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- V. Authority.** Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of their respective Agency individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Agency for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such Agency with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.
- W. Timelines.** This Agreement shall become effective for the term of twelve months upon full execution. Renewal shall be reviewed by all Parties annually, no less than ninety (90) days prior to expiration, and any Party may request an amendment. Any proposed amendments or modifications shall be submitted in writing at least thirty (30) days prior to formal discussion or negotiation in the issue. Any amendments shall become effective only if agreed to in writing observing all the formalities of this Agreement. Either Party may terminate this Agreement without cause and for its convenience by giving thirty (30) calendar days' written notice.
- X. Changes in Law.**
- a. In the event that there is a change in a statute, regulation or the application or interpretation thereof, or the adoption of new legislation which may otherwise make this Agreement illegal or unenforceable, the Parties agree to use their best efforts to agree upon modifications to this Agreement which will make it legal and enforceable. If after using best efforts, the Agencies are unable to reach any such agreement, then either party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other Parties.

b. In the event there is a change in a statute, regulation or the application of interpretation thereof, or the adoption of new legislation which materially affects any of the Parties' duties and/or responsibilities under this Agreement, the Parties agree to use their best efforts to agree upon modifications to this Agreement which will allow for the execution of the parties' duties and/or responsibilities which are consistent with new trends or laws and beneficial to the community. If, after using best efforts the Agencies are unable to reach any such agreement, then either party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other Parties.

Y. Insurance. Each Party shall either be self-insured pursuant to the requirements of Florida law, as amended from time to time, or otherwise provide proof of insurance to each of the other Parties hereto, pursuant to agreed terms to be added hereto as "First Addendum", if so necessary.

Z. Publicity. Without limitation, the Parties and their employees, agents, and representatives will not, without prior written consent of each of the other Parties hereto, in each instance, use in advertising, publicity or other promotional endeavor, either of the other Parties' logo, name, the name of any other Parties' employee or officer, or represent, directly or indirectly, that any product or service provided by a Party has been endorsed by any of the other Parties, or refer to the existence of this Agreement in press releases, advertising or materials distributed to the Parties prospective clients.

AA. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, and by facsimile signatures, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall constitute a single agreement.

Each Agency, by the signature below of its authorized representative, hereby acknowledges that he/she has read this agreement, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its terms.

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

FOR: BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE

By: Gregory Tony, as Sheriff of Broward County

Date: _____

FOR: CHILDNET, INC.

By: Larry Rein, CEO/President

Date: _____

FOR: EARLY LEARNING COALITION, INC.

By: Renee Jaffe, CEO

Date: _____

FOR: CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD

By: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO

Date: _____

FOR CHILDREN'S DIAGNOSTIC & TREATMENT CENTER

By: Ana Calderon Randazzo, Ph.D., Administrator

Date: _____

TAB 26

For Council Meeting February 18, 2021

Service Goal	1.1 Support provider agency efforts to enhance their infrastructure and service delivery effectiveness.
Objective:	1.1.1 Provide training, coaching and technical assistance to improve organizational effectiveness.
Issue:	CSC Broward Training Collaborative Procurement Action.
Action:	Approve Source Experts for Training Cadre RFQ Rating Committees, as presented.
Budget Impact:	None.

Background: To complement and enhance the quality of the programs and services we have funded for 20 years; CSC has made quality trainings accessible and affordable to over 45,000 professionals working with children and families in Broward County. These comprehensive and dynamic training opportunities serve to increase knowledge and skill levels, and promote professional development for the staff of Broward's child and family serving nonprofits.

Current Status: The eligibility/contract for trainers procured through the third Trainer Cadre Request for Qualifications (RFQ), released in April 2018 is set to expire on September 30, 2021. To continue engaging the most proficient and skilled local trainers in relevant subject areas, a new Training Cadre will be selected through a new RFQ to be released in April 2021. The process opens participation to training experts in the following categories: Youth Development; Behavioral and Mental Health; Leadership and Professional Development; Capacity Building; Inclusion and Diversity, and Specialty Topics. The RFQ is expected to receive at least 80 proposals and, to that end, six Rating Committees are anticipated. In addition to any Council members who wish to serve on the Committee, it is recommended that the individuals listed on the attached chart be approved as the Evaluation Committee source experts.

Recommended Action: Approve Source Experts for Training Cadre RFQ Rating Committees, as presented.

NAME	TITLE	ORGANIZATION
Billie Morgan	Training and Staff Development Director	211 First Call for Help
Sarah Schwartz-Cuscutis	Grants Manager	ARC Broward
Darius Daughtry	Founder/Artistic Director	Art Prevails Project
Roberta Murphy	Director of Human Resources	Boys and Girls Club of Broward County
Aneatra S. King	Curriculum specialist	Broward County Public Schools
Jacqueline Lashbrook	Program Coordinator	BSO Juvenile Assessment Center
Michelle Disorbo	Executive Director	Camelot Community Care
Olivia Angeli	Assistant Director of Educational Programs	Center for Hearing and Communication
Brooke Sherman	Sr. Programs Manager	Children's Services Council of Broward County
Erin Byrne	Assistant Director of Program Services	Children's Services Council of Broward County
Michelle Hagues	Senior Programs Manager	Children's Services Council of Broward County
Marissa Grief Hackett	Research Manager	Children's Services Council of Broward County
Michelle Hamilton	Director, HR	Children's Services Council of Broward County
Courtney Kambobe	Director of Programs	Crockett Foundation
Allison Metsch	Director of Education	Early Learning Coalition

Lisa Math	Director, Family S.T.A.R. program	Family Network on Disabilities
Rehana Seepersad	Training Manager	Florida Department of Education
Michelle R. Kenney, Esq	Attorney	GAPS Legal, PLLC
Kathy Wint	Director of Community Engagement	Hands on Broward
Dale Mandell	President/CEO	Hands on Broward
Cynthia Gilmore	Director of Programs	HANDY
April Bailey	CEO	Hilson Management
Heather Siskind	Executive Director	Jack and Jill Center
Evan Goldman	VP Community Planning	Jewish Federation of Broward County
Rabbi Arnold Samlan	Chief Jewish Ed. Officer	Jewish Federation of Broward County
Jen Appel	Digital Marketing Media Manager	Jewish Federation of Broward County
Annette Gardiner	Chief Human Resources & Compliance Officer	Kids In Distress Inc.
Walter Honaman	Supervising Attorney, Children's Advocacy Program	Legal Aid Of Broward County
Ericka Peoples	Administrative Assistant	Legal Aid Of Broward County
Cammie Cacace	Manager HYT	Memorial Health Care System
Liz Meyers	Director, Parent Education/Parent Support	Mental Health Association

Shaba Kojo Jua Kanuri	President Shoolay Inc	Shoolay, Inc.
Donna Lavallo	Co Director	Smith Community Mental Health
Christine Frederick	Executive Director	The Flite Center
Maria Vo	Director of Business Development	The Flite Center
Aisha McDonald	Training Manager	United Way of Broward County
Janine Ribeiro	Director, Health initiatives and substance abuse	United Way of Broward County
Tanja Francis	Program officer	United Way of Broward County
Courtnee Biscardi	Sr Vice President of Operations and Strategy	Urban League Of Broward County
Donna Marshall	Senior Director of Human Resources	Urban League Of Broward County
Alice Byrd	VP of Youth Development	YMCA
Kerith Cobourne	Associate Executive Director	YMCA

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Service Goal	2.2 Children live in financially stable environments.
Objective:	2.2.2 Assist families to achieve financial stability through promoting EITC, workforce development, providing financial coaching and emergency basic needs.
Issue:	Update on VITA/EITC Efforts in the “New Normal”
Action:	FYI
Budget Impact:	None

Background: The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is available for low- and moderate-income wage earners. The CSC began promoting EITC through a public awareness collaborative in 2002. Since then, EITC returns in Broward have increased by over \$600 million. Over the years, the CSC’s focus has shifted from outreach to increased capacity at free tax-preparation Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites, where clients have their returns professionally filed at no cost. They also receive access to additional services such as SNAP (Food Stamps), KidCare, WIC and Financial Literacy materials. During tax season, VITA sites are operated by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and community partners such as Hispanic Unity of Florida (HUF), Community Access Center (CAC) and the Center for Independent Living (CIL) and are staffed by IRS trained volunteer preparers recruited by HandsOn Broward.

At the onset of the COVID-19 outbreak during the 2020 filing season, HUF and other VITA Collaborative partners pivoted to support Broward tax filers by closing the 16 physical sites, established a VITA Program Hotline and connected them to a new virtual free tax preparation platform. Despite the challenges, the VITA program served over 3,400 Broward families, providing them with over four million dollars in tax returns, with an economic impact of five million dollars.

Current Status: HUF continues to offer fully virtual filing services. The Broward VITA Collaborative has been rebranded Broward Tax Pro. HUF continues to provide the Broward Tax Pro (VITA) Program Hotline to provide relevant updates and connect filers



to the virtual free tax preparation platform which will relaunch on February 15th. Extended service hours will be offered at the onset to then return to a normal schedule. The hotline will again provide detailed information and support for callers in three languages – English, Spanish and Creole. HUF will provide free tax preparations using a fully virtual intake platform – www.getyourrefund.org, to comply with IRS filing dates. HUF's Broward Tax Pro Program will maintain four key tenets of the traditional VITA model:

- Accessibility of services
- Client privacy and confidentiality
- Upholding the IRS quality site requirements
- Providing services in multiple languages - English, Spanish and Creole.

Volunteers through HandsOn Broward will continue to facilitate the program, including 25 volunteers who will be returning from last tax season and 20 newly trained ones. Tax season is scheduled to end on April 15th.

Recommended Action: FYI

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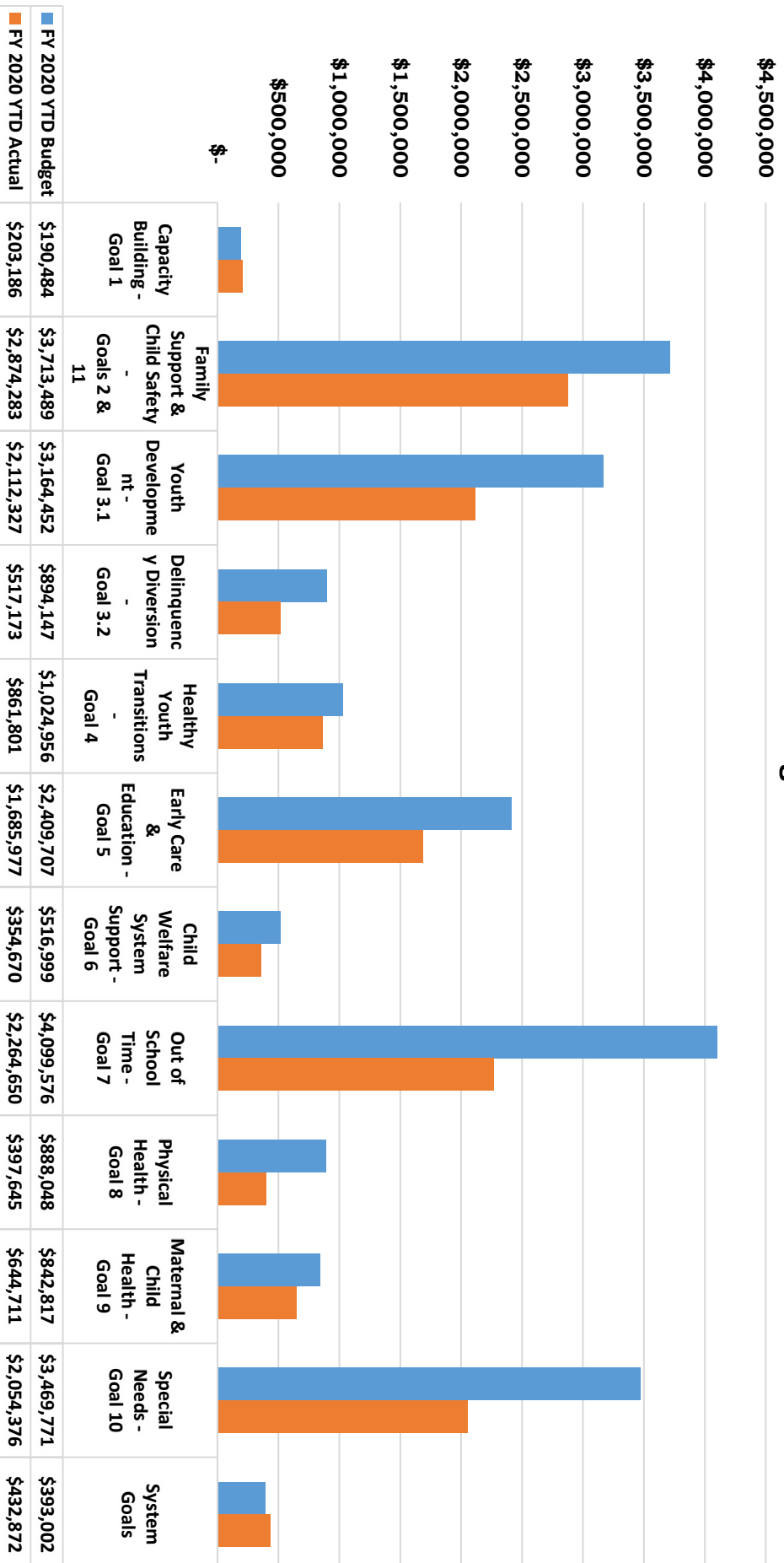
- Issue:** Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements for the Period Ending January 31, 2021
- Action:** Approve Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements for Period Ending January 31, 2021
- Budget Impact:** None
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Background: The Budget Amendments and Interim Financial Statements through January 31, 2021 are attached for your review and approval. While the statements are through the period end, they only include expenditures for program services provided through December 2020 since programmatic billing runs a month behind. However, the administrative costs are presented through the end of January.

Current Status: The major financial highlights of the period include:

- ◆ **88% Of Revenue Collected:** As of January 31, 2021, CSC has collected \$87M in tax revenue receipts, which is approximately 88.44% of the \$98.3M annual tax revenue budget and at a rate that is similar to this time last fiscal year. Most tax revenues are received in the month of December as many property owners take advantage of the 4% discount for paying their taxes promptly. Interest received from investments to date total \$25,386, which is 90% less than interest earned last year of \$278,666. This variance is primarily due to some longer-term investments that mature later in the year at which time the interest will be recognized.
- ◆ **Non School Based programs are slightly underutilized:** The Program Goals report, (starting on page 6) presents utilization by detail for most CSC-funded programs. As you will see, generally non-school based programs are maintaining their own and are only slightly underutilized. Conversely, school-based programs are significantly underutilized and are working to find creative ways to engage those students that are struggling. It is also anticipated that Summer may be an opportunity to resume a more “normal” service delivery. For those programs that have large variances between Percent of Budget and Ideal, comments are noted outlining the individual circumstances for that program.
- ◆ The chart below provides a visual comparison of the budgeted and actual year to date program expenditures.

Program Services Budget to Actual Expenditures YTD through 12.31.2020



Recommended Action: Approve Budget Amendments and Financial Statements for Period Ending January 31, 2021.



BUDGET AMENDMENTS
For The Four Month Period Ended
January 31, 2021

Submitted to Council Meeting February 18, 2021



Children's Services Council of Broward County Budget Amendments for Period Ended January 31, 2021

Description	Beginning Budget Annualized	Total Amendments	Ending Budget Annualized	Comments
Budget Amendments reflected in the financial statements:				
Revenues:				
Community Collaboration	\$ 60,375.00	\$ 1,360.00	\$ 61,735.00	Revenue commitment for Back to School program CA 9/24/2020.
Service Goals:				
Reduce Abuse & Neglect , Goal 2.1.1.	\$ 11,139,374.00	\$ (80,500.00)	\$ 11,058,874.00	Hope So FL Homeless program moved to Financial Stability, Goal 2.2.2
Hunger, Goal 2.2.1	\$ 1,063,193.00	\$ (320,727.00)	\$ 742,466.00	Hispanic Unity EITC program moved to Financial Stability, Goal 2.2.2
Financial Stability, Goal 2.2.2	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	Reallocated from Unallocated to establish budget for new goal. CA 01/21/21
Financial Stability, Goal 2.2.2	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 320,727.00	\$ 1,320,727.00	Hispanic Unity EITC program moved from Goal 2.2.1
Financial Stability, Goal 2.2.2	\$ 1,320,727.00	\$ 80,500.00	\$ 1,401,227.00	Hope So FL Homeless program moved from Goal 2.1.1
Youth Development, Goal 3.1.1	\$ 6,739,195.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 6,751,695.00	Reallocated from Unallocated for TOP Training CA 01/21/21
Out-of-School, Goal 7.1.2	\$ 13,965,062.00	\$ 1,360.00	\$ 13,966,422.00	Revenue commitment for Back to School program CA 9/24/2020.
Unallocated	\$ 3,074,107.00	\$ (1,012,500.00)	\$ 2,061,607.00	Reallocated to various goals as noted above.



**INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Four Month Period Ended
January 31, 2021**

Submitted to Council Meeting February 18, 2021



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Children's Services Council of Broward County
Balance Sheet
January 31, 2021

ASSETS	General Fund	Prior Year
	January 31, 2021	General Fund
	January 31, 2021	January 31, 2020
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 2,996,039.03	\$ 3,207,029.59
Investments (Note 3)	106,144,489.27	81,465,900.89
Accounts & Interest Receivable	2,948.31	26,025.00
Due from Other Governments	2,377,359.43	-
Prepaid Expenses	152,443.37	134,303.01
Total Current Assets	\$ 111,673,279.41	\$ 84,833,258.49
 LIABILITIES and FUND EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	1,946,686.55	131,501.14
Salaries & Wages Payable	364,387.26	316,320.18
Deferred Revenue	655,296.68	-
Total Liabilities	2,966,370.49	447,821.32
Fund Equity:		
Assigned for contracts/expenditures (Note #4)	10,608,301.39	5,887,560.67
Assigned for Administration (Note #5)	6,588,609.30	6,784,378.29
Assigned for Encumbrances	71,390,474.78	64,663,876.55
Committed For Building Fund (Note #6)	3,000,000.00	-
Unassigned Fund Balance: Minimum Fund Balance	10,453,745.00	10,125,617.70
Unassigned Fund Balance (Note #7)	6,665,778.45	(3,075,996.04)
Total Fund Equity	108,706,908.92	84,385,437.17
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 111,673,279.41	\$ 84,833,258.49

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



Children's Services Council of Broward County
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balance
For October 2020 through September 2021

	January 2021 Actual	General Fund FY 2021 YTD Actual	General Fund FY 2020 YTD Actual (GF)
Revenues:			
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 2,594,582.31	\$ 87,015,335.23	\$ 81,976,651.06
Interest on Investments (Note #8)	7,800.43	25,386.74	278,666.18
Fed thru State - Title IV E Foster Care	-	-	-
Fed thru State - Title IV E Adoption	-	-	-
Fed through State - AEAP	-	-	-
Local Foundation(s)/Grant	-	886,789.07	828,688.29
Local Collab. Events & Resources	5,025.77	24,704.77	74,830.64
Training	1,260.00	2,545.00	6,540.00
Total Revenue	\$ 2,608,668.51	\$ 87,954,760.81	\$ 83,165,376.17
Expenditures:			
Contracted Programs:			
Total Program Services/Support (Note #9)	662,047.23	16,573,358.39	19,420,456.96
Total General Administration	272,382.91	1,172,225.89	1,141,636.33
Total Non-Operating	-	2,925,395.55	3,210,656.85
Total Capital Outlay	-	47,181.94	82,848.18
Total Expenditures	934,430.14	20,718,161.77	23,855,598.32
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	\$ 1,674,238.37	67,236,599.04	59,309,777.85
Beginning Fund Balance		41,470,309.88	25,075,386.32
Ending Fund Balance		\$ 108,706,908.92	\$ 84,385,164.17



**Children's Services Council of Broward County
Budget to Actual (Budgetary Basis)
Annualized - Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021**

	FY 2021 Annual Budget	FY 2021 YTD Actual	FY 2021 Encumbrances	Annualized Encumbrances & Actual Exp.	Budget to Actual Variance	% of Actual Exp. Of Budget
Revenues:						
Local Sources:						
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 98,384,555.00	\$ 87,015,335.23	\$ -	\$ 87,015,335.23	\$ (11,369,219.77)	88.44%
Interest on Investments	200,000.00	25,386.74	-	25,386.74	(174,613.26)	12.69%
Fed Through State IV-E Foster Care	90,000.00	-	-	-	(90,000.00)	0.00%
Fed Through State IV-E Adoption	66,000.00	-	-	-	(66,000.00)	0.00%
Fed through State - AEAP	596,818.00	-	-	-	(596,818.00)	0.00%
Local Foundation(s)/Grant(s)	1,541,380.00	886,789.07	-	886,789.07	(654,590.93)	57.53%
Local Collab. Events & Resources	61,735.00	24,704.77	-	24,704.77	(37,030.23)	40.02%
Training	10,000.00	2,545.00	-	2,545.00	(7,455.00)	25.45%
Fund Balance	10,299,754.00	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Total Revenues	111,250,242.00	87,954,760.81	-	87,954,760.81	(12,995,727.19)	79.06%
Expenditures:						
Program Services:						
Direct Programs	95,438,756.00	14,403,671.62	70,425,287.99	84,828,959.61	10,609,796.39	88.88%
Outcomes	32,000.00	11,375.00	-	11,375.00	20,625.00	35.55%
Program/Financial Monitors	68,000.00	-	29,725.00	29,725.00	38,275.00	43.71%
Total Program Services	95,538,756.00	14,415,046.62	70,455,012.99	84,870,059.61	10,668,696.39	88.83%
Program Support:						
Employee Salaries	4,720,765.00	1,548,363.03	-	1,548,363.03	3,172,401.97	32.80%
Employee Benefits	2,032,512.00	559,119.37	-	559,119.37	1,473,392.63	27.51%
Consulting	24,400.00	1,027.00	5,058.00	6,085.00	18,315.00	24.94%
Travel	50,000.00	672.06	-	672.06	49,327.94	1.34%
Software Maintenance	37,739.00	22,687.20	4,000.00	26,687.20	11,051.80	70.72%
Telephone	25,000.00	4,971.84	3,794.16	8,766.00	16,234.00	35.06%
Postage	3,000.00	250.71	1,749.29	2,000.00	1,000.00	66.67%
Advertising/Printing/Other	83,174.00	15,940.73	52,660.01	68,600.74	14,573.26	82.48%
Material and Supplies	7,770.00	-	750.00	750.00	7,020.00	9.65%
Dues and Fees	47,005.00	5,279.83	17,207.20	22,487.03	24,517.97	47.84%
Total Program Support	7,031,365.00	2,158,311.77	85,218.66	2,243,530.43	4,787,834.57	31.91%
Total Program Services/Support	102,570,121.00	16,573,358.39	70,540,231.65	87,113,590.04	15,456,530.96	84.93%



Children's Services Council of Broward County
Budget to Actual (Budgetary Basis)
Annualized - Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	FY 2021 Annual Budget	FY 2021 YTD Actual	FY 2021 Encumbrances	Annualized Encumbrances & Actual Exp.	Budget to Actual Variance	% of Actual Exp. Of Budget
General Administration:						
Employee Salaries	2,045,187.00	654,355.62		654,355.62	1,390,831.38	31.99%
Employee Benefits	919,205.00	260,830.94		260,830.94	658,374.06	28.38%
Legal Fees	40,000.00	7,696.00	32,304.00	40,000.00	-	100.00%
Auditors	35,500.00	33,500.00	2,000.00	35,500.00	-	100.00%
Other Consultants	89,827.00	2,100.00	37,100.00	39,200.00	50,627.00	43.64%
Insurance	59,017.00	20,822.12		20,822.12	38,194.88	35.28%
Telecommunications	63,000.00	15,768.51	39,735.45	55,503.96	7,496.04	88.10%
Rental - Equipment	44,474.00	6,379.60	14,594.40	20,974.00	23,500.00	47.16%
Building Operations (Note#10)						
Facilities Management	173,063.00	35,202.47	115,858.53	151,061.00	22,002.00	87.29%
Utilities	74,500.00	16,262.13	55,937.87	72,200.00	2,300.00	96.91%
Other Building Operations	181,227.00	512.00	12,708.00	13,220.00	168,007.00	7.29%
Equip/Software/Repair Maint	110,770.00	52,258.46	3,000.00	55,258.46	55,511.54	49.89%
Repairs and Maintenance	50,972.00	9,259.54	21,824.90	31,084.44	19,887.56	60.98%
Travel	35,000.00	40.37		40.37	34,959.63	0.12%
Postage	8,000.00	203.92	6,296.08	6,500.00	1,500.00	81.25%
Printing & Advertising	22,670.00	40.00	13,500.00	13,540.00	9,130.00	59.73%
Other Purchased Svc.	140,294.00	48,659.18	88,899.15	137,558.33	2,735.67	98.05%
Materials and Supplies	64,379.00	3,575.03	34,388.95	37,963.98	26,415.02	58.97%
Dues and Fees	41,640.00	4,760.00	3,378.80	8,138.80	33,501.20	19.55%
Total General Administration	4,198,725.00	1,172,225.89	481,526.13	1,653,752.02	2,544,972.98	39.39%
Non-Operating:						
Community Redevelopment Agency (Note#11)	3,433,652.00	2,621,916.55		2,621,916.55	811,735.45	76.36%
Property Appraiser/Tax Collector Fees	631,519.00	303,479.00	328,040.00	631,519.00	-	100.00%
Total Non-Operating	4,065,171.00	2,925,395.55	328,040.00	3,253,435.55	811,735.45	80.03%
Capital Outlay:						
Computer Equipment/Software	367,999.00	23,953.94	15,679.00	39,632.94	328,366.06	10.77%
Furniture/Equipment	24,998.00		24,998.00	24,998.00	-	100.00%
Improvements Othr Than Bldg	23,228.00	23,228.00		23,228.00	-	100.00%
Total Capital Outlay	416,225.00	47,181.94	40,677.00	87,858.94	328,366.06	21.11%
Total Expenditures	\$ 111,250,242.00	\$ 20,718,161.77	\$ 71,390,474.78	\$ 92,108,636.55	\$ 19,141,605.45	82.79%

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



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	Program invoice - Prior Month		Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021			% of Budget	Ideal @ December	Comments
	December Budget	December Actual	Annualized Budget	YTD Actual Expenditures	Remaining Budget			
Servcies Goals:								
<i>Training/ Technical Assistance</i>								
Training	4,750.00	4,750.00	51,850.00	13,900.00	37,950.00	26.81%	25.00%	
Unallocated - Training			48,150.00		48,150.00	0.00%		
Total Training/ Technical Assistance	4,750.00	4,750.00	100,000.00	13,900.00	86,100.00	13.90%		
<i>Organization & Program Quality</i>								
Mini Grants	12,000.00	12,000.00	134,000.00	66,000.00	68,000.00	49.25%		
Consultant	3,924.00	20,001.93	221,277.00	20,001.93	201,275.07	9.04%		
Leadership Initiatives	4,000.00	4,000.00	40,000.00	4,000.00	36,000.00	10.00%		
Unallocated-Support Organizational Development			4,694.00		4,694.00	0.00%		
Total Organization & Program Quality	19,924.00	36,001.93	399,971.00	90,001.93	309,969.07	22.50%		
<i>Fiscal Support</i>								
Com Reconstruction Housing FS Alex Rebb-Fam St	2,084.00	2,083.25	25,000.00	6,250.00	18,750.00	25.00%	25.00%	
Comm Based Connec/FS Alex Rebb-LT	769.00	769.00	9,228.00	2,307.00	6,921.00	25.00%	25.00%	
Community Based Connection FS Alex Rebb-PEACE	1,314.00	1,314.33	15,772.00	3,942.99	11,829.01	25.00%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-Fam St	399.00	398.83	4,786.00	1,196.49	3,589.51	25.00%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-MOST SN	614.00	614.42	7,373.00	1,843.26	5,529.74	25.00%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-STEP	643.00	643.25	7,719.00	1,929.75	5,789.25	25.00%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-Yth Force	427.00	426.83	5,122.00	1,280.49	3,841.51	25.00%	25.00%	
HOMES FS KIDS HYT	594.00	593.92	7,127.00	1,781.76	5,345.24	25.00%	25.00%	
New Mirawood -FS KIDS -MOST	1,708.00	1,708.33	20,500.00	5,124.99	15,375.01	25.00%	25.00%	
Our Children Our Future FS Alex Rebb-Yth Force	1,010.00	1,010.42	12,125.00	3,031.26	9,093.74	25.00%	25.00%	
So FL Hunger: Breakspot FS Meals on Wheels	776.00	776.33	9,316.00	2,328.99	6,987.01	25.00%	25.00%	
So FL Hunger: Mobile School Pantry	591.00	590.75	7,089.00	1,772.25	5,316.75	25.00%	25.00%	
Unallocated-Fiscal Sponsor			36,823.00		36,823.00	0.00%		
Total Fiscal Support	10,929.00	10,929.66	167,980.00	32,789.23	135,190.77	19.52%		
<i>Volunteers</i>								
Volunteer Broward	24,025.00	22,199.27	288,297.00	66,495.11	221,801.89	23.06%	25.00%	
Total Volunteers	24,025.00	22,199.27	288,297.00	66,495.11	221,801.89	23.06%		
Total Agency Capacity								
<i>Reduce Abuse & Neglect</i>								
Advocacy Network on Disabiliti	17,707.00	13,409.40	212,504.00	42,073.85	170,430.15	19.80%	25.00%	
ARC, INC - PAT	54,341.00	44,747.99	652,103.00	152,061.57	500,041.43	23.32%	25.00%	
Boys & Girls Club	31,899.00		382,800.00	56,913.98	325,886.02	14.87%	25.00%	Pending Dec. invoice.
Boys Town South Florida	28,924.00	29,189.36	347,099.00	84,113.03	262,985.97	24.23%	25.00%	
Broward Behavioral Health Coalition(BYRC Match)	4,999.00	2,011.54	60,000.00	2,505.41	57,494.59	4.18%	25.00%	Low referrals.
Broward Children's Center	11,889.00	2,255.60	142,677.00	9,384.68	133,292.32	6.58%	25.00%	Staff vacancy.
Childrens Harbor	45,176.00	39,476.02	542,121.00	117,548.15	424,572.85	21.68%	25.00%	
Comm Based Connec/FS Alex Rebb-LT	23,892.00	23,580.51	286,711.00	69,966.15	216,744.85	24.40%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-Fam St	13,978.00	11,095.52	167,742.00	34,504.01	133,237.99	20.57%	25.00%	
Family Central w/KID-Nurturing	39,136.00	36,042.83	469,641.00	103,308.42	366,332.58	22.00%	25.00%	
Gulf Coast CC	71,610.00	68,473.03	859,327.00	192,361.92	666,965.08	22.39%	25.00%	
Henderson Beh Hlth-HOMEBUILDER	45,308.00	36,549.94	543,716.00	118,512.13	425,203.87	21.80%	25.00%	
Henderson Beh Hlth-MST -	50,521.00	42,937.74	701,842.00	119,852.25	581,989.75	17.08%	25.00%	Low referrals.
Henderson Beh Hlth-PIP	10,181.00	50.00	122,182.00	1,250.00	120,932.00	1.02%	25.00%	Staff vacancies. Contract to be terminated.
Hispanic Unity	40,692.00	34,320.69	488,309.00	99,296.19	389,012.81	20.33%	25.00%	
Jack and Jill Children's Cente	14,255.00	9,234.81	171,073.00	22,447.60	148,625.40	13.12%	25.00%	Groups begin in February.
JAFCO-MST	49,225.00	47,867.11	590,715.00	149,934.56	440,780.44	25.38%	25.00%	
Juliana Gerner & Assoc. Progr	27,641.00	24,070.00	331,716.00	73,651.52	258,064.48	22.20%	25.00%	



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KIDS in Distress-HOMEBUILDERS	45,822.00	38,264.76	549,873.00	115,978.55	433,894.45	21.09%	25.00%	
KIDS in Distress-KID FIRST & SAFE	109,183.00	92,949.04	1,310,202.00	267,954.14	1,042,247.86	20.45%	25.00%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys-Teens	31,635.00	21,789.86	379,638.00	64,012.65	315,625.35	16.86%	25.00%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys-Ties	67,426.00	66,061.80	809,119.00	207,737.70	601,381.30	25.67%	25.00%	
PACE	21,070.00	13,980.60	252,840.00	46,264.71	206,575.29	18.30%	25.00%	
Smith Mental Health Assoc-CBT	48,177.00	44,846.16	578,147.00	140,235.11	437,911.89	24.26%	25.00%	
Training			43,500.00		43,500.00	0.00%	25.00%	TBD
Unallocated -Family Strengthening			63,277.00		63,277.00	0.00%		
Total Reduce Abuse & Neglect	904,687.00	743,204.31	11,058,874.00	2,291,868.28	8,767,005.72	20.72%		
Kinship Care/Non-Relative Care								
Harmony Development Center	14,364.00	11,478.30	169,687.00	39,701.87	129,985.13	23.40%	25.00%	
KIDS in Distress-KISS	52,094.00		601,120.00	42,699.11	558,420.89	7.10%	25.00%	Pending invoices.
Legal Aid Service-KISS	26,874.00		322,500.00	53,013.75	269,486.25	16.44%	25.00%	Pending Dec invoice.
Mental Health America of So FL	12,868.00	14,788.56	149,918.00	29,557.84	120,360.16	19.72%	25.00%	
Total Kinship Care/Non-Relative Care	106,200.00	26,266.86	1,243,225.00	164,972.57	1,078,252.43	13.27%		
Trauma								
Broward Behavioral Health Ctr	41,666.00		500,000.00		500,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	Pending contract amendment.
Children's Bereavement Ctr	5,259.00	5,476.47	63,114.00	14,111.64	49,002.36	22.36%	25.00%	
JAFCO-Community Wellness Cntr - CSC	6,666.00	6,266.41	80,000.00	19,556.59	60,443.41	24.45%	25.00%	
JAFCO-Community Wellness Cntr	81,409.00	68,444.37	976,925.00	200,511.60	776,413.40	20.52%	25.00%	
Consultant	26,000.00	26,000.00	110,000.00	26,000.00	84,000.00	23.64%	25.00%	
Community Meetings	200.00	200.00	225.00	225.00	-	100.00%	100.00%	
Unallocated - Trauma---Negative Impact of Trauma			4,403,212.00		4,403,212.00	0.00%		
Total Trauma	161,200.00	106,387.25	6,133,476.00	260,404.83	5,873,071.17	4.25%		
Hunger								
CCB-SE FL Common Eligibility Unit			10,000.00	10,000.00	-	100.00%	100.00%	
Community Enhancement Collaboration	6,289.00	6,288.37	61,040.00	12,330.54	48,709.46	20.20%		Program started in December.
DeliverLean Care COVID 11/20	58,240.00	43,825.40	58,240.00	43,825.40	14,414.60	75.25%		
FLIPPANY			90,821.00		90,821.00	0.00%		Pending invoices.
Harvest Drive			45,000.00	15,014.43	29,985.57	33.37%		Pending invoice..
So FL Hunger: Breakspot FS Meals on Wheels	11,091.00	5,499.83	133,091.00	15,341.05	117,749.95	11.53%		Summer program.
So FL Hunger: Mobile School Pantry	8,439.00	11,452.00	101,273.00	30,923.50	70,349.50	30.53%		
Unallocated Hunger			84,608.00		84,608.00	0.00%		
Unallocated Hunger - COVID			130,720.00		130,720.00	0.00%		
Unallocated - Hunger			27,673.00		27,673.00	0.00%		
Total Hunger	84,059.00	67,065.60	742,466.00	127,434.92	615,031.08	17.16%		
Financial Stability								
Hispanic Unity-VITA	26,727.00		320,727.00	14,288.82	306,438.18	4.46%	25.00%	Pending Dec invoice.
HOPE S FL	6,708.00		80,500.00	6,035.18	74,464.82	7.50%	25.00%	Pending invoices.
United Way			500,000.00		500,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	Pending contract execution. Jan approval.
Unallocated-Financial Stability			500,000.00		500,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	
Total Financial Stability	33,435.00	-	1,401,227.00	20,324.00	1,380,903.00	1.45%		
Total Family Strengthening	1,289,581.00	942,924.02	20,579,268.00	2,865,004.60	17,714,263.40	13.92%		
Youth Development								
Com Reconstruction Housing FS Alex Rebb	37,917.00	35,125.00	455,000.00	104,252.17	350,747.83	22.91%	25.00%	
Community Access Ctr, Inc	16,856.00	8,859.14	202,275.00	26,615.56	175,659.44	13.16%	25.00%	Low Enrollment due to COVID-19
Crockett Foundation, Inc	24,311.00	20,376.90	291,720.00	62,910.24	228,809.76	21.57%	25.00%	
Crockett Foundation, Inc - DeLuca Foundation	24,310.00	16,728.06	291,720.00	48,718.72	243,001.28	16.70%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-Yth Force	14,957.00	7,675.30	179,480.00	24,916.50	154,563.50	13.88%	25.00%	Low Enrollment due to COVID-19



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Firewall Ctr	19,560.00	14,843.46	234,720.00	47,180.28	187,539.72	20.10%	25.00%	
Firewall Ctr-DeLuca Foundation	19,560.00	14,171.11	234,720.00	41,662.40	193,057.60	17.75%	25.00%	
HANDY	40,591.00	33,406.45	487,095.00	91,916.40	395,178.60	18.87%	25.00%	
Hanley Ctr Foundation	2,545.00	2,545.42	30,545.00	7,636.26	22,908.74	25.00%	25.00%	
Harmony Development Ctr, Inc	34,298.00	19,646.11	411,570.00	64,425.07	347,144.93	15.65%	25.00%	
Hispanic Unity	120,003.00	60,900.54	1,440,040.00	185,723.48	1,254,316.52	12.90%	25.00%	Low Enrollment due to COVID-19
Memorial Healthcare Sys	46,863.00	41,868.67	562,350.00	133,499.49	428,850.51	23.74%	25.00%	
Memorial Healthcare System - DeLuca Foundation	18,745.00	18,475.07	224,940.00	55,782.19	169,157.81	24.80%	25.00%	
Opportunities Ind Ctrs/OIC	26,571.00	18,349.66	318,850.00	67,172.64	251,677.36	21.07%	25.00%	
Our Children Our Future FS Alex Rebb	14,434.00	11,297.67	173,220.00	30,190.42	143,029.58	17.43%	25.00%	
Urban League of BC	23,666.00	17,739.07	283,990.00	50,632.49	233,357.51	17.83%	25.00%	
West Park, City of	20,166.00		242,000.00		242,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	Program not operating due to COVID-19.
YMCA of S FL	55,580.00	31,268.87	666,960.00	101,676.46	565,283.54	15.24%	25.00%	
Wyman TOP Training			20,500.00	12,500.00	8,000.00	60.98%	25.00%	Provider bills annually in July
Total Youth Development	560,933.00	373,276.50	6,751,695.00	1,157,410.77	5,594,284.23	17.14%		
LEAP High School								
Firewall Ctr	10,882.00	8,480.52	130,585.00	25,649.44	104,935.56	19.64%	32.00%	Low enrollment due to COVID-19.
Hispanic Unity	79,538.00	52,740.90	954,450.00	164,989.14	789,460.86	17.29%	32.00%	Low enrollment due to COVID-19.
YMCA of S FL	215,565.00	131,503.25	2,586,780.00	434,007.92	2,152,772.08	16.78%	32.00%	Low enrollment due to COVID-19.
Motivational Edge	4,242.00		50,909.00	3,502.41	47,406.59	6.88%	32.00%	Pending Dec. inv. Low enrollment - COVID-19.
Total LEAP High School	310,227.00	192,724.67	3,722,724.00	628,148.91	3,094,575.09	16.87%		
Youth Employment								
CareerSource Broward	54,936.00	18,937.97	1,944,577.00	35,859.57	1,908,717.43	1.84%	25.00%	Summer program.
Total Youth Employment	54,936.00	18,937.97	1,944,577.00	35,859.57	1,908,717.43	1.84%		
PEACE								
Community Based Connection FS Alex Rebb	40,834.00	31,991.88	490,000.00	97,939.62	392,060.38	19.99%	25.00%	
Crockett Foundation, Inc	20,258.00	20,690.14	243,100.00	54,102.57	188,997.43	22.26%	25.00%	
Harmony Development Ctr, Inc	14,750.00	9,607.89	177,000.00	33,789.73	143,210.27	19.09%	25.00%	
Smith Community MH	43,562.00	34,277.46	522,750.00	96,175.85	426,574.15	18.40%	25.00%	
Total PEACE	119,404.00	96,567.37	1,432,850.00	282,007.77	1,150,842.23	19.68%		
Youth Leadership Development								
First Call for Help	2,500.00	2,500.00	30,000.00	7,500.00	22,500.00	25.00%	25.00%	
FL Childrens 1st	568.00	600.00	6,822.00	1,400.00	5,422.00	20.52%	25.00%	
FLITE (FT Laud Indepen Training & Education)	6,250.00		75,000.00		75,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	New contract. Pending invoices.
Unallocated Yth Leadership Development			203.00		203.00	0.00%		
Total Youth Leadership Development	9,318.00	3,100.00	112,025.00	8,900.00	103,125.00	7.94%		
Diversion Programs								
Broward Sheriff's Office	66,436.00		797,236.00		797,236.00	0.00%	25.00%	Pending MOU w/subcontractor.
Camelot CC	28,895.00	33,710.88	346,735.00	75,832.88	270,902.12	21.87%	25.00%	
Harmony Development Ctr, Inc	18,989.00	14,411.94	227,964.00	44,616.60	183,347.40	19.57%	25.00%	
Henderson Behavioral Health	30,581.00	25,009.44	366,986.00	57,405.82	309,580.18	15.64%	25.00%	
Juliana Germera & Assoc. Progr	30,853.00	27,655.51	370,248.00	87,695.20	282,552.80	23.69%	25.00%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys	49,625.00	44,324.07	595,509.00	138,627.34	456,881.66	23.28%	25.00%	
PACE Center for Girls	17,928.00	16,418.94	215,133.00	44,649.05	170,483.95	20.75%	25.00%	
Smith Mental Health Association.	29,293.00	22,105.65	351,529.00	68,346.39	283,182.61	19.44%	25.00%	
Urban League of BC	25,449.00		305,388.00		305,388.00	0.00%	25.00%	Pending amendment.
Training			25,000.00		25,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	Trainings to be scheduled for 1st & 2nd qtr.



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<i>Total Diversion Programs</i>	298,049.00	183,636.43	3,601,728.00	517,173.28	3,084,554.72	14.36%		
Total Yth Development & Juvenile Div	1,352,867.00	868,242.94	17,565,599.00	2,629,500.30	14,936,098.70	14.97%		
<i>Independent Living Program</i>								
Camelot CC	34,773.00	27,026.20	417,286.00	76,277.44	341,008.56	18.28%	25.00%	
FLITE (FT Laud Indepen Training & Education)	15,031.00		180,381.00	29,153.68	151,227.32	16.16%	25.00%	Pending Dec. invoice.
Gulf Coast CC	42,463.00	42,156.61	494,890.00	108,042.46	386,847.54	21.83%	25.00%	
HANDY	61,387.00	47,547.74	736,650.00	150,061.84	586,588.16	20.37%	25.00%	
Harmony Development Ctr, Inc	34,523.00	29,406.36	408,286.00	78,541.62	329,744.38	19.24%	25.00%	
Henderson Beh Hlth -Wilson Gardens	19,990.00	13,342.78	239,887.00	35,156.70	204,730.30	14.66%	25.00%	Utilization impacted by COVID-19.
HOMES FS KIDS HYT	8,485.00	10,969.56	101,818.00	24,441.93	77,376.07	24.01%	25.00%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys	57,090.00	60,367.66	686,530.00	191,175.49	495,354.51	27.85%	25.00%	
Museum of Discovery/Science	8,311.00	7,971.15	99,726.00	20,744.69	78,981.31	20.80%	25.00%	
PACE Center for Girls	23,115.00	22,384.01	274,375.00	64,465.58	209,909.42	23.50%	25.00%	
SunServe	33,285.00	28,411.41	399,421.00	83,739.55	315,681.45	20.97%	25.00%	
Consultant			25,000.00		25,000.00	0.00%	25.00%	TIP training being scheduled.
<i>Total Independent Living Program</i>	<i>338,453.00</i>	<i>289,583.48</i>	<i>4,064,250.00</i>	<i>861,800.98</i>	<i>3,202,449.02</i>	<i>21.20%</i>		
Total Independent Living	338,453.00	289,583.48	4,064,250.00	861,800.98	3,202,449.02	21.20%		
<i>Subsidized Childcare</i>								
Early Learning Coalition	357,737.00	427,462.56	4,592,850.00	919,112.26	3,673,737.74	20.01%	25.00%	
Early Learning Coalition - Vul Pop	334,820.00	129,662.19	4,286,539.00	420,246.08	3,866,292.92	9.80%	25.00%	Low enrollment due to COVID-19.
<i>Total Subsidized Childcare</i>	<i>692,557.00</i>	<i>557,124.75</i>	<i>8,879,389.00</i>	<i>1,339,358.34</i>	<i>7,540,030.66</i>	<i>15.08%</i>		
<i>Training/ TA Preschool Teachers</i>								
Family Central w KID	75,006.00	80,835.14	900,073.00	215,179.37	684,893.63	23.91%	25.00%	
<i>Total Training/ TA Preschool Teachers</i>	<i>75,006.00</i>	<i>80,835.14</i>	<i>900,073.00</i>	<i>215,179.37</i>	<i>684,893.63</i>	<i>23.91%</i>		
<i>Grade Level Reading</i>								
Children's Literacy Initiative			67,350.00		67,350.00	0.00%		
Kidvision			101,000.00	50,500.00	50,500.00	50.00%		
Reading & Math	20,025.00	26,891.06	180,224.00	59,853.28	120,370.72	33.21%	25.00%	
Volunteer Broward	7,231.00	7,028.58	91,095.00	21,085.92	70,009.08	23.15%	25.00%	
Broward Reads for the Record Supplies-Books			60,000.00		60,000.00	0.00%		Event held in the summer.
Broward Reads Initiative			80,061.00		80,061.00	0.00%		
Unallocated			1,495.00		1,495.00	0.00%		
<i>Total Grade Level Reading</i>	<i>27,256.00</i>	<i>33,919.64</i>	<i>615,837.00</i>	<i>131,439.20</i>	<i>484,397.80</i>	<i>21.34%</i>		
Total Literacy Early Education	794,819.00	671,879.53	10,395,299.00	1,685,976.91	8,709,322.09	16.22%		
<i>Adoptive/ Foster Parent Recruit</i>								
Forever Families/Gialogic	15,021.00	15,020.83	180,250.00	45,062.49	135,187.51	25.00%	25.00%	
Heart Gallery of Broward	3,738.00	3,737.58	44,851.00	11,212.74	33,638.26	25.00%	25.00%	
<i>Total Adoptive/ Foster Parent Recruit</i>	<i>18,759.00</i>	<i>18,758.41</i>	<i>225,101.00</i>	<i>56,275.23</i>	<i>168,825.77</i>	<i>25.00%</i>		
<i>Legal Issues / Adoption</i>								
Legal Aid of Broward County	148,484.00		1,781,818.00	284,902.75	1,496,915.25	15.99%	25.00%	Pending Dec. invoice.
Unallocated - Legal Rep child welfare			332,249.00		332,249.00	0.00%		
<i>Total Legal Issues / Adoption</i>	<i>148,484.00</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2,114,067.00</i>	<i>284,902.75</i>	<i>1,829,164.25</i>	<i>13.48%</i>		
<i>Expedite Permanency</i>								



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Henderson Behavioral Health	5,090.00	3,563.84	61,091.00	13,491.68	47,599.32	22.08%	25.00%	
<i>Total Expedite Permanency</i>	5,090.00	3,563.84	61,091.00	13,491.68	47,599.32	22.08%		
Total Child Welfare System Support	172,333.00	22,322.25	2,400,259.00	354,669.66	2,045,589.34	14.78%		
<i>Leadership/Quality in OOS Prog</i>								
FLCSC / MOTT-Lev			10,000.00	10,000.00	-	100.00%	25.00%	
<i>Total Leadership/Quality in OOS Prog</i>	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	100.00%		
<i>Out-of-School</i>								
Advocacy Network on Disabilities	8,739.00	10,038.22	104,873.00	24,309.40	80,563.60	23.18%	22.00%	
After School Program	331,435.00	89,831.32	3,977,224.00	285,719.55	3,691,504.45	7.18%	22.00%	Under-enrolled.
Boys & Girls Club	92,862.00		1,114,344.00	86,559.36	1,027,784.64	7.77%	22.00%	Pending Dec. invoice.
Hallandale CRA			618,254.00	617,886.90	367.10	99.94%	100.00%	
Hallandale, City of	13,614.00	8,350.85	163,368.00	39,886.59	123,481.41	24.42%	22.00%	
Hollywood Beach CRA			228,665.00	228,665.00	-	100.00%	100.00%	
Hollywood, City of	48,581.00	18,167.76	582,977.00	67,293.47	515,683.53	11.54%	22.00%	Under enrolled due to the COVID-19.
Kids In Distress	16,342.00	17,381.12	196,112.00	52,228.02	143,883.98	26.63%	22.00%	
Miramar, City of	10,176.00	2,513.29	122,111.00	10,395.52	111,715.48	8.51%	22.00%	
New Mirawood -FS KIDS -MOST	24,404.00	11,129.35	292,857.00	36,924.50	255,932.50	12.61%	22.00%	
Soref JCC	28,636.00	18,900.66	343,633.00	66,475.23	277,157.77	19.34%	22.00%	
Sunshine Aftercare Program	127,533.00	57,415.73	1,530,400.00	191,353.42	1,339,046.58	12.50%	22.00%	
YMCA /w Deerfield CRA	313,136.00	138,015.65	3,757,642.00	466,546.06	3,291,095.94	12.42%	22.00%	
Comm After School/w Margate CRA	64,350.00		772,202.00	76,807.33	695,394.67	9.95%	22.00%	Pending Dec. invoice. Includes CRA \$.
Back to School Supplies			79,360.00		79,360.00	0.00%		
Consultant			70,400.00	3,600.00	66,800.00	5.11%	22.00%	PBL training begins in May.
Unallocated MOST GP			12,000.00		12,000.00	0.00%		
<i>Total Out-of-School</i>	1,079,808.00	371,743.95	13,966,422.00	2,254,650.35	11,711,771.65	16.14%		
<i>Total Summer Program</i>	-	-	398,112.00	-	398,112.00	0.00%		
Total Out-of-School Time	1,079,808.00	371,743.95	14,374,534.00	2,264,650.35	12,109,883.65	15.75%		
<i>School Health</i>								
Sierra/w Coral Springs CRA	174,721.00		1,747,210.00	233,091.87	1,514,118.13	13.34%	25.00%	CRA \$ will be acct for at year end. Pending Inv.
Unallocated-School Health			126,292.00		126,292.00	0.00%		
<i>Total School Health</i>	174,721.00	-	1,873,502.00	233,091.87	1,640,410.13	12.44%		
<i>Water Safety/Drowning Prevention</i>								
Brow Health-Prevent Infant/Toddler Drowning	22,717.00	17,031.14	272,608.00	41,224.74	231,383.26	15.12%	25.00%	
Swim Central/Broward County	57,315.00	1,080.00	687,782.00	7,123.20	680,658.80	1.04%	25.00%	Pool closures due to COVID-19.
<i>Total Water Safety/Drowning Prevention</i>	80,032.00	18,111.14	960,390.00	48,347.94	912,042.06	5.03%		
<i>Kid Care Insurance Outreach</i>								
Kid Care Outreach / BC Health Dept.	41,263.00	45,640.14	495,157.00	116,205.09	378,951.91	23.47%	25.00%	
<i>Total Kid Care Insurance Outreach</i>	41,263.00	45,640.14	495,157.00	116,205.09	378,951.91	23.47%		
Total Physical Health Services	296,016.00	63,751.28	3,329,049.00	397,644.90	2,931,404.10	11.94%		
<i>Screening/Assessment/Support</i>								
BRHPC-Healthy Families Broward	174,749.00	114,510.06	2,097,003.00	357,752.75	1,739,250.25	17.06%	25.00%	Staff Vacancies. TA provided.
<i>Total Screening/Assessment/Support</i>	174,749.00	114,510.06	2,097,003.00	357,752.75	1,739,250.25	17.06%		
<i>Support Mothers w/Maternal Dep</i>								
Healthy Mothers/ Babies	46,776.00	40,465.35	561,323.00	130,838.16	430,484.84	23.31%	25.00%	
Memorial Healthcare Sys	42,528.00	42,162.22	510,350.00	119,741.95	390,608.05	23.46%	25.00%	
<i>Total Support Mothers w/Maternal Dep</i>	89,304.00	82,627.57	1,071,673.00	250,580.11	821,092.89	23.38%		



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<i>Improve Fetal/Infant Mortality</i>								
Broward Hlthy Start-SAFE SLEEP	16,886.00	10,841.16	202,636.00	36,378.23	166,257.77	17.95%	25.00%	
<i>Total Improve Fetal/Infant Mortality</i>	16,886.00	10,841.16	202,636.00	36,378.23	166,257.77	17.95%		
Total Maternal & Child Health	280,939.00	207,978.79	3,371,312.00	644,711.09	2,726,600.91	19.12%		
<i>SN-After School/Summer Program</i>								
After School Programs/ Quest	40,283.00	11,943.70	483,399.00	33,765.88	449,633.12	6.99%	21.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
Ann Storck Center	23,321.00	8,003.84	279,852.00	25,530.71	254,321.29	9.12%	21.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
ARC, INC	135,991.00	66,521.68	1,631,894.00	204,288.58	1,427,605.42	12.52%	21.00%	
Broward Children's Center	53,941.00	32,776.64	647,291.00	116,163.09	531,127.91	17.95%	21.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-MOST SN	23,332.00	14,145.19	279,982.00	37,164.71	242,817.29	13.27%	21.00%	
JAFCO - MOST			535,779.00	50,766.10	485,012.90	9.48%	21.00%	Mostly summer program. Pending invoices.
Pembroke Pines, City of			104,251.00		104,251.00	0.00%	0.00%	Summer only.
Smith Community MH	76,116.00	53,801.49	913,402.00	172,984.71	740,417.29	18.94%	21.00%	
United Cerebral Palsy	60,807.00	37,199.47	729,686.00	113,160.37	616,525.63	15.51%	21.00%	
YMCA of S FL	381,489.00	190,702.14	4,577,866.00	624,905.56	3,952,960.44	13.65%	21.00%	
Unallocated After School/Summer Program			124,364.00		124,364.00	0.00%		
<i>Total SN-After School/Summer Program</i>	795,280.00	415,094.15	10,307,766.00	1,378,729.71	8,929,036.29	13.38%		
<i>STEP</i>								
ARC, INC	35,800.00	24,896.14	429,600.00	78,816.11	350,783.89	18.35%	25.00%	
Ctr for Hearing FS KIDS-STEP	22,540.00	12,647.45	270,480.00	36,277.47	234,202.53	13.41%	25.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
Smith Community MH	24,834.00	8,110.49	298,008.00	29,433.66	268,574.34	9.88%	25.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
United Cerebral Palsy	68,989.00	36,426.41	827,868.00	112,594.66	715,273.34	13.60%	25.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
YMCA of S FL	58,884.00	27,819.62	706,608.00	90,664.13	615,943.87	12.83%	25.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
<i>Total STEP</i>	211,047.00	109,900.11	2,532,564.00	347,786.03	2,184,777.97	13.73%		
<i>Information/Referral Ntwk</i>								
First Call for Help BH	51,673.00	50,716.11	620,081.00	148,178.31	471,902.69	23.90%	25.00%	
First Call for Help SN	66,921.00	50,654.68	803,050.00	155,447.73	647,602.27	19.36%	25.00%	
<i>Total Information/Referral Ntwk</i>	118,594.00	101,370.79	1,423,131.00	303,626.04	1,119,504.96	21.34%		
<i>Respite Services-BREAK</i>								
Memorial Healthcare Sys (BH)	7,132.00	2,039.62	85,586.00	11,176.06	74,409.94	13.06%	25.00%	Service delivery impacted by COVID-19.
Smith Community MH	7,334.00	4,274.62	88,005.00	13,058.23	74,946.77	14.84%	25.00%	Under enrolled due to COVID-19.
<i>Total Respite Services-BREAK</i>	14,466.00	6,314.24	173,591.00	24,234.29	149,356.71	13.96%		
Total Physical/Developmental/BH Need	1,139,387.00	632,679.29	14,437,052.00	2,054,376.07	12,382,675.93	14.23%		
<i>Eliminate bullying and Choose</i>								
United Way - Choose Peace	3,731.00	3,100.10	44,775.00	9,278.61	35,496.39	20.72%	25.00%	
<i>Total Eliminate bullying and Choose</i>	3,731.00	3,100.10	44,775.00	9,278.61	35,496.39	20.72%		
Total Child Safety	3,731.00	3,100.10	44,775.00	9,278.61	35,496.39	20.72%		
Grand Total Service Goals	6,807,562.00	4,148,086.49	91,517,645.00	13,970,799.74	77,546,845.26	15.27%		
System Goals:								
<i>Single Point of Entry</i>								
First Call for Help	31,847.00	28,393.00	382,169.00	91,454.12	290,714.88	23.93%	25.00%	
<i>Total Single Point of Entry</i>	31,847.00	28,393.00	382,169.00	91,454.12	290,714.88	23.93%		
<i>Leadership/Resources-Strategic</i>								
Dues/Fees			500.00	450.00	50.00	90.00%		
Consultants	6,000.00	6,000.00	17,687.00	16,250.00	1,437.00	91.88%		
Unallocated-Strategic Plan			49,213.00		49,213.00	0.00%		
<i>Total Leadership/Resources-Strategic</i>	6,000.00	6,000.00	67,400.00	16,700.00	50,700.00	24.78%		



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<i>Reporting Applicatin Software</i>								
Taoti Creative	690.00	690.00	27,080.00	3,097.50	23,982.50	11.44%		
SAS			25,000.00	4,931.88	20,068.12	19.73%		
Software	-	-	50,406.00	-	50,406.00	0.00%		
Web hosting	5,000.00	5,000.00	60,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00	33.33%		
DS-Software as Service			78,823.00	78,823.00	-	100.00%		
Total Reporting Applicatin Software	5,690.00	5,690.00	241,309.00	106,852.38	134,456.62	44.28%		
<i>Improve Provider Reporting</i>								
Unallocated- Improve Reporting			70,000.00		70,000.00	0.00%		
Total Improve Provider Reporting	-	-	70,000.00	-	70,000.00	0.00%		
<i>Integrated Data System</i>								
Unallocated - Integrated data system			20,000.00		20,000.00	0.00%		
Total Integrated Data System	-	-	20,000.00	-	20,000.00	0.00%		
Total Improve Coordination/Child Service	43,537.00	40,083.00	780,878.00	215,006.50	565,871.50	27.53%		
<i>Sponsorships</i>								
Nova/SE University Sponsorship	750.00	750.00	35,000.00	6,060.00	28,940.00	17.31%		
Sponsorship-High Traffic			38,500.00	6,000.00	32,500.00	15.58%		
Total Sponsorships	750.00	750.00	81,000.00	12,060.00	68,940.00	14.89%		
<i>Educate Taxpayers</i>								
BECON			31,600.00	200.00	31,400.00	0.63%		
MNetwork	9,063.00	9,062.50	110,000.00	26,487.50	83,512.50	24.08%		
Marketing	16,098.00	25,159.92	470,200.00	77,258.88	392,941.12	16.43%		
Printing			5,000.00		5,000.00	0.00%		
OPS			1,000.00		1,000.00	0.00%		
Sponsorships			115,700.00		115,700.00	0.00%		
Outreach Materials	8,000.00	8,000.00	23,800.00	20,000.00	3,800.00	84.03%		
Total Educate Taxpayers	33,161.00	42,222.42	757,300.00	123,946.38	633,353.62	16.37%		
<i>Advocacy/Outreach</i>								
FLCSC Dues			80,000.00	80,000.00	-	100.00%		
Registration			424.00	499.00	(75.00)	117.69%		
Consultant			16,202.00		16,202.00	0.00%		
Total Advocacy/ Outreach	-	-	96,626.00	80,499.00	16,127.00	83.31%		
<i>Pub Communication w Sp Pop</i>								
ADA remediaton			80,000.00		80,000.00	0.00%		
Special Needs Interpreter	1,360.00	1,360.00	19,000.00	1,360.00	17,640.00	7.16%		
Unallocated-Public Comm w/Spec			14,700.00		14,700.00	0.00%		
Total Pub Communication w Sp Pop	1,360.00	1,360.00	113,700.00	1,360.00	112,340.00	1.20%		
Total Public Awareness & Advocacy	35,271.00	44,332.42	1,048,626.00	217,865.38	830,760.62	20.78%		
<i>Maximize Leveraged Funds</i>								
Unallocated			30,000.00		30,000.00	0.00%		To be used as needed
Total Maximize Leveraged Funds	-	-	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	0.00%		
Total Leveraging Resources	-	-	30,000.00	-	30,000.00	0.00%		
Grand Total System Goals	78,808.00	84,415.42	1,859,504.00	432,871.88	1,426,632.12	23.28%		
Unallocated General			2,061,607.00		2,061,607.00			
Program Goals Grand Total	\$ 6,886,370.00	\$ 4,232,501.91	\$ 95,438,756.00	\$ 14,403,671.62	\$ 81,035,084.38	15.09%		



Children's Services Council of Broward County
Notes to the Financial Statements
December 31, 2020

- (1) The Children's Services Council of Broward County ("CSC") budgets, as revenue, 95% of the property taxes levied, as allowed by state statute.
- (2) The modified accrual basis of accounting is utilized by CSC. Under the modified accrual basis, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become available and measurable. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred, if measurable.
- (3) Funds invested in the SBA, and the Florida Palm (formerly the Florida Education Investment Trust Fund) accommodate pool participants with readily available cash. The pool follows GASB Statement No. 31 which outlines two options for accounting and reporting for money market investment pools as either "2a-7 like fund" or fluctuation of the net asset value ("NAV"). CSC accounts for investments funds using the first method.
- (4) Includes various pending contracts not yet encumbered such as new initiatives, Summer 2021, new RFP's occurring during the year, and other pending initiatives and items that do not lend themselves to be encumbered.
- (5) The reserved for administrative costs include projected expenditure for salary, fringe, travel, supplies, etc. for FY 2020/21
- (6) Fund Balance committed for Building Fund to prepare for future growth.
- (7) Unassigned fund balance represents the residual fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds, and is not restricted, committed or assigned for specific purposes within the General Fund. Unassigned fund balance changes as revenue is received and actual expenditures are incurred.
- (8) The interest earnings varied widely from the prior fiscal year due to timing of maturing instruments. Interest is not recognized until the instrument has fully matured.
- (9) The expenditures on the Program Expenditure By Goals Report run a month behind. Amounts reflected in the current month are for services provided during the prior month. This timing delay is due to the invoice due date on the 10th of the month following service delivery. Therefore, the Program Expenditure By Goals Report is for services through the month of December. The report includes January 2021 administrative costs.
- (10) The accumulating balance in the Building Operations Budget to Actual is aggregating a reserve for capital improvements to be used as necessary.
- (11) The Ft Lauderdale Beach CRA ended which resulted in savings of \$445, 000. The Hollywood Beach CRA TIF reduction resulted in savings of \$367,000.

TAB 29



For Council Meeting

February 18, 2021

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 February, 2021. 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
February 18, 2021

Vendor	Description	Amount	Comment (Back-up documentation is available upon request.)
Purchase Orders (less than \$10,000):			
Acordis	Microsoft Windows Server License	\$ 6,524.00	
Audio Visual Innovations	Equipment Maintenance; Additional Camera and Other Equipment	\$ 7,833.00	Vendor Name Change
Avangate	ShortPoint Annual Maintenance	\$ 2,549.00	Vendor Name Change
CDW-G	Dell Desktops (8 @ \$947.05)	\$ 7,577.00	
GFOA	CAFR Application Fee	\$ 600.00	
GFOA	PAFR Application Fee	\$ 250.00	
Ring Central	Fax Number for Facility Coordinator, HR Support and MIS Support	\$ 350.00	
Robert Half International	Finance Department Temporary Employee (3 days/week @ \$23.80 per hour)	\$ 5,000.00	Not to Exceed amt
Program Related Purchases:			
ADA Site Compliance	Annual fees for ADA Compliance for CSC Websites	\$ 7,500.00	System Goal 2.1.4
Afro Caribbean Groove	Creole/English Speaking WAVS	\$ 1,000.00	System Goal 2.1.2; Vendor Name Change
Brandon McMullen / BMBB Productions	Videographer; Human Trafficking Awareness PSAs in Spanish & Creole	\$ 1,200.00	System Goal 1.2.1
DAX	Countdown to Kindergarten Packet Labels (10 Rolls @ 1,000 Labels per Roll)	\$ 1,495.00	Service Goal 5.1.3
Pat Montague	Radio PSA's; Interviews, Events, Creole	\$ 1,000.00	System Goal 2.1.2
Employee Travel and Training:			
Kathleen Campbell; Monti Larsen	GFOA Essential Tools for Effective Payable Policies; 2/04/21; Webinar	\$ 170.00	
Andrew Leone	Community Engagement 2021; 2/09/21; Virtual	\$ 156.00	
Keisha Grey	Collective Impact Action Summit 2021; 4/23-4/29/21; Virtual	\$ 400.00	
Trainers/Materials (Service Goal 1.1.X) (Provider names and courses may be subject to change):Instructor Led Unless Otherwise Indicated			
Rafael Perez	Excel Training	\$ 2,200.00	
Ronik-Radlauer	Learning to Lead	\$ 6,000.00	Leadership Series
Sponsorship			
Opportunity Knocks for Aspiring Youth Institute	7th Annual Girl's Teen Summit: Stay Woke-It's Our Time-The Slumber Party Edition; April 17, 2021; Virtual	\$ 1,000.00	To ensure that girls are aware of the various opportunities that are open to them, provide workshops on academic skills and conduct a panel discussion on stress, anxiety, peer pressure, self-esteem, social media and student relations.
Memberships:			
Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber	2021 Membership	\$ 650.00	
Lauderhill Regional Chamber	2021 Membership	\$ 600.00	

**The Broward Reads Coalition - Campaign for Grade-Level Reading
Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2021**

9:30 a.m.

Meeting conducted via Zoom

I. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

II. Updates

a) Early Learning Coalition (Allison Metsch)

Apologies were tendered for Renee Jaffe, ELC Broward CEO, who would be unavoidably absent. ELC updates were made by Allison Metsch.

Ms. Metsch reported that the ELC has been able to move approximately 400 children off their waitlist every two weeks due to additional funds received from OEL. There are currently 1,900 children on the waitlist.

DOC Preschool: The program was started over the 2020 summer period and provided virtual classrooms for children and their families. DOC will be relaunched with access being given to ELC waitlist families and, outreach is being done to introduce the program to VPK families and families of 4-year-olds who are not attending school. Through the DOC program, families are able to access an array of activities to engage their children. There are also book readings and recommendations.

3 Ts: Tune in. Talk More. Take turns. The ELC is still working on getting the word out about this initiative. Partnerships have been forged with Broward Healthy Start and, information has been shared with WIC in the community. The plan is to partner with Broward Health next. Ms. Metsch shared that the ELC is working with their providers and sharing the information with their families as another available resource. Any agencies interested in partnering on the initiative or learning more, please contact the ELC as there several members of staff trained in it.

Broward Early Childhood Educator Conference: The conference will be held on Saturday, April 10, 2021 and it will be conducted virtually. The team is working on

finalizing the logistics to make the conference a successful one. The last conference had over 900 attendees. The team hopes that the support will be the same, if not greater since it will be virtual.

b) Broward County Public Schools (Lori Canning; Dan Gohl)

Read for the Record Books: Lori Canning reported that the Read for the Record books are being delivered to schools. With the help of HandsOn Broward, a group of ten volunteers was pulled together to pack books at Gulfstream Early Learning Center on January 23rd. Not only were books mailed to all the Charter schools and Broward County Public Schools, but pick-up services are being facilitated for childcare providers throughout the County. The plan is to distribute the books to students on February 12th in preparation for Valentine's Day. There are still books available, and those can be collected at Gulfstream. Any childcare centers who have not as yet received their books can contact Lori Canning, Layne Polakoff, or Allison Metsch to arrange receipt.

Branded Material for Broward Reads:

Bookmarks - The Broward Schools' team, with the help of representatives from the Early Learning Coalition, Broward County Libraries, United Way of Broward, and CSC of Broward County have designed a Broward Reads bookmark. The bookmarks will be issued along with books being distributed and will bear tips for before, during, and after reading the book. The bookmark also has a QR code at the bottom (as suggested by Pablo Calvo of ELC), which, when scanned, will take the user to the Broward County Libraries website. A mockup was shown on screen. Ms. Canning reported that they were able to apply Countdown to Kindergarten activity funds toward the printing costs for 25,000 bookmarks. The prints will be shared with the CSC, ELC, and other groups.

Tablecloths - New tablecloths have also been secured, complete with the Broward Reads logo, clip art of children hugging books, and two QR codes – one to Broward County Library home page and the other, the Broward Reads webpage. Countdown to Kindergarten activity funds were also applied to cover print costs.

Countdown to Kindergarten Campaign: The Parker Playhouse event scheduled for April 17th will be executed virtually because the number of families that would be allowed to participate would have to be limited due to social distancing guidelines. The decision was taken to create a Countdown to Kindergarten

webpage, which will be hosted on the Broward County Public Schools website. The page will be located between the Early Learning page and Elementary Learning and will be called "Transition to Kindergarten" and should go live by the beginning March. The page will provide various resources to include readiness tips, a welcome video from Supt. Runcie and a video of a COVID era kindergarten classroom. A video of a field trip to a kindergarten classroom done by Penny Bernath (PBS) will also be linked to the page. Ms. Canning shared that the team would like to create a new video showing children wearing masks and social distancing. New resources have been developed for families who are interested in learning more about kindergarten and which would allow them to register to share their interest in kindergarten. Those families will receive a welcome package by mail, which will include a kindergarten book favorite – *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten*, Be a Broward Reader bookmark, and a Kindergarten Roadmap to Success brochure. The webpage will also help families identify their boundary schools by zip code.

Since the Countdown to Kindergarten event will not be hosted at the Parker Playhouse, some of those funds were reallocated to the purchase of pig puppets for the Healthy Adventures of the Three Pigs. The puppets will be sent to Broward County Public School Head Start and VPK participating classrooms, as well as childcare center participating classrooms.

Lori shared that Kimberly White (Broward County Libraries) aided with creating a list of transition to kindergarten books which is available on the webpage. The books are linked to the Library site and will show users which library branch they are available from. There is also a link to BCL for families to register for library cards. Beanstack will also be promoted on the page. The videos for BCL's Summer program *Tails and Tales* (being prepared by Kim White – BCL and Megan Albright – Nova Southeastern Library) will also be hosted on the page to promote Beanstack.

Sandra Bernard-Bastien (CSC) suggested that Lori's presentation could be made into an information video for parents. SBB will revert to Lori to discuss further.

Lori went further to share the desire to add a "tour of Broward County early childhood places to visit" to the website for example, Museum of Discovery and Science, Flamingo Gardens, libraries etc. Videos would feature a quick introduction from a representative of the featured place to visit sharing what they have to offer and perhaps a link to their website. Penny Bernath committed to providing any assistance she could towards the initiative to include providing Virtual Field Trip videos previously created that could be linked to the site.

Carol Hattan suggested that all county municipalities should include the kindergarten link on their respective sites. She went further to share that she would contact Jared Blaut of DRW Magazine who would likely do a feature article on the initiative. Lori asked that Ms. Hattan share her email (lori.canning@browardschools.com) with Blaut to facilitate a discussion.

Information: New twitter handle is @BrowardKindergarten

National Center for Families Learning: NCFL hosted a conference in Fort Lauderdale a couple years ago which was sponsored by the CSC. The organization is now venturing into the world of virtual reality with family engagement. They reached out to BCPS to partner on the initiative. Four families from the Gulfstream/Hallandale area have been identified for a pilot program for family engagement. Through a partnership with the Broward Education Foundation, those families have been provided with virtual reality headsets/goggles. The projected launch date for the pilot is February 11th. Participants can choose a topic such as healthy living, children's literacy, financial independence, and adult education which a virtual room/space will then be built around to use as an education piece. Ms. Canning shared further that work is being done with NCFL and their partners to possibly plan a virtual reality summit for July 2021 where they will highlight what's been accomplished by the program.

Dan Gohl explained that the goggles can't be used within BCPS sites because of the filtering and security software that is in place. He shared that the instructional technology is working to open those ports.

Lori shared she is trying to identify a place within the Hallandale area to host the first meeting. John Escobar (YV Foundation) committed to assist to try and secure an Xfinity location since they would have the high speed internet to make the effort successful.

The purpose of the program is to help NCFL figure out how to overcome the barriers to rolling out such a program on a larger scale. NCFL is committed to the project because virtual reality is the future of technology and, bearing in mind that physical interactions are also difficult but, family learning interactions can be facilitated through the virtual world.

Other Matters -

Commissioner Furr asked Lori Canning and Dan Gohl if they believed there is a need for students to have an orientation to the public library and how to use the resources. Both agreed and went further to suggest an open house styled meeting could be done via Zoom supported by a video as a reference of "how to" would be useful. Commissioner Furr commented he would work on making it happen.

FSA–Dan Gohl reported that the State is still proceeding as normal and so all students, grades 3 through 8 and then at high school, will need to take the test in person at school. He explained that the Board is advocating that the State decouple the accountability system and requirements (waive the third grade promotion requirement and just apply what's called good cause criteria i.e. our best scores and the portfolio of achievement and the teacher judgment. Those would be the decision points about whether a student should be promoted). Parents can get involved by contacting the Governor's office, their Commissioner's office, and other representatives. The senate bill is 866. Mr. Gohl will share his talking points and supporting background information with the Coalition and, directly with the CSC. Cindy Arenberg Seltzer (CSC) committed to having the CSC's Government Affairs Manager, Megan Turetsky – include the issue on the Florida CSC Statewide Association legislative agenda.

c) Broward County Libraries (Kimberly White)

Summer 2021: Tails and Tales will be run from June 1st through August 14th. Beanstack will be used again this year. All the featured artwork is done by Salina Yoon – one of the featured authors for the 33rd Conference on Children's Literature. Ms. Yoon will be at the libraries in September 2021. The team is now working on building out the programming which will primarily be virtual.

BCPS Collaboration: The Library will have a link on the new BCPS Kindergarten webpage which will let kindergartners know they can register for the BCL Beanstack page and then easily link their accounts when they start kindergarten. Ms. White gave a demo of navigating the Beanstack website (www.browardbeanstack.org).

Ms. White reported that BCL would be printing several thousand gameboards for Countdown to Kindergarten. Lori shared that the gameboards would also be included in the welcome packages.

Kimberly suggested creating a linked page for ELC for 3Ts or the DOC Preschool. She will discuss further with Allison Metsch of ELC.

Other:

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer shared that she participated in the National Summer Learning Loss Webinar where the City of Chicago Library System shared that they were doing was adding a math component to their literacy initiatives and, building reading nooks at laundromats. She asked if these Kim was aware of them and if they could be considered for Broward. Ms. White responded that BCL has previously integrated math into literacy programs and, that some of their partners were already doing things with laundromats in Broward. She mentioned the Bedtime Math app which is a free and easily downloaded, which the library can share as a resource. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer will share the webinar recording with Ms. White.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer suggested having a discussion with Shevrin Jones of Florida Reading Corps to see if a partnership could be forged with BCL to facilitate tutoring during the summer. Deontré Clayton - Regional Manager at FL. Reading Corps) committed to contacting Kimberly White to discuss further.

Commissioner Furr mentioned a capability with the new circulation system which would allow the library card to be used as a membership card for other organizations which hadn't been full explored. He asked Kimberly to check how we can begin to use that capability and have it as a Broward Reads initiative.

d) Children's Services Council (Sandra Bernard-Bastien)

Partnership with School Board on Truancy: A Future First episode will be filmed to share the message about the importance of school attendance. The episode will be filmed via Zoom over the next few weeks and aired on BECON-TV.

Partner Literacy Efforts: Sandra Bernard-Bastien shared that Broward AWARE has added a literacy component to their campaign this year with books that teach children how to be safe and recognize that strangers are not their friends. She also shared that the City of Tamarac has taken the decision to do a Story walk for Black History month at the Waters Edge Park, which is a direct result of their involvement in Broward Read for the Record.

Lintor Make A Book Donation: Cindy Arenberg Seltzer shared that the Lintor company, which CSC had worked with for years purchasing books for our summer programs, had gone out of business. The couple who owned the

company donated what stock they had remaining to the CSC for a total donation value of \$6,000 (18 boxes total). Liza Khan identified which programs would make the best use of the books, and Lintor drop shipped the books directly to the programs, and the shipping costs were covered by the Florida Grade-Level Reading campaign, coordinated by Jenn Faber.

III. Special Presentations

Lectio Institute Report: The Institute was attended by Allison Metsch (ELC), Kimberly White (BCL), Katie Ospina (HoB) and Layne Polakoff (BCPS). Lectio looks at organizations and their programs to see how they're working for early literacy. The participants shared briefly what the experience was like for them. Layne made a special note that people look to Broward County as an example of what to do right for early literacy and for children. They shared too that Lectio uses rubrics to measure the programs/projects implemented by communities. The consensus of the participants was that the Coalition continue to participate in the institute. Katie Ospina shared the rubric that was provided by Lectio to evaluate programs. The file is included in the appendix.

Education, Innovation and Research Federal Award: Children's Literacy Pre-k Partnership - Joel Zarrow, CEO - Children's Literacy Initiative:

Children's Literacy Initiative has been focused solely on strengthening early childhood education in the United States. They anchor their work and theory of change, which asserts that center directors and teachers need ongoing structured professional development combined with high-quality curriculum supports and assessments for children. Mr. Zarrow shared the program components of Blueprint for Early Learning - a research-based pre-K curriculum, which provides a detailed set of teaching plans and resources for teachers to deliver engaging, intentional, and responsive pre-K instruction.



The program will be rolled out across Broward county, through 30 to 35 schools/centers as part of the treatment group and then another 30 to 35 being used as control schools. There will be four professional learning workshops (2.5 hours each). If the workshops need to be conducted outside of work hours, CLI will provide stipends for teachers. If it's in a situation where there will be a need for substitute teachers, CLI will pay for the associated cost.

Lori Canning shared that the impact of CLI's work has been great both in terms of teacher feedback and student achievement data. Canning went further to explain that the initiative will be a Broward County Early Childhood initiative and not solely for BCPS. Participating classrooms will receive a copy of the curriculum as well as 90 read-aloud books. She explained that we are now looking for VPK classrooms of schools that have multiple VPK classrooms and pre-K ESE specialized classrooms. Once the schools have been identified, the opportunity will be shared with all schools eligible to apply for the opportunity.

Allison Metsch reported that the ELC has found that there are approximately 170 schools that have multiple VPK classrooms. The schools are being sorted by zip code to determine program eligibility. The only issue identified thus far is that when a school has a school readiness contract with OEL through the ELC, the school has to choose a curriculum from OEL but, the team is working behind the scenes to see if the program can still be pushed through. Layne Polakoff interjected to say it is very important the chosen schools have directors and teachers who are willing to go through the intensive training and improvements needed.

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer proposed that positioning the program to directors/teachers as a means of providing additional tools to assist them to better prepare their students for school, the buy-in would be easier. She asked if the program implementation would benefit class assessment in the early childhood space. Allison Metsch responded in the affirmative explaining that having one-on-one support to implement the curriculum in the class would be advantageous to performance. Allison also shared that because there are incentives associated with the program, the appeal will be greater to teachers. Ms. Arenberg Seltzer also suggested that the possibility of higher-class scores (which lead to higher reimbursements rates) be used as another marketing angle.

Ms. Arenberg Seltzer asked Mr. Zarrow to submit a proposal to the Early Learning Coalition for match-funding support to help with satisfying the \$300,000 gap which CLI needs to raise over the next two years.

IV. Partner Update

Florida Grade-Level Reading (Jenn Faber):

- FGLRC February Newsletter: <https://conta.cc/3pvEHXK>
- Upcoming events:
 - o February 16th FGLRC Statewide Meeting: The agency will be announcing 12 new projects which will take place between now and September. Once more information is available, it will be shared with the group.
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/45598987490589313>
 - o February 19 FGLRC/Lastinger Reading Series 'Selecting Books to Maximize Students' Reading Practice:
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2398035272437033999>
 - o February 23 FGLRC T/A Webinar 'Seeing Through A Trauma Lens':
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8854130056603005451>
(working with our children who are struggling through COVID and all other social emotional challenges they have to deal with)
- FGLRC will do more of the University of Florida Lastinger Reading Series which have seen between 100 to 250 people on every webinar that has been hosted by Dr. Paige Pullen.
- Jenn reported that FGLRC will be funding enhancements to the Chamber's Gap Map which was launched a few months ago and build that project out

- further. The tool can help users to look at the poverty levels by zip code and then match them to the schools and grade-level reading scores.
- Spanish translation of the Sound Beginnings training will be provided. As of December 2020, there are 26 ambassadors launching the program statewide and so, they'll be able to offer the program in Spanish where needed.
 - Summer Programs:
 - o FGLRC will be incentivizing the Supporting Literacy and School-aged programs 5-hour modules. The first 350 practitioners who take the SLSA course within the designated timeframes will receive a \$50 gift certificate to purchase books for their programs. Over 1,300 persons were trained under this program last year.
 - o HELIOS is allowing the disbursement of Summer Literacy Acceleration mini grants for the first-time ever. These will be for K5 summer programs online or in-person and will be between \$2,000 and \$5,000 each. Any type of summer camp/summer learning program is eligible to apply for the grants as long as it serves Kindergarten to 5th grade.

BCPS: Lori reminded the meeting that February 14th will mark the 3rd anniversary of the MSD tragedy. If persons are interested in participating in service projects or events to commemorate the day, they should visit the Student Support Initiative website through BCPS for more information.

V. Meeting Schedule for FY 20-21:

Meetings will be conducted virtually unless otherwise stated. April 7, June 2, August 4, October 6

VI. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

Funders Forum Meeting Summary

December 4, 2020

Members Virtually Present:

Adamma DuCille, Children's Services Council (CSC); **Andria Dewson**, CSC; **Angelika Schlanger**, The Frederick A. Deluca Foundation; **Darrell Cunningham**, Broward County Community Partnership Division; **Dawn Liberta**, Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF); **Dion Smith**, CSC; **Emilia Vilaire-Monchery**, United Way; **Evan Goldman**, Jewish Federation of Broward County; **Keyonia Lawson**, CSC; **Lori Canning**, Broward County Public Schools (BCPS); **Margaret (Maggie) de Cambre Borges**, DCF; **Maria Hernandez**, United Way; **Maria Juarez Stouffer**, CSC; **Megan Turetsky**, CSC; **Monica King**, Broward Healthy Start Coalition (BHSC); **Pablo Calvo**, Early Learning Coalition (ELC); **Patrick Morris**, Wells Fargo Bank; **Renee Jaffe**, ELC; **Renee Podolsky**, Florida Department of Health; **Sandra Veszi Einhorn**, Coordinating Council of Broward and Nonprofit Executive Alliance of Broward; **Silvia Quintana**, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC); **Susan Eby**, ChildNet

Guest Virtually Present:

Francisco (Frank) Isaza, 211 Broward

Welcome & Introductions:

Maria Juarez Stouffer welcomed members to the Zoom meeting and welcomed new member Patrick G. Morris, Vice President and Community Affairs Officer for South Florida, Social Impact & Sustainability with Wells Fargo Bank.

Patrick thanked members for the invitation to join funders forum.

Approval of the October 5, 2020 Meeting Minutes:

Maria H. made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Maggie D. and passed with no opposing votes.

CARES Funding and Partnership Opportunities:

Darrell C. reported that Broward County received approximately \$340 million in CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) funding for Broward.

The Community Partnership Division allocated CARE funds to further support homeless residents and opened a non-congregate shelter and increased the availability of mobile sanitation facilities that included showers and portable toilets.

Legal Aid was funded to provide legal representation to help with mortgage and rental

waivers to help with evictions.

The Health Foundation of South Florida was funded to expand COVID testing sites in distressed zip codes and for community outreach workers to encourage COVID testing.

The School Board and Memorial Hospital are receiving payroll support for nursing services. Maria J. and Renee P. requested information on BCPS funding for nursing services as CSC and the DOH also fund school health nursing services.

Renee P. asked Darrell C. if he could share data on the zip codes that were being served and what kind of testing Ready Responders are providing as well as a description of the nursing services provided.

Funding has also supported elderly and veteran services by providing meals for residents age 60 and older, transportation and ambulance services.

Funding also provided to Feeding South Florida (FSF). FSF has submitted a new funding request to Broward County which will be considered later in December.

Patrick M. mentioned that Wells Fargo Bank has also provided \$50,000 to Feeding South Florida.

Darrell C. will provide an update on Feeding South Florida at the January Funders Forum meeting.

The Family Success Administration Division has received approximately \$25 million for rental assistance from the CARES funding. The application deadline was extended to December 9, 2020. The funding is scheduled to end on December 31, 2020.

Maria J. mentioned that CSC is exploring why residents are not approved for CARES and/or Family Success rental or mortgage assistance and exploring whether CSC can assist families that are falling through the funding cracks. CSC funds would be the funder of last resort.

First Call for Help / 211 COVID Response & Trends

Frank Isaza, Chief Operations Officer for First Call for Help / 211, presented data demonstrating increased service needs in the following areas: food insecurity, housing insecurity, mental health needs / suicide calls and financial assistance. FCFH / 211 received short term funding to increase their staffing capacity to meet the increased call volume. They have been using their texting platform "Text Your Zip Code to 898211" to do community outreach and to educate the community about different initiatives such as completing the Census, getting flu shots, and applying for CARES and Family Success funding. Members asked to be included in the 211-weekly email blast.

Maria H. announced that they have launched a campaign "It's Okay to not be Okay" that

has been a success and has helped with a decrease in suicides.

Racial Equity Updates

Children's Services Council

Dion S. shared that the CSC internal Racial Equity Committee is promoting their racial equity resource calendar called "Justice in June" which will launch in January 2021. The calendar can be used by organizations who are looking to further their racial equity conversations with staff and clients. Each day consists of a link to access on-line resources, articles, and videos to review for approximately 10 to 45 minutes each day.

Broward County

Darrell C. met with the Broward Racial Equity Group. They are currently working with the Joint Racial Equity Caucuses (Black, White, and Hispanic) and are looking at ways to keep members engaged and learn about how to converse about sensitive topics.

Broward CEO's for Racial Equity

Adamma D. presented on the recently formed "Broward CEO's for Racial Equity" group and the work they are doing. This group consists of community organizations' CEOs which include members of the Nonprofit Executive Alliance of Broward. This group expressed the need to create a Racial Equity Task Force to respond to the needs of the community by creating tools, strategies, and pathways to achieve equitable outcomes.

Adamma also reminded members of the other racial equity trainings such as the Racial Equity Institute Workshop, Implicit Bias Training and the Groundwater Webinar that are available. If anyone would like to attend, please sign up on CSC's training website <http://training.cscbroward.org>

Report out by Funders Forum Members:

Any questions about the COVID-19 Funder Spreadsheet?

The COVID-19 Funder Spreadsheet continues to be updated and sent out to members. Maria J. reminded members to continue to send their updates to Cynthia Reynoso, CSC's Sr. Programs Manager at creynoso@cscbroward.org. Updates will continue to be shared with members. Frank I. and Patrick M. requested a copy of the spreadsheet.

Update on Learning Pods

Emilia V. and Renee J. provided an update on the Learning Pods. Renee J. reported that there are 390 children being served in 57 pods at 29 childcare centers. The state authorized payments for children that are eligible for full time care to remain in pods if the provider is still providing this service at their site.

Darrell C. requested a summary of the learning pods.

United Way

Supportive Services for Veterans Grant

Maria H. announced the United Way is planning to offer \$2.4 million in grants to support homeless Veterans and their families who are facing eviction. Information will be going out to the community to create awareness and let the community know that they have funding and are available to assist.

Hurricane Eta

Maria H. reported that the Honduras and Guatemala United Ways are struggling to meet the needs of the people impacted by hurricane Eta as the impact to their countries has been devastating. She asked if members have resources to donate to please contact her at mhernandez@unitedwaybroward.org so that United Way of Broward can support them. For monetary donations please visit the United Way website www.unitedwaybroward.org and the donation will go directly to the United Way in Honduras and Guatemala.

Upcoming Procurements / Leverage Opportunities/ Common Funding Initiatives

Children's Services Council

Maria J. announced that CSC's Respite Program procurement will be released in February. The focus is to provide a safe place for parents to receive respite services for children ages 5 to 13 years with special needs on weekends. Maria J. thanked members that are going to serve as raters.

Broward County

Darrell C. announced plans to release an RLI regarding the Needle Exchange Program. Darrell C. requested to be added to the February meeting agenda to discuss.

Legislative Update

Megan Turetsky, CSC's Government Affairs Manager provided a legislative update. She announced that the Senate committee assignments were released. Senator Lauren Book will remain as the Chair of Children and Families. Committee assignments for House have not yet been announced.

In terms of advocacy, she is waiting to receive guidance on how that will take place this year due to COVID. She anticipates that there will be escorts to bring folks in and out of the building and that there will also be opportunities to communicate and have discussions on specific topics virtually.

Training and Capacity Building

Adamma D. confirmed racial equity trainings in 2021. She mentioned that there is a good response and trainings are filling up fast. CSC and United Way will fund four additional Ground Water Trainings to help accommodate the demand.

The Capacity Building Mini Grants virtual trainings are going well and have been well received. They are now offering continuation trainings and virtual CPR trainings. Attendees must do the chest compressions and breathing session in person, but it is private and safe.

A series of training video's such as selfcare and mindfulness will be available on-line if you cannot attend in person. There are also some resources available for parents that are providing in-home leaning with children. For more information please contact Adamma D. at aducille@cscbroward.org or go to CSC's training website <http://training.cscbroward.org>

Additional Updates

Renee J. announced that ELC received \$9.8 million for their school readiness program. Approximately \$8 million will go toward filling 2,000 childcare slots. As of November, there were 3,500 children on the waiting list. Approximately \$1 million will go to CARES expenses.

ELC is also taking applications from providers that remain open to receive CARES funding.

Currently ELC sites are 100% open. Attendance is at 80% and goes up each month as parents return to work. In Broward Voluntary Pre-K attendance has decreased to 32% and it has also decreased statewide.

ELC is planning to have an enrollment campaign in January.

The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation

Angelika S. spoke to members about the Digital Divide Initiative that began in Palm Beach County, in partnership with Quantum Foundation, Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation, Palm Beach County, FPL, Comcast and other community partners, to address the digital divide in neighborhoods that have been historically disinvested and are very vulnerable to the negative impacts of COVID-19.

The digital divide is the gap between those who have access to computers and the internet and those who do not. A lack of access during COVID-19 poses a significant threat to the health of the county's already most vulnerable households. Data shows that residents of the most disconnected neighborhoods are expected to learn less, earn less, and live less than the average county residents

Angelika S. confirmed with members their interest to learn more about the Palm Beach Digital Divide initiative. The Quantum Foundation will be invited to present on January 8th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Additional information will be provided to members prior to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Next Steps, Tasks & Follow-up from the August 7, 2020 Meeting

- Members will continue to send updated COVID-19 funding updates to Cynthia Reynoso: creynoso@cscbroward.org or Keyonia Lawson: klawson@cscbroward.org. Keyonia L. to send a copy to Frank I. and Patrick M.
- Maria J. and Renee P. requested information from Darrell on funding that is being provided to Memorial and BCPS for nursing services. CSC and DOH also funds school health nursing services.
- At the January 8th Funders Forum meeting, Darrell C. will provide an update on the Feeding South Florida funding request that is being considered by Broward County.
- Renee P. asked Darrell C. if he could share data on the zip codes that were being served and what kind of testing is being done.
- Add Darrell C. to the February agenda regarding the Needle Exchange Program presentation and other procurements being released by Broward County.
- Frank I. will share a flyer about the “Text Your Zip Code to 898211” initiative and to include members on the 211-weekly email blast.
- Frank I. will prepare a presentation for January or February regarding the FCFH / 211 funding reduction expected in April 2021.
- Maria H. to share information on the “It’s Okay to not be Okay” campaign.
- Darrell C. requested a summary of the Learning Pods.
- A Funders Forum meeting will be scheduled on January 8th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. to have Quantum Foundation present on the Palm Beach Digital Divide project.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, January 8th, 2021 from 2:00–4:00 P.M. via Zoom.

Funders Forum Meeting Summary

January 8, 2021

Members Virtually Present:

Adamma DuCille, Children's Services Council (CSC); **Amy Pont**, Community Foundation of Broward (CFB); **Angelica Rosas**, Community Foundation of Broward (CFB); **Angelika Schlanger**, The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation; **Cassandra Evans**, Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ); **Cecilia Rivas-Gonzalez**, The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation; **Cindy Arenberg-Seltzer**, CSC; **Daniel Gohl**, Broward County Public Schools; **Darrell Cunningham**, Broward County Community Partnership Division; **Dawn Liberta**, Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF); **Dion Smith**, CSC; **Emilia Vilaire-Monchery**, United Way; **Evan Goldman**, Jewish Federation of Broward County; **Janine Chowquan**, United Way; **Judith Fletcher**, The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation; **Keith Bostick**, Broward County Human Services Department; **Keyonia Lawson**, CSC; **Lori Canning**, Broward County Public Schools (BCPS); **Margaret (Maggie) de Cambre Borges**, DCF; **Maria Juarez Stouffer**, CSC; **Megan Turetsky**, CSC; **Melanie Burgess**, The Jim Moran Foundation; **Patrick Morris**, Wells Fargo Bank; **Renee Jaffe**, Early Learning Coalition (ELC); **Saemon Hollingsworth**, BCPS; **Sandra Veszi Einhorn**, Coordinating Council of Broward and Nonprofit Executive Alliance of Broward; **Shea Ciriago**, Broward Education Foundation; **Sheri Brown**, Community Foundation of Broward (CFB); **Silvia Quintana**, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC); **Sue Gallagher**, CSC; **Susan Cantrick**, BCPS

Guests Virtually Present:

Camden Baggs, Quantum Foundation; **Eric Kelly**, Quantum Foundation; **Nancy O'Donnell-Wilson**, Broward College Foundation, **Scott Rivinius**, Broward College Foundation.

Welcome & Introductions:

Maria Juarez Stouffer welcomed all guests and members to the virtual meeting. She also welcomed new member Shea Ciriago, Executive Director for Broward Education Foundation.

Quantum Foundation on Digital Divide Initiative:

Angelika S. introduced Quantum Foundation's President, Mr. Eric Kelly and Project Manager for Special Initiatives, Camden Baggs who presented on the Palm Beach Digital Divide Initiative.

The Quantum Foundation is a large funder in Palm Beach county. They have collaborated with community partners to include the Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation, Palm Beach County, FPL, Comcast and many other community partners, to address the digital divide in neighborhoods that have been historically disinvested, exploited and are the most vulnerable to the negative impacts of COVID-19.

The digital divide is the gap between those who have access to computers and the internet and those who do not. A lack of access during COVID-19 poses a significant impact to the health of the county's already most vulnerable households. Data shows that residents of the most disconnected neighborhoods learn less, earn less, and live less than the average county residents.

As society restructures and adjusts, many low-income families may not have the resources necessary to participate in "the new normal." In the current physically distanced environment, access to healthcare, vital health information, education, virtual work, and applying for benefits are largely determined by the availability of technology in the home.

A survey completed by Quantum in the Community (QIC) partners reported that, on average among respondents, more than 33% do not have internet and computer access at home. Digging deeper, it was indicated that the digital divide presents multiple challenges—even those who are connected still have trouble navigating the technology and online systems effectively.

This existing digital divide, made worse by the sudden shift to virtual learning, virtual health access, and remote working, has created an environment in which equity gaps are likely to widen for a significant portion of the population. This shift may result in negative outcomes that will further increase the burden placed upon healthcare providers, local governments, and nonprofit organizations to address the consequences of the existing inequity.

This is a three-year pilot to close the digital divide, but these communities will require a longer-term commitment. It will take the collective efforts of private, public, and nonprofit institutions to work in partnership with residents and community leaders to invest in the improvement of neighborhoods, expand educational and economic opportunities for families, and close the digital divide in the most disconnected communities.

Quantum and their partners are currently working with Palm Beach County to address barriers which will allow neighborhoods to receive free internet service. Currently Comcast and AT&T have a \$9.99 program, but some families still cannot afford it.

The presentation and a briefing were shared with members. For more information about Quantum Foundation please visit <https://quantumfnd.org/>

Update on Feeding South Florida

Darrell C., Director of Community Partnership Division, Broward County Human Services Department provided an update to members on Feeding South Florida. During the December meeting Darrell C. reported that Feeding South Florida had requested funding from the County to reimburse them for expenses going back to Spring 2020 in the amount of \$1.9 million. The county agreed to assist them through February 28, 2021 with \$3.7 million in funding. The federal COVID relief bill passed in January 2021 is expected to

renew their Farm to Family Program.

Cindy S. asked to be included in future meetings regarding Feeding South Florida so that they are not duplicating efforts. She also asked members to look at smaller feeding organizations that may be able to reach areas that have challenges getting food and that can help provide meals for children during school breaks.

Broward Collaboration to Address the Pandemic's Impact on Student Learning and Development:

Daniel Gohl, Chief Academic Officer for Broward County Public Schools (BCPS), presented on the "Broward Collaboration to Address the Pandemic's Impact on Student Learning and Development." Broward Public Schools is seeking to improve support for students that have demonstrated diminished engagement and decreased rates of academic progress.

The results for eLearning show a 25% increase in children that are failing or have incompletes, as well as absences. BCPS is utilizing social workers and counselors to provide outreach to the youth to connect with them and find ways to get them to re-engage in school.

Daniel G. would like to provide virtual trainings to community organizations about the BCPS resources available to children and youth to assist with their academic progress. Community partners working with the families could incorporate knowledge about these resources and help expand the families understanding of BCPS available resources. Daniel G. also expressed the importance of creating an integrated data sharing agreement so that pertinent student information can be shared with community partners who are working with the students and families.

Susan Cantrick, Director of Applied Learning with BCPS, reported there are 58,000 students who are not meeting adequate academic progress. Students are experiencing an increase in depression and anxiety. The feedback from students is that they are distracted at home, they feel isolated, and that the loss of social supports such as sports and going to lunch with their friends is impacting their engagement. Susan C. is working with a group of students to develop ideas for engagement activities such as e-sports, mind craft, debate, and social justice initiatives.

Sheri B. asked to meet with Daniel G. and Susan C. regarding non-profit organizations and how they can help the schools engage with students. She has some great ideas and suggested incentives may work based on research.

Darrell C. suggested including programs that have case managers and to also discuss incentives for both parents and students.

Sue G. mentioned the CSC P3 grant for high school students was a success. The program included incentives, engagement, wrap around services, student referrals and data sharing where support coaches had access to BASIS database.

Maria J. asked members to send the list of their funded afterschool programs to include the provider, school location and grade level to Keyonia L. who will combine information and send to Susan C.

The following information was provided to members by Daniel Goh:

- BCPS Spring 2021 Reopening Plan Approved by FDOE: <http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/Broward-springreopen21.pdf>
- Presentation to the School Board on Student Academic Progress & DOE EO-07: <https://bit.ly/3s6D30y>
- Presentation to School Board on Progress Monitoring (Nov. 10, 2020): <https://bit.ly/39aifMP>

Two subcommittees will be developed. One committee will address student engagement and will be organized by Susan Cantrick. The other committee will address the data sharing agreement and will be organized by Sue Gallagher. Members that want to be included in these subcommittees were asked to email Keyonia L.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Next Steps, Tasks & Follow-up

Darrell C. will follow up with Feeding South Florida to find out what their future needs may be.

- Two subcommittees will be developed. One committee will address student engagement and will be organized by Susan Cantrick. The other committee will address the data sharing agreement and will be organized by Sue Gallagher. Members that want to be included in these subcommittees were asked to email Keyonia L.
- Sue G. will meet with the district staff that have BASIS technology to start to create the data fields and get the information needed for the data sharing agreements.
- Members will send a list of their funded afterschool programs to include the provider, school location and grade level to Keyonia L. so she can combine information and send to Susan C.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, February 5, 2021 from 2:00–4:00 P.M. via Zoom.

Funders Forum Meeting Summary

February 5, 2021

Members Virtually Present:

Amy Pont, Community Care Plan); **Angelika Schlanger**, The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation; **Cassandra Evans**, Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ); **Darrell Cunningham**, Broward County Community Partnership Division; **Dawn Liberta**, Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF); **Dion Smith**, Children Services Council (CSC); **Donna Eprifania**, ChildNet; **Erin Byrne**, CSC; **Evan Goldman**, Jewish Federation of Broward County; **Janisse Rosario-Schoepp**, Health Foundation of South Florida; **Judith Fletcher**, The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation; **Keyonia Lawson**, CSC; **Margaret (Maggie) de Cambre Borges**, DCF; **Maria Juarez Stouffer**, CSC; **Maria Hernandez**, United Way; **Megan Turetsky**, CSC; **Melanie Burgess**, The Jim Moran Foundation; **Monica King**, Broward Healthy Start Coalition (BHSC); **Renee Jaffe**, Early Learning Coalition (ELC); **Saemone Hollingsworth**, Broward County Public Schools (BCPS); **Shea Ciriago**, Broward Education Foundation; **Sheri Brown**, Community Foundation of Broward (CFB); **Silvia Quintana**, Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC); **Sue Gallagher**, CSC; **Susan Cantrick**, BCPS

Guests Virtually Present:

Sheila Smith & Frank Isaza, 211 Broward

Welcome & Introductions:

Maria Juarez Stouffer welcomed all guests and members to the virtual meeting. She also welcomed new member Janisse Rosario-Schoepp, Vice President of Operations and Strategy with the Health Foundation of South Florida.

Approval of the December 4, 2020 & January 5, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

Monica K. made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Cassandra E. and passed with no opposing votes.

Update on Broward Collaboration to Address the Pandemic's Impact on Student Learning and Development:

During the January meeting two groups were developed to partner with BCPS to support student engagement. One group organized by Susan Cantrick is working to identify current out of school programs available to middle and high school youths and a second group, organized by Sue Gallagher is discussing data sharing.

Susan Cantrick, Broward County Public School (BCPS), reported that the District will offer students tutoring intervention services to address their academic challenges. The District has been providing outreach services to re-engage students who are not making adequate academic progress. In addition, CSC is partnering with the District to connect middle and high school youth to CSC's out of school time programs. These programs offer success/ life coaching services, supportive counseling, assessment and linkage to

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additional community services and homework assistance, among other services. Funders Forum members were invited to join Susan Cantrick's meetings to explore how to expand out of school time services to engage more youth during this critical time.

First Call for Help / 211

Sheila Smith, CEO, and Frank Isaza, COO, from First Call for Help (FCFH/211) presented information about the increased call volume that 211 has experienced because of the pandemic as well as the 38% increase in call time. 211 was able to expand their Helpline staff through \$436,000 of FEMA funds that came through DCF. All 211's across Florida received FEMA funding. These funds are post-disaster crisis counseling funds for COVID recovery and are set to end April 12, 2021. If all FEMA funds are not expended, DCF will request a no-cost extension in late February and expect to be noticed whether the extension was approved by mid-March. Since 211 Broward expanded services quicker than most other 211s in Florida, their extension will be for one month, if granted as they will have already used most of their funding.

211 also received additional funding from the United Way which is due to end 6/30/2021 and funding from Community Foundation of Broward which is due to end 10/31/2021.

Silvia Q. announced that another CARES stimulus package was released and that 211 will receive \$83,000 CARES funds for this calendar year from Broward Behavioral Health Coalition.

Maria H. suggested that Broward County include 211 as a priority in their funding now that there is another CARES package being released and to have 211 utilize CARES funding first to support increased service needs.

Members who are currently funding 211 and would like to reach out to 211 can do so to explore how to ensure that the current level of increased services continues. Members will report back at the next Funders Forum meeting.

A spreadsheet identifying the 211 funding that is due to lapse in April was distributed as well as a two-page summary of 211's metrics.

Racial Equity Update

Dion S. reminded members that it was black history month. He announced that CSC will join the YWCA of South Florida in their 21-day Racial Equity & Social Justice Challenge that begins on February 15th. All agencies can register to participate. Keyonia will send members an article about the concept of safety in race dialogues.

Darrell C. announced that on February 10th at 7:00 p.m. Broward County will host a conversation that will include a moderator who will speak about mental health and

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wellness within the black community. Broward County's Black Caucus is scheduled to meet on February 17th.

Janisse R.S. asked Darrell C. about the Broward County Board of County Commissioners establishing a racial equity task force. Darrell C. will share information with members.

Sue G. reported that the Greater Ft. Lauderdale Alliance under Six Pillars is working on connecting the racial equity initiatives to enhance efforts. If members want to get involved the first step is to complete the Racial Equity Institute's two-day racial equity training. Janisse R.S. expressed her interest to register staff from the Health Foundation of South Florida. Information will be shared with members on how to register staff.

Renee J. thanked members along with the non-profit executives for their partnership, efforts, and guidance with racial equity.

Report out by Funders Forum Members:

Broward County Community Partnership Division *(Darrell Cunningham)*

Needle Exchange Program

Darrell C. and Shakira Scott describe the need for the Needle Exchange Program in Broward County. There are alarming public health statistics which support the need for a needle exchange program. 1,642 opioid overdoses in 2017, more than 21,000 people living with HIV, 387 heroin and fentanyl related deaths in 2018. Needle exchanges are designed to prevent the spread of infectious diseases among drug users by providing clean syringes. These programs also help reverse drug overdoses by distributing naloxone to people who use drugs. They also lead to reductions in HIV transmissions. The first needle exchange program in Florida was implemented in Miami as a pilot program and due to the success of this program Miami-Dade commissioners made the pilot program a permanent program.

In 2019 an ordinance was passed in Broward to bring together a stakeholder's group which includes Broward County, Florida Department of Health, United Way and the Department of Children and Families. Interested funding partners are encouraged to contact Darrell to join the stakeholder's group. He will include Funders Forum members on the next stakeholder's meeting invite.

Release of new procurements

Darrell C. announced that the County is planning to release a large procurement this Spring for approximately \$19 million. Last year this procurement was postponed due to COVID.

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Darrell mentioned that the procurement will include outreach, rapid rehousing, homeless shelter support services, maternity services, mental health and counseling services, rental assistance, independent living, respite as well as outpatient and advocacy services.

Update on Feeding South Florida (FSF)

Darrell C. shared that the County approved funding for up to \$3.5 million for FSF. Currently FSF has been reimbursed for \$1.9 million for Broward expenditures.

Children Services Council

CSC Funding for Financial Stability for Families (*Maria J.*)

Maria J. announced that the Council approved \$500,000 to provide rental / mortgage assistance to families that are on the verge of being evicted, as well as support for utility payments. This is a community collaborative between CSC and the United Way to increase the financial assistance funding available in the three United Way Center for Working Families contracts (Urban League, Arc Broward, and Hispanic Unity). Families must first apply for other available resources from Broward County CARES dollars and Family Success funding and demonstrate funding denial before CSC funding can be utilized.

Darrell C. reported that the county continues to see a growing need for services to support homeless individuals and families. The County's spring RFP will provide funding for rapid rehousing and supportive services for individuals in HUD Categories 1 and 4.

Maria H. requested to meet with Broward County Human Services staff to discuss how to improve coordination for families that are denied rental assistance from the county so these families can be seamlessly connected to the United Way's Center For Working Families programs and other available programs.

COVID-19 Funder Spreadsheet Update

The COVID-19 Funder Spreadsheet continues to be updated and sent out to members. Maria J. reminded members to send their updates to Cynthia Reynoso, CSC's Sr. Programs Manager at creynoso@cscbroward.org Updates will be shared with members. An updated version was sent to members to include CSC funding for emergency housing assistance of \$500,000 and \$50,000 to Feeding South Florida from Wells Fargo Bank.

Legislative Update

Megan Turetsky announced the resignation of Chad Poppell, Secretary of Department of Children and Families. Chad will be replaced by Shevaun Harris. Shevaun was serving as the interim secretary at the Agency for Health Care Administration. Simone Marstiller who headed the Department of Juvenile Justice will now become the Secretary of the Agency for Health Care and Josie Tamayo will be acting Secretary at the Department of Juvenile Justice.

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Megan T. notified members that the Senate is asking for agencies on their list to submit a form regarding their funding projects. She asked members to review the list and to notify any agencies that may not be aware.

Letter List:

https://statics3.lobbytools.com/docs/2021/2/3/121624_fy_21_22_recurring_base_projects_letter_list.pdf

Form:

https://statics3.lobbytools.com/docs/2021/2/3/121625_fy_21_22_recurring_base_projects_form.pdf

She also announced that Governor DeSantis approved and released the budget of \$96.6 billion that is an increase of \$4.3 billion over the current fiscal year. \$2.6 billion accounts for various expenditures related to COVID.

Upcoming Procurements / Leverage Opportunities/ Common Funding Initiatives

Children's Services Council

Maria J. announced that CSC's Respite Program procurement was released and will close on March 15, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. The Pre-Bid Conference is set to take place on February 9, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Maria J. thanked members that are going to serve as raters.

Additional Updates

Renee J. announced ELC is getting information out to the public to try and reach more children to enroll in ELC's School Readiness Program and their Voluntary Pre-K program that currently has low attendance. Renee. J. will share both flyers with members to pass along.

Renee J. is also waiting to hear about stimulus funding. Childcare providers are struggling. Reimbursement is now based on attendance and not enrollment. It is a challenge with trying to keep the class size small and centers safe.

Next Meeting

Maria J. asked members if they wanted to meet on March 5th. Members requested a March meeting to receive another update from BCPS.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Next Steps, Tasks & Follow-up

➤ On-going topics & updates:

- Racial Equity
- Quantum Foundation Digital Divide project for Broward
- Student Engagement and Data Sharing with BCPS and Community Partners.
- COVID-19 Funding Spreadsheet updates

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- 211 funding
- **Meetings to be scheduled:**
 - Meeting with Broward County Human Services Department to coordinate services for families that are declined Family Success funding and need to be connected to United Way's Center for Working Families programs.
 - March 5th Funders Forum Meeting
- **The following documents will be shared with members:**
 - A copy of 211's funding spreadsheet and presentation
 - Information about the Police and Criminal Justice Review Board and the Racial Equity Task Force.
 - Racial Equity Institute's two-day racial equity training.
 - Article on slow violence
 - ELC's flyers on School Readiness Program and Voluntary Pre-K
 - An updated COVID-19 spreadsheet.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, March 5, 2021 from 2:00–3:30 P.M. via Zoom.

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Special Needs Advisory Coalition (SNAC) - Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 7, 2021 @ 9:30am
Meeting Held via Zoom

Chair(s) in Attendance:

Dr. Justin Kohlhagen (JAFCO Children's Ability Center)

SNAC Members in Attendance:

2-1-1 Broward (Billie Morgan; Gail Moore); **Advocacy Network on Disabilities** (Ire Diaz); **Advocate** (Robert Mayersohn); **Agency for Persons with Disabilities** (Milroy Senat); **Center for Independent Living** (Brian Johnson); **Arc Broward** (Mirian Perez, Shawn Preston, Jody Ellis); **Autism Speaks Florida** (Stacey Hoaglund); **Broward County Public Schools** (Cedric Maddox, Diane Eagan, Dr. Natalie Neree, Gwen Lipscomb, Teresa Hall); **Children's Diagnostic Treatment Center** (Ellen Schrot); **Equine-Assisted Therapies of South Florida** (David Plath); **Family Network on Disabilities** (Lisa Math); **GAPS Legal** (Michelle Kenney, Esq); **Memorial Hospital** (Berta Plantz, Laura Costa, Marilyn Camerota); **Project 10** (Lisa Friedman-Chavez); **YMCA South Florida** (Susan Feldman); **Ann Storck Center** (Karen Flowers); **College Living Experience** (Sandra Soriano); **Florida Health** (Rachel Baker-Blackwell); **Family Care Council** (Marty Norris); **The Journey Institute** (Dr. Harleen Hutchinson); **A Chance for Therapy** (Florencia Tischler); **Therapeutically Beautiful** (Alicia-Ann Samuel).

CSC Staff in Attendance:

Marissa Aquino – Planning & Evaluation Manager Special Needs; Piper Weber – Programs Manager; Megan Turetsky – Government Affairs Manager; Liza Khan – Sr. Programs Manager; Melissa Soza – Programs Manager; Dr. Joshua Caraballo – Research & Evaluation Manager; Dr. S. Lorenzo Benaine – Research & Evaluation Manager; Jessica Rincon – Programs Manager

I. Welcome & Introductions:

Justin Kohlhagen welcomed the committee members at 9:30am and wished the members a happy and healthy new year.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by David Plath, seconded by Billie Morgan.

III. **SNAC Logos:**

Marissa Aquino, CSC Planning & Evaluation Manager Special Needs, announced a few changes to the SNAC logo that were revised by Betty Dominguez (CSC Data Manager). There are two formats, jpeg and png logos. The logos will be sent, via email, after the meeting. Please use the new SNAC logos moving forward. Justin thanked Marissa for all the hard work for and with the committee to make sure it runs on schedule with everything members need.

IV. **Mindfulness for Students with Disabilities:**

Mirian Perez, Arc Transition Specialist, shared the mindfulness skills she uses with the students at Arc Broward 30 minutes daily. The members practiced using a mindfulness moment. Mirian shared breathing techniques she uses every day to pause and be present. Mirian encouraged the members to practice mindfulness skills daily.

Please reach out to Mirian “Bev” Perez, telephone (240) 838-9620, email: mperez@arcbroward.com

V. **Legislative:**

Megan Turetsky, CSC Government Affairs Manager, announced that the legislative delegation of Broward County held their second public hearing yesterday. They went through their local bills, one of which included creating a Senior Services Council. Also, legislators have started with pre committee week. There are a lot of things that are very unsure about how the legislature is going to convene during COVID. The House and Senate have sent out very different proposals regarding access to meetings and legislators.

Bob Mayersohn, Advocate, questioned if [House Bill 149](#) and [Senate Bill 192](#) Students With Disabilities in Public Schools will move forward this year. He asked is any advocacy is needed to move it forward. Megan advised to hold for a little bit to see how the bills are moving in the first few weeks of pre committee week.

Please reach out to Megan at mturetsky@cscbroward.org, or cell phone at 954-551-0735.

VI. **Broward County Public Schools:**

Pre-K Update

Gwen Lipscomb, Broward County Public Schools, provided an overview on the status of the Pre-K Evaluations. The assessment teams are meeting with the families virtually and face-to-face. Part B (ages 3-5) August - December had 653 total children referred. Of the 653 children, 387 were tested, 74 passed screening, and 96 were no shows after several attempts. Part C (<age 3) July – December had 626 total children referred. Of those referrals,

506 children were tested, 25 passed screening, 23 children were no show after multiple attempts.

All assessment teams are testing both Part B and Part C children. Referrals are currently distributed evenly to assessment teams as they are generated. The current timeline for Part B (3-5 years old) are as follows: New referrals generated the week of January 4, 2021 will likely be scheduled for March appointments. Parents should expect to be contacted in late February to schedule the appointments. The current timeline for Part C (<3 years old) are as follows: Assessment appointments for children transitioning from Early Steps are typically scheduled to occur 6-8 weeks prior to the child's 3rd birthday. Assessment teams are currently contacting parents of children with late February and early March birthdays to set up appointments, and eligibility staffing will be held on or before the child's 3rd birthday.

In the 2020-2021 school year, FDLRS established some new procedures to make work a little bit more efficient such as all assessment teams are testing both part B and Part C children. All referrals now are being evenly distributed among the 20 assessment teams as they come in. The families who speak Spanish or Haitian Creole no longer have to come in a different date. They are scheduling them as they are referred.

Billie Morgan, 211 Broward, offered 211 team members to assist with engaging and following up with parents that are slipping through the cracks.

Gwen reported the teams have worked hard to refine the process and doing a much better job and working more efficiently. They will continue to use a virtual platform for those families who are unable to travel.

Diane Eagan, BCPS Pre K Elementary Director, reported she will follow up and provide percentage of families in virtual vs face to face schooling.

A workgroup was formed to further the conversation and continue overseeing the data. The workgroup includes Jessica Rincon, Ire Diaz, Ellie Schrot, Stacy Hoaglund, and Dr Harleen Hutchinson. Diane Eagon reported she will send a representative from the district to attend the workgroup.

Transition Update

Dr. Nathalie Neree, BCPS, presented on behalf of Stacy Wolfe the Transition Supervisor. The school district has a transition team which consist of five (5) Transition Program Specialists who support all high schools. Transition Specialists provide support and services to students in High School beginning in 9th grade through the age of 22. There are also district job coaches who support students within the schools and in workplaces.

Transition specialists organize and present information sessions twice a week . They also provide a monthly transition information session titled "Turning 18" which focuses on guardianship and is presented by Michelle Kenney and the Nova Law Clinic.

Currently in place are Canvas courses about transition services and resources within the community. The eLearning courses include pre-employment training courses focusing on building pre-employment skills for students, the life path, and virtual job shadowing. Some students, who are 18 to 22, previously completed a work-based learning program that was at Hilton locations. Unfortunately, these locations have been impacted by the pandemic and are no longer available worksites for the students. Some of those hotel locations shut down due to COVID related safety concerns. The Memorial Hospital locations are currently closed for the students. However, SDBC is offering virtual activities to try and keep them engaged and still learning skills.

For more information, please contact Stacy Wolfe at Stacy.Wolfe@browardschools.com

VII. Community Roundtable COVID-19 Needs/Updates:

Justin Kohlhagen encouraged members to share any unmet needs in the community as this is an opportunity to collaborate and address the needs.

Marissa, CSC, announced the CSC 20/21 Funded Program Directory and the CSC 19/20 Annual Report is now available on the CSC website.

Concerns were brought up regarding parents preparing for Spring Break and Summer Camps. Parents want to pre-plan options for their kids. Members reported there is so much uncertainty and parents are missing out on information. A workgroup was formed to explore the possibility of a virtual resource fair with information on spring and summer camp services. Bob Mayersohn will reach out to the ESE Parent Advisory to ask for participation. Ellie Schrot will reach out to Renee Jaffee to ask the date for ELC Early Childhood Conference, to possibly integrate it with parent resource fair. Billie offered to gather the list of resources. Justin encouraged the committee to see if any of the special needs partners in the committee are already planning on hosting a virtual event that SNAC can be a part of. Members are to provide any updates to Marissa prior to the next meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting [March 4, 2021 at 9:30am](#) via Zoom.

IX. Adjourn



Broward County Board of County Commissioners
Children's Services Board
Regular Board Meeting Minutes – November 20, 2020
Government Center, Conference Room 430
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order

Ms. Swartzbaugh-Ghezzi, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:13 am

2. Roll Call

Karen Swartzbaugh-Ghezzi, Chair, asked Cassandra Evans, to call roll. A quorum was established with Sandra Einhorn, Cassandra Evans, Parkland Vice Mayor Robert Mayersohn, Joel Smith, Jarvis Brunson, Pastor Andrew-Craig Nugent, Cassandra Evans, Dr. Antoine Hickman, Daniel Schevis, Karen Swartzbaugh-Ghezzi

Members attending remotely included: Monica King, Elida Segrera, Allicia Walford, Paige Patterson-Hughes, Julia Musella, Dr. Andrea Keener and Kim Gorsuch.

Staff Members in attendance: Idelma Quintana, Commission Aide; Keith D. Bostick, Human Services (HSD) Deputy Director; Silvia Beebe, Community Partnerships Assistant Director (CPD); LaToya Davenport, Children's Services Administration (CSA); and Tiffani Currie, (CSA).

3. Approval of CSB October 16, 2020 Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes as presented by staff

First: Robert Mayersohn

Second: Sandra Einhorn

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

4. Chair Report

- **Next meeting Quorum attendance**

Ms. Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi stated there will be no CSB Meeting in December. She suggested increasing the number of Needs Assessment Committee (NAC) meetings, to prepare a presentation for the Board of County Commissioners Workshop taking place in February. She requested all board members to attend if possible, to contribute to the presentation. Ms. Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi noted the NAC meeting would take place December, January, and early February. Ms. Davenport confirmed that it has been permitted for the NAC meetings to be held virtually if voting is not taking place. Ms. Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi stated the Commissioners Letter is currently in the process of being finalized by the County staff.

- **Proposed FY 21 CSB meeting schedule**

Motion: To change the January CSB Meeting from January 15 to the January 22

First: Pastor Andrew Craig Nugent

Second: Sandra Veszi Einhorn

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

- **FY 21 Committee chairs and members appointment**

Ms. Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi reappointed Robert Mayersohn as Chair of the Needs Assessment Committee, and appointed Andrea Keener, Cassandra Evans, Karen Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi, Dan Schevis, Monica King, Paige Patterson- Hughes, and Pastor Craig Nugent as Committee members.

Sandra Veszi Einhorn was appointed as liaison to the Broward Days Children and Families subcommittee. She will report any new information back to the CSB. Robert Mayersohn was appointed as liaison to the State Nutrition Action Council.

Ms. Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi noted there needed to be quorum for the upcoming CSB meeting in January 22,2020 that will be held in-person. Sandra Veszi Einhorn, Cassandra Evans, Robert Mayersohn, Joel Smith, Jarvis Brunson, Pastor Andrew-Craig Nugent, Cassandra Evans, Dr. Antoine Hickman, Daniel Schevis, Karen Swartzbaugh-Ghezzi, Monica King, and Sara Gillespie Cummings volunteered to appear in person and establish quorum for the upcoming January CSB meeting per the Governor's Executive Order.

5. Section Report

- **Advisory Board/Ethics Training-Update**

Ms. Davenport informed the board that the County Attorney's office declined to host the proposed Board/Ethics workshops citing each conflict should be addressed individually. She mentioned a meeting can be schedule with CAO and Orlando Garcia (Intergovernmental Affairs), for any CSB member presented with a conflict of interest

- **Governor's Executive Order (Upcoming CSB and committee Meetings)-Update**

Ms. Davenport stated virtual meeting are permitted if no committee items are being voted on. If a vote must take place by the board, then a quorum must be present, and all other board members can participate virtually.

- **CSA FY 2020 Year End Programmatic/Fiscal Report/SAMIS update**

Ms. Davenport presented an update on Broward County's Children Services Administration programmatic implementation, fiscal year reports for 2020, and SAMIS. Ms. Davenport provided insight on future request for proposals, and service categories for the coming years. She mentioned the anticipation of requiring providers to begin electronically submitting information via SAMIS update by next year. Ms. Davenport opened the floor for any questions from Board members. Following the presentation, Mr. Joel Smith recommended having the outcomes reflect client utilization of the services, and not the access to the service. CSB discussed the need to properly allocate funds to properly address social justice. Deputy Director Keith Bostic stated the new RFP's will include language which will encourage providers to support initiatives to dismantle racism. Ms. Swartzbaugh-Ghezzi requested that future service delivery models are discussed in upcoming needs assessment meetings in January. She also requested CPD staff to share with CSB the social justice definition, that was previously discussed. Ms. Beebe stated a timeline for Service Delivery Model's (SDM) will be created by December and brought to the NAC in January.

6. Committee Chair's Reports

- **Needs Assessment**

Robert Mayersohn stated the focus of the NAC in the coming months is to prepare the presentation for the Board of County Commissioners. Ms. Davenport stated CPD staff is gathering data for the upcoming NAC meeting's presentation preparation.

- **Advocacy**

Sandra Veszi Einhorn stated she will circle back with the Broward Days Children and Families group. She stated once decisions are made by the state level, she will bring information to CSB in the January CSB meeting.

- **Nominating Committee**

Nominating Committee Chair, Mr. Schevis, presented the following slate of officers for consideration by the CSB: Karen Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi as Chair, Cassandra Evans as Vice Chair, and Pastor Andrew Craig Nugent as Secretary. Ms. Swartzbaugh- Ghezzi opened the floor for additional nominations for CSB officers.

Motion: To close CSB nominations

First: Dan Schevis

Second: Robert Mayersohn

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

Motion: To accept the slate of officers nominated by the Nominating Committee

First: Robert Mayersohn

Second: Sandra Veszi Einhorn

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

7. Liaison Reports

- **Behavioral Health/SEDNET**

None

- **Broward Suicide Prevention Coalition**

Mr. Smith stated the Broward Suicide Prevention Coalition is actively trying to get community providers and organizations to participate in the zero-suicide assessment of the organization. He also stated they are actively working to educate the gun store owners. The community is committed to performing a psychological autopsy to determine what is motivating community members to take their lives. There will be a six-month period to analyze death by suicide.

- **Integrated Data System**

Ms. Evans stated that the next meeting will be held December 2, 2020.

- **Juvenile Justice Circuit 17**

Ms. Evans stated Juvenile justice staff are integrating back into the community to provide direct supervision of clients and maintain public safety.

- **SNAC**

Mr. Mayersohn stated that the next meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2020.

- **Transitional Independent Living**

None

8. New Business

None

9. Old Business

- **DRI Workshop Follow-up**

Ms. Davenport stated all Children's Services Board members will be required to take the 2-day Dismantling Racism Initiative training. She will send out those invitations along with instructions on how to sign up.

- **Wrap Around**

None

10. Public Comment

None

11. Good of the Order

No Report

12. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

First: Dr. Antoine Hickman

Second: Sandra Einhorn

Declaration of Conflict: None

Discussion: None

Result: Passed

The next Children's Services Board Meeting will be Friday, February 19, 2021. These minutes were approved at the Children's Services Board Meeting dated January 22, 2021 as certified by:

Pastor Andrew-Craig Nugent 
Children's Services Board Secretary

CSC In The NEWS



CORONA-NNOUNCEMENTS

S. FLORIDA TIMES— FEBRUARY 9, 2021

CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY RESPITE 2021 RFP: The intent of the CSC request for proposals (RFP) is to expand the availability of programs to offer out-of-home respite services for the caregiver of a child 5-13 years of age who exhibits behavioral health challenges that severely disrupt daily functioning in their home, school, or community. The procurement is available through CSC’s web-based Contract Administration and Procurement System (CAPS) and responses must be submitted through CAPS. Interested parties must access the RFP from the CSC website cscbroward.org. Training on the use of CAPS during the Virtual Pre-Bid Conference on Feb. 9, at 1 p.m. via Zoom, will be the only opportunity to receive verbal instructions regarding the RFP. To register for the conference, visit [cscbroward.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAodOmhqjMqGdwsoGysEjrn4TmaDloh_ygr](https://cscbroward.zoom.us/j/91911111111). The “Agency Financial Viability” section of CAPS be submitted prior to the RFP application deadline, Feb. 26 by 4 p.m. Completed applications must be submitted through CAPS by 4 p.m. on March 15.

Source: [CORONA-NNOUNCEMENTS | South Florida Times \(sfltimes.com\)](https://www.sfltimes.com/news/corona-announcements)



Public Awareness Campaign Aims to Keep Children Safe, Nurtured and Healthy

January 25, 2021 at 12:32 pm Filed Under: [Broward Aware](#), [Child Abuse](#), [Children's Services Council of Broward County](#), [CSC Broward](#), [Sponsored](#) Sponsored By Children's Services Council

The Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children campaign, powered by the [Children's Services Council](#), is a four-month awareness campaign that uses the full spectrum of media to ensure that Broward County families, educators, media, law enforcement and all stakeholders use and share resources that make it possible for children to safely realize their full potential, hopes and dreams.

The Broward AWARE! campaign is inspired by the work of the Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida and Prevent Child Abuse/Pinwheels for Prevention Florida and is dedicated to:

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

Broward AWARE! includes several community events throughout the campaign that will culminate in April, during Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Under the 2021 theme, ***Bouncing Back Together "We Got This"***, the campaign will highlight topics to educate and create awareness in communities within Broward County.

For more information on Broward AWARE! and upcoming events throughout the campaign, visit cscbroward.org/broward-aware or call (954) 831-6477.

Local partners of Broward AWARE! include: Broward County Nancy J. Cotterman Center, Broward County Parks and Recreation, Broward County Public Schools, Broward Sheriff's Office, ChildNet Inc., Children's Services Council of Broward County, Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center, Community Based Connections Inc., Dept. of Children and Families, Dept. Of Health in Broward, Every Mother's Advocate, Fort Lauderdale Police, Florida Dept. of Health in Broward County, Guardian ad Litem Program Broward, HandsOn Broward, HANDY, Jack and Jill Children's Center, Jewish Federation of Broward County, Kid Inc., KidSafe Foundation, Mt. Bethel Human Services, OIC of South Florida, Ounce of Prevention Florida, Swim Central, The South Florida Institute on Aging, Urban League of Broward County, Women In Distress of Broward County Inc., YMCA of South Florida and more....

About the Children's Services Council of Broward County

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

To learn more about programs and services the Children's Services Council funds, please call (954) 377-1000 or visit cscbroward.org. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Sponsored by the Children's Services Council of Broward County.

Source: [Public Awareness Campaign Aims to Keep Children Safe, Nurtured and Healthy – CBS Miami \(cbslocal.com\)](http://www.cbslocal.com)



Staying Committed to Equity in the New Year

Yesterday we inadvertently sent out our 2021 Newsletter in the wrong format. This is an updated version of that same email. The Education Redesign Lab, Children's Funding Project and the Forum for Youth Investment look forward working with you in 2021.

To our incredible network,

First, let's start off this new year's newsletter by acknowledging and celebrating all of the hard work children's cabinets have put in to achieve great gains for young people, despite the onslaught of challenges we all faced in 2020. We saw several cabinets gain traction after only being activated for a year, young people added to advisory boards, highly effective pivots made to ensure practices and resources could function virtually, and much more.

To name a few big wins, we saw Hamilton County Children's Cabinet stood up as a new coordinating body in 2019 and immediately establish themselves as a critical coordinating hub for children and families by launching an individualized student success planning pilot in 14 schools to ensure the equitable allocation of resources for all students. The Children's Services Council of Broward County launched a youth system organizing pilot that is designed to have young people lead the charge in deconstructing inequity within in systems at-large, and Baltimore's Promise, in conjunction with Baltimore Children's Cabinet, has been working to integrate data more effectively between youth serving government stakeholders to bridge communication silos. Additionally, with stakeholder engagement posing a challenge to all cabinets, Summit County's Family & Children First Council was able to build up a more diverse and engaged network of stakeholders that generated more cross-systems referrals, resulting in the doubling of families participating in county programming.

While these are just a few examples of the great work accomplished in 2020, we want to commend all the children's cabinets for working to prioritize the pursuit of race equity.

This sort of equity work is at the core of changing the odds so that all children and youth can thrive – and it's the most important work we can be doing right now. And yet, with all these wins and reprioritizations, we have found ourselves at the start of 2021 staring down many of the same issues we hoped to leave behind in the last year – primarily the ongoing pandemic and the subsequent economic strains that have only brought more attention to the pervasive racism and racial inequity that defines America.

As this month's attack on the U.S. Capitol made clear, the attitudes and beliefs that have gone in to creating the less viscerally shocking, but equally dangerous, systemic inequitable policies and practices that most negatively impact young people of color are still very much alive. This is a reality that we all face and must come to terms with, much like we did when the Black Lives Matter movements swept across the country in 2020. The BLM movement helped galvanize children's cabinets to analyze how they could dismantle inequities and injustices that young people of color face every day – and they achieved great gains this past year. However, the first week of 2021 has proven that there is still much work to do, and the pursuit of implementing equitable practices and policies that can influence greater systems must remain the primary objective in our work to better the odds for young people.

We at the Local Children's Cabinet Network feel fortunate to begin this new year by supporting you as your cabinets continue the equity work you committed to this past year into 2021. We understand that this work is challenging and frustrating and can take on many different shapes and structures – and we are fully prepared and committed to supporting your work in any way that we can.

So, here is to saying goodbye to a challenging year and hello to a year where we will all strive to usher in hard-fought wins that will better the odds for all young people in our respective communities. We are honored to be entering this year alongside you.

Sincerely,
Local Children's Cabinet Network Partners

The Education Redesign Lab, Children's Funding Project and the Forum for Youth Investment
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TAP into Coral Springs

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Andrea R. Jacobs, Chair of Coral Springs Coconut Creek Chamber: How Business Community Came Together To Help In MSD Tragedy

By ANDREA R. JACOBS, ESQ.
February 8, 2021 at 12:49 PM

CORAL SPRINGS, FL - As I sit down to write this column nearly three years after the February 14, 2018 massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School that killed 17 children and educators and wounded many others, I still struggle to believe that something so heinous occurred literally in my backyard.

Our community was shaken to the core and many of us suffered great losses. How could we send our kids to school (a safe haven or so we thought) and then receive the news that schools were not as safe as we thought? Additionally, how could we then hope to send our children back to the scene of the crime without severe consequences?

Several issues immediately rose to the surface within the first few weeks after the tragedy: school safety, mental health, and gun safety.

The Coral Springs Coconut Creek Regional Chamber of Commerce sprung into action to assist the many nonprofit organizations that were formed.

We started a school safety action committee that I was honored to co-chair along with my good friend Kim Kadel. We both had seniors on campus on that fateful day. Our mission was to connect the business community with all the organizations that were working to make schools safe and to foster the long-term healing of our community.

The committee helped local nonprofits such as [Children's Services Council of Broward County](#), [SOS Parkland](#), [ChangetheRef.org](#), [Parkland Cares](#), [ShineMSD](#), [safeschoolsforalex.org](#), and [makeourschoolssafe.org](#). Eventually, this committee was merged into our government affairs committee. The Chamber still has relationships with the nonprofit partners through our Chamber for Good.

Although three years have passed, the community's need for many of the services remains, especially the mental health aspect.

I remember sitting in one meeting with Rep. Christine Hunschofsky, at the time mayor of Parkland, where she said if you were even a parent of a child in the school at the time

of the shooting, you should seek out counseling as this will have long-term effects for everyone involved.

Three years later, her words ring true.

I urge anyone who is feeling angst at the approaching anniversary to contact their mental health provider or any of the nonprofit partners who render these services to the community.

*Andrea R. Jacobs, Esq., is the chair of Coral Springs Coconut Creek Regional Chamber of Commerce. She is also the managing partner in the law firm of **Brodzki Jacobs** in Coral Springs.*

Source: [Andrea R. Jacobs, Chair of Coral Springs Coconut Creek Chamber: How Business Community Came Together To Help In MSD Tragedy | TAPinto](#)



CATHY DONNELLY

Director of Community Relations, Castle Group

BACKSTORY: Donnelly, honored last spring by the United Way of Broward County as its Woman of Inspiration at the annual Women United Magnolia Luncheon, launched CastleCares, the philanthropic branch of the property management company, in 2010. Its ongoing mission is to serve children and families in need in South Florida and beyond. Donnelly is currently chair for the Children's Services Council of Broward.

PANDEMIC RELIEF: CastleCares directed funds where they were most needed during the pandemic. Early on, organizations such as Miami Jewish Health Foundation received dollars that went toward personal protective equipment for hospital and assisted living facility workers. Later, CastleCares launched free lunch deliveries for health

care employees and first responders. "With the holidays coming, our annual support of our Fort Lauderdale Black Police Officers Association is more important to us than ever, along with our annual Toy Drive supporting Boys & Girls Clubs throughout the state," she says.

SNAPSHOTS: "Our amazing Castle Family team members have gone into [neighborhoods] each day donning PPE and using all of their leadership skills to keep our communities running smoothly, with safety always [top] of mind."

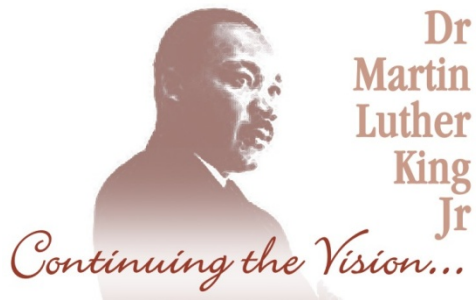
PANDEMIC LESSONS: "One, your health is everything, and it's your responsibility. We can't help others if we are ill ourselves. Masks help to save lives. Two, we all value security, and in uncertain times we need to stand up and lead by example to calm others who are fearful and need the extra support."

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CSC Correspondence



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Celebration Committee, Inc.

PO Box 122063

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

January 25, 2020

Dear Ms. Seltzer:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee, Inc. (MLKCC), I extend my heartfelt gratitude to you for participating in our 2021 King Holiday Virtual Celebration, Monday, January 18th.

Your involvement and contribution as a panelist helped to make our first virtual King Holiday Celebration successful and significant by providing a platform for meaningful dialogue which can lead to meaningful change in our community.

As you are aware, the Racial Equity Task Force will soon begin its work to eliminate racial inequalities in Broward County. It is the goal of the MLKCC organization to continue our support by providing additional virtual platforms for community dialogue around the issues of racial equity.

Continued best wishes and God's blessings.

Sincerely,

Wayne L. Alexander

Board Chair

MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE

October 2020* – September 2021 (FY 20/21)

Council Member	Oct'20	Nov'20	Dec'20	Jan'21	Feb'21	Mar'21	Apr'21	May'21	Jun'21	Jul'21	Aug'21	TRIM I	TRIM II	Sep'21
Robin Bartleman**	P	N/A	N/A	N/A										
Cathy Donnelly	P	P	N/A	P										
Beam Furr	P	P	N/A	P										
Kenneth L. Gillespie****	P	Virtual/P	N/A	Virtual										
David H. Kenton	P	P	N/A	P										
Donna P. Korn***	N/A	Virtual	N/A	Virtual										
Dawn Liberta	P	P	N/A	P										
Tom Powers	P	P	N/A	P										
Robert W. Runcie	A	Virtual	N/A	A										
Maria M. Schneider	P	Virtual	N/A	P										
Paula Thaqi	P	A	N/A	A										
Jeffrey S. Wood	P	Virtual	N/A	P										

Note: * The October meeting took place virtually via Zoom Webinar

** Ms. Bartleman resigned as School Board Member in early November

*** Ms. Korn was appointed as School Board Representative to the CSC in mid-November

**** For November meeting, Judge Gillespie was physically present for all votes