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of Broward County

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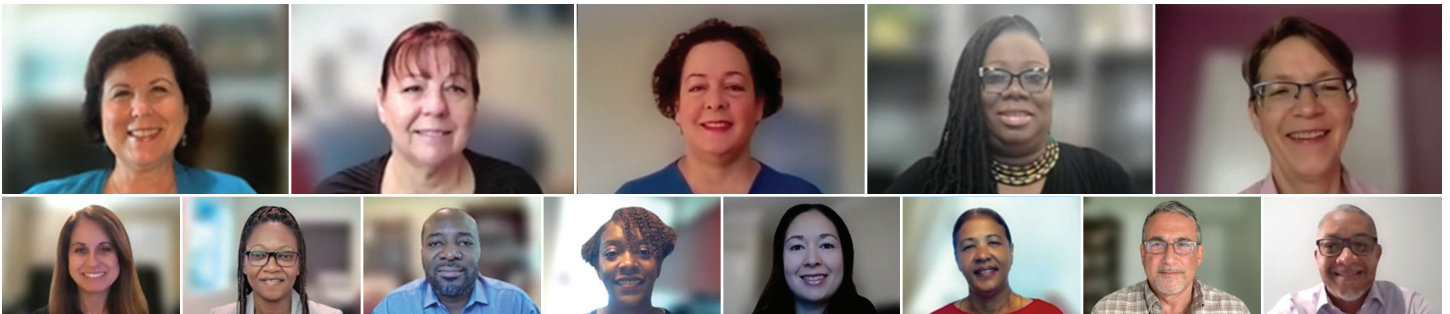


I consider myself very fortunate. As Community Development Administrator for the Florida Department of Children and Families, my work centers around ensuring children grow up in a healthy, nurturing, loving and safe environment. It's an area I have been involved in for the greater part of my adult life. Being a member of the board of the Children's Services Council for the past three years has afforded me the opportunity to bring my passion of developing and maintaining partnerships with local service organizations and community stakeholders in collaboration with my fellow Council members and the CSC's staff to another level.

I was elected Chair of the CSC in January 2021, deep into the COVID-19 crisis. My predecessor, Cathy Donnelly, had already been instrumental in helping to steer the organization through these difficult waters. As someone whose passion for the mission and vision of the CSC is evidenced as a member of the Council, a small business owner and a philanthropist, she led the board's work during one of its most challenging times never losing touch with the underlying and developing values that anchor the organization. I am immensely grateful for the

leadership she exhibited and humbled to be following in her footsteps. She and the rest of my colleagues on the board, including newly arrived Dr. Vickie Cartwright, Broward County Public Schools Interim Superintendent, and Donna Korn, Broward County Public School Board Member, are trusted colleagues in supporting the work and vision of the CSC and its amazing staff, led by President/CEO Cindy Arenberg Seltzer.

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In the coming months, as we continue to celebrate the CSC's 20 years of positive impact on the children and families of Broward, I look forward to effectively engaging the community in evidenced based and innovative ways that create long lasting changes we will be proud to look upon 20 years from now and beyond.

Dawn Liberta

Dawn Liberta
Chair

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO CINDY ARENBERG SELTZER

This year marked 20 years that I have had the good fortune to lead this organization. Taking it from inception to the mature agency it is today - widely trusted by people and organizations throughout the County - has been an amazing journey. I am so proud of the path the Council Members have set from the beginning: that effectively serving children and families while always remaining transparent and accountable to the taxpayers must always take precedence over bureaucracy.

This was a tough year to stay a step ahead, and the pandemic has definitely taken a toll on Broward's children and families, the nonprofits, and our staff, but I do believe there is robust evidence that the work we did over the year helped to ameliorate some of the damage. While working from home, our communication feedback loops remained strong, and our culture of flexibility, responsiveness and excellence was effective in keeping our organization and the child-serving agencies connected and functioning. Our mantra, "We don't succeed unless the providers succeed, and the providers don't succeed unless the children and families succeed" was truly manifested this year.

Throughout this year, we had in place ways to mitigate learning loss, support students in their academic quest at all grade levels, templates for supporting distribution of basic needs items such as food and PPE, tapping into innovative and paradigm changing ways to engage the communities we serve. All this while continuing to do the things we have been doing for more than 20 years across the gamut of services for children and families.

In a way, the pandemic brought forth a level of resilience, cooperation and innovation in the child serving community that we will undoubtedly proudly point back to. The convergence of the pandemic with the rise in social justice awareness also continued to guide us on the work we have been pursuing related to dismantling systemic inequities and bridging access to mental and behavioral wellbeing resources.

With the retirement of my dear colleague CSC Chief Communications Officer, Sandra Bernard-Bastien upon her completion of 20 years of service helping to bring CSC to life, I renamed that position Chief Equity and Community Engagement Officer, and created a new Director of Equity and Organizational Development position, to reaffirm the Council's commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion both internally and externally.

As you read through this publication, which serves as an executive summary to the more extensive Annual Performance Measure Report, you will see that many of the community engagement efforts we supported or launched adhere to these values. As well as the long established one that have been integral to our work from the CSC's inception, that all children shall have the opportunity to realize their full potential and grow in to responsible, productive adults.



Cindy Arenberg Seltzer
President/CEO



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MISSION

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 care.

VISION

The children of Broward County shall have the opportunity to realize their full potential, their hopes and their dreams, supported by a nurturing family and community.

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President/CEO

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LEADING BY CONVENING

A Year of Connecting, Innovation and Resilience

If the events of the past two years have taught us anything, the importance of connection is at the top of the list. The sense of loss we felt seeing images of empty places—streets, schools, houses of worship, stadiums, concert halls, restaurants, and conference halls accentuated the solitude of lockdowns and social isolations. The urgency of reconnecting became the overriding issue of the time.

As a funder of programs that serve hundreds of thousands of children and families in Broward and a hub for community engagement, training and capacity building for child and family serving agencies, the CSC was among leading partners supporting the nonprofit agencies so they could support Broward's children and families in safe and effective ways and inventing an infrastructure that addressed ongoing needs: material (resource distributions such as food, PPE, educational supplies, etc.), virtual (connectivity, restructuring deliverables, managing day-to-day operations) or physical, emotional and behavioral health related (community conversations on grief and trauma, addressing and dismantling racial inequities, supporting campaigns against COVID vaccine hesitancy, and more).

Even as the pandemic raged, working virtually and remotely, dozens of active committees of the Broward Children's Strategic Plan, comprised of child, youth, and family serving professionals, have continued to address community needs and find evidenced-based solutions solve them. Over the past five years, the work has also been informed by internal and external trainings on racial dynamics, often at the root of disparities in the design and delivery of services. A series of pre- and post-COVID community conversations on multigenerational grief and trauma with residents of three historically underserved communities in Broward, informed the creation of innovative programs that fully engage the communities where they are implemented.

Healing and Empowering All Living with Trauma (HEAL)

One of the most pervasive issues facing our children before and during the pandemic has been trauma. While CSC has been addressing the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) on child development for many years, since the tragedy at MSD in 2018, CSC has been going deeper into the effects of trauma from gun violence on children and youth throughout the County. While much of these incidences happen with less public attention than MSD received, the impact on the victims and their friends and family is no less traumatic. Thus, in FY 19/20 CSC began community conversations to gain a better understanding of how the community has responded to such events, what supports are available and what more is needed.

While, the pandemic restrictions initially slowed the work down, we were able to pull many virtual community conversations together. These conversations resulted in the funding of HEAL Trauma programming which will begin in FY 21/22. The HEAL Trauma programs will serve disenfranchised and underserved populations experiencing trauma in the Northeast, Central East, and Southeast

regions of Broward County. The programs will utilize the Community Mental Health Worker (CMHW) model as a community engagement and empowerment strategy to build upon existing community resiliency and increase access to and utilization of mental health services. CMHW's are trusted people from the community who have received special training on the mental health system and how to support children and families dealing with trauma. The CMHW will be overseen by a clinical supervisor. The CMHWs will be out in the community helping connect youth and families who are looking for support. This service helps families and links them to available services to address trauma and related challenges within the family and provide advocacy for system changes.

Hunger Relief/PPE

Throughout FY 20/21, CSC expanded our support of hunger relief efforts. During the extended periods that schools were not physically open, the CSC funded additional food distribution efforts of different models (drive-by, home delivery and deliveries by agencies to the clients they served) to ensure thousands of vulnerable children who normally would be fed while in school, wouldn't go hungry. And to ensure that families knew of the important services that were still available to them, CSC incorporated information on community resources into food distribution events. With respect to helping our community stay safe as well as fed, the CSC either purchased or received donations of and distributed over 250,000 masks (either disposable or reusable) along with other health safety items such as wipes and sanitizer, which were distributed to agencies still providing in person services.



Broward AWARE

After a pandemic forced hiatus, the Broward AWARE! Protecting OUR Children campaign, also reprised in person events by providing two drive-by events for hundreds of families that featured resources to help keep children safe, happy, healthy, and nurtured, as well as food provided by partners Feeding South Florida and Mobile School Pantry.

Back to School Extravaganza

Over 13,000 backpacks filled with supplies were distributed at the start of and throughout the school year. For the second year, school supplies typically distributed at large community events, were instead distributed either directly to the agencies that work with the children and youth receiving

backpacks and other supplies, or through food distribution events. The two largest partners in the effort, the YMCA of South Florida and the Crockett Foundation, reinvented the distribution process through drive by events that also included food distribution. By using social media, virtual meeting platforms, socially distant grab-n-go events and remote meetings, much of the work and impact by CSC, funded programs and community partners continued, proving once more that Broward is indeed “collaboration county” when it comes to improving the lives of our children and their families.

I DID IT / Lo Hice

As the vaccines against COVID-19 became widely available, The Health Foundation of S. Florida, Broward County Government and the Florida Department of Health in Broward County looked for trusted partners to help spread the message of the safety and efficacy of the vaccines so as to stem the devastating ongoing effects of the virus. The CSC joined the effort and supported the “I Did It/ Lo Hice” campaign. By engaging local spokespersons more easily identifiable by the campaign’s audience, partners hoped to convince those who may have been on the fence, as to the benefits of the vaccine.

Read for the Record

The 2020 Broward: Read for the Record event took place as planned on the 29th of October but with a twist: hundreds of volunteers read to students virtually. HandsOn Broward successfully recruited and prepared volunteers for the experience by providing tips on how to read the book, while schools recruited volunteers from their communities and staff. Four cities created Story Walks in their parks – Davie, Plantation, Tamarac and Parkland. Videotaped read-alouds were created and featured the four co-chairs of the Broward Reads Coalition, management and staff of United Way of Broward, Miss Penny from WPBT’s KidVision, BSO Fire Rescue personnel, BSO Deputies, U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, U.S. Rep. Ted Deutch, and the CEO and staff members of Hosanna for Youth. Numerous elected officials posted about their volunteer reading experience on their social media pages, and the CSC’s Facebook and Twitter pages featured the read-aloud videos.





MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS

To help strengthen mother-child bonding and provide child health services so that children are mentally and physically healthy, the CSC funds an array of programs, including:

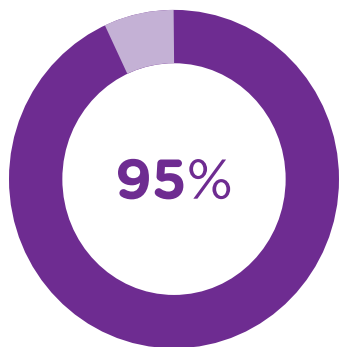
Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress (MOMS)

- Provide culturally sensitive intensive mental health therapy designed to decrease pre/post-natal depression and/or anxiety, promote maternal/child bonding, increase parenting skills, and decrease risk of child abuse and neglect. Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the MOMS providers delivered quality virtual services to nearly all of the contracted number of participants, and outcomes were consistent with a typical year.

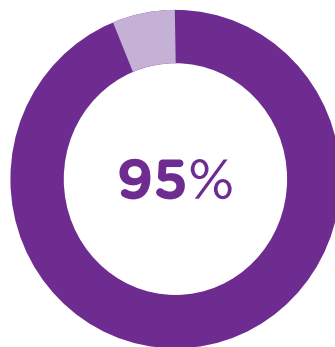
Safe Sleep

- Cribs for Kids provides cribs and education on safe sleeping practices to low-income families. The program also provides Model Behavior Training to hospital staff and safe sleep practices/risk reduction training to the community.

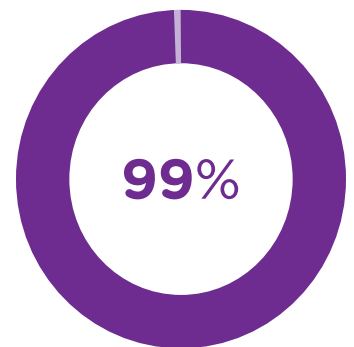
During the COVID-19 lockdown, MOMS pivoted to virtual platforms, while Safe Sleep provided services both virtually and in-person. Supports included food distributions and activities for the older children in the home. With funding from the CSC, the Safe Sleep program increased the number of cribs and pack-n-plays distributed as well as created and distributed a Safe Sleep best practices manual in three languages. The CSC also facilitated a partnership between the Broward Healthy Start Coalition and Neighbors 4 Neighbors to produce broadcast quality Safe Sleep videos.



of mothers reported fewer symptoms of depression and/or anxiety.



of infants and children met developmental milestones for communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem-solving, and social skills.



of parents/caregivers provided a crib increased their knowledge of safe infant sleep practices.



FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

The CSC funds programs that support families in ways that can help make and keep the home a safe and nurturing place. The goal of these programs is to keep children safely at home and reduce the incidence and impact of child abuse, neglect, and trauma.

During COVID-19, agencies found innovative ways to ensure the resources and information reached the families who needed them. In addition, using virtual platforms and social media, the CSC supported creating and sharing videos, presentations, and webinars, on issues like Mindful Parenting, Kinship Cafes, Human Trafficking Awareness, and more. The CSC created a directory on our website containing information for families to help manage the new COVID reality and a Mental and Behavioral Wellbeing portal with videos and testimonials to address behavioral issues and promote self-care.

The CSC convened community voices in three historically under-served Broward communities to inform and co-create a vision for the Healing and Empowering All Living with Trauma (HEAL) programs launched on October 1, 2021.

Family Support programs include:

Family Strengthening

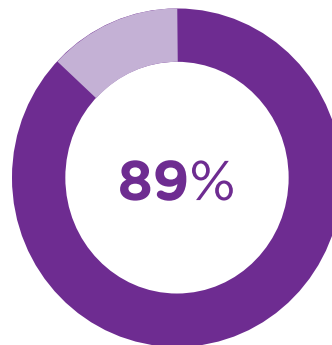
- Evidence-based and best practice interventions that address multiple socio-environmental factors to stabilize families in crisis and prevent out of home placement/involvement in dependency system.

Kinship

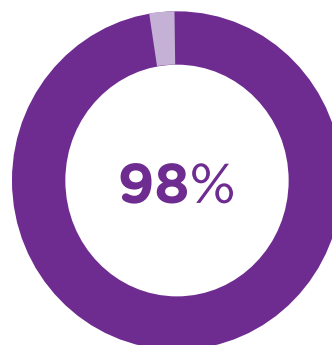
- Helps maintain stable homes for youth in relative and nonrelative care to prevent involvement in child welfare system. Since 2015, The Jim Moran Foundation has added \$200K annually to support Kinship.

Healthy Families

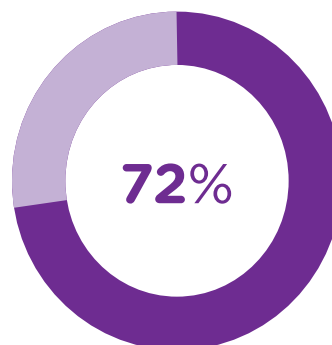
- Pre/post-natal screening, assessment, and in-home intervention to improve infant and toddler outcomes and reduce abuse and neglect. CSC funds the in-home services.



of families improved family functioning.



of families did not require foster or institutional care while receiving Kinship services.



of families that completed the program improved and/or maintained self-sufficiency.



DEPENDENCY AND DELINQUENCY SUPPORTS

Extended stays in the dependency system can have damaging long-term consequences for children and youth, including increasing chances for involvements with the delinquency system. When, for the child's safety, it is necessary for them to enter the dependency system, the CSC funds programs that help them move through the courts more quickly with the goal of securing a permanent, safe home.

To help improve life outcomes, CSC also funds legal representation for children in the system as well as children who are both in the delinquency and dependency systems.

During COVID, most court cases were handled virtually, including the celebratory National Adoption Day, where dozens of new families were made official in November 2020.



Adoption

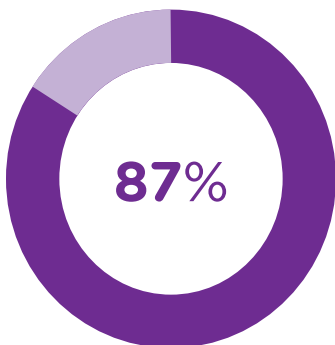
- Supports programs that recruit adoptive families for children coming out of the foster care system.

Legal Representation - Child Welfare (LR)

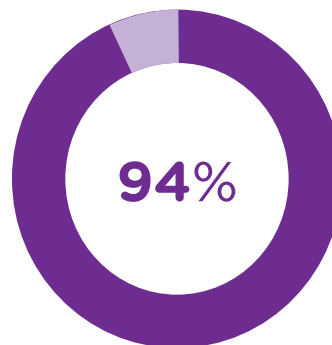
- Provide legal advocacy and support for children in child welfare to reduce length of stay and crossover youth to improve life outcomes.

Legal Advocacy Works (L.A.W.)/LAW-Line

- Legal services for youth with, or at risk for, involvement in both delinquency and dependency systems and helpline to connect the community with diversion education and Failure to Appear support.



of youth did not obtain any new law violations during the program.



of youth did not obtain new law violations 12 months after successful program completion.



FINANCIAL STABILITY

The ongoing effects of COVID-19 intensified dire conditions for thousands of families in Broward. Food insecurity continued to be a widespread issue even after schools and afterschool programs restarted in-person operations. During school breaks and holidays, the CSC funded food home deliveries to approximately 150 families through and supported different drive-by options across Broward county through various agencies. The CSC also continued to source and distribute PPE to support the funded agencies running in-person programs and distributing to families through ongoing, drive-through food distribution efforts.

During the 2021 tax season, the VITA Collaborative coordinated and managed logistics, training and the operations of free tax preparation services in Broward through a hybrid model that included drive-up tax preparation options, fully virtual options, and in-person tax preparation options. In its second year, the VITA hotline received nearly 7,000 calls. The VITA program served over 3,000 clients, completing over 1,700 returns, with refunds totaling \$1.9 million. During 2021 the program helped Broward County Families save a cumulative total of \$450,00 in tax preparation fees and had an overall economic impact in Broward County of \$2.3 million.



As the landscape remained bleak, the Council approved a Community Collaborative between CSC and United Way and allocated emergency financial assistance funds to prevent evictions distributed among the three Center for Working Families programs. This assisted families in achieving financial stability through workforce development, financial coaching, and emergency basic needs services. CSC dollars are used as a last resort after verifying that other dedicated community funds could not meet family needs.



DROWNING PREVENTION

Safeguarding children's physical health starts by assessing where children are most vulnerable and ways to prevent tragedies. Drowning remains the number one cause of accidental death for children under five years old.

For every child that dies, as a result, four more are permanently injured. That is why the CSC is a major funder of the Swim Central program. In a typical year, over 25,000 elementary-age school children receive swim lessons through the program. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, SWIM Central had to drastically change its service delivery model. As a result, many fewer children were able to take advantage of the program. In addition, the CSC funds the coordination of the Drowning Prevention taskforce, staffed by personnel from the Florida Department of Health in Broward County.

In FY 20/21, the CSC funded and supported several virtually based drowning prevention campaigns, including one intended for pre-school aged children and adults featuring Ms. Penny of KidVision, and one featuring the Ft. Lauderdale Ocean Rescue on how to remain safe at the beach.

Swim Central

- A partnership between the County, the School Board, CSC, and the SWIMS Foundation that provides free or low-cost water safety instruction and parent education for preschool and school-aged children taught by certified water safety instructors.

Drowning Prevention Taskforce

- A partnership between the Florida Department of Health in Broward County and CSC to provide leadership, coordination and large-scale drowning prevention education, social marketing, and service initiatives that target families with young children under age 4, the population most at-risk for drowning.



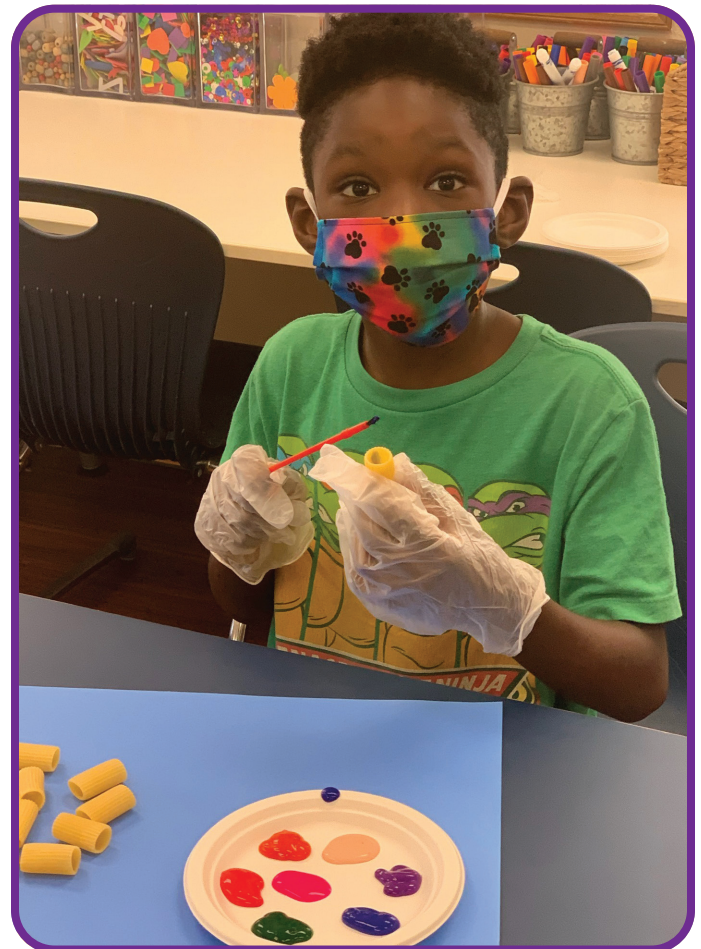
of children who participated in the swim program have not drowned 3 years after program completion.



KIDCARE AND SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM

To support the physical and mental health of children, the CSC funds the Florida Department of Health in Broward County's KidCare Outreach program. This program ensures that all eligible children in Broward sign up for and receive affordable health insurance. Even during the pandemic, when many in-person events were curtailed or cancelled, KidCare staff provided thousands of brochures and informational fliers through various distribution mechanisms including drive-by food distributions.

The CSC also funds Sierra Lifecare, Inc., to provide services at 26 Broward Schools with on-site school health services. Broward County Public Schools' COVID related protocols changed some of the requirements of the programs, including ensuring that every on-site school clinic was also equipped with an isolation room to help minimize the spread of COVID.



236,913

KidCare and Medicaid enrollment averaged 219,453 in FY 20/21.



LITERACY & EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

One of the most important cornerstone of a child’s academic and social development is the ability to learn to read at grade level by the time they reach the third grade. The CSC funds an array of programs intended to help children achieve milestones that will help ensure lifelong success.

The CSC also provides backbone support to the Broward Campaign for Grade Level Reading committee, engaging dozens of community partners in sharing data and measuring gaps and successes in early childhood education. CSC funds and supports the following areas:



Subsidized Child Care, providing childcare slots for under-served income eligible families in Broward.

Vulnerable Populations Child Care, providing immediate placement in quality childcare for specialized populations such as children of Transitional Independent Living (TIL) Youth, and Kinship families and parents of young children receiving substance abuse treatment.

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), a multi-agency, collaborative, and community-wide approach to reduce challenging behaviors by building teacher and parent capacity to manage child behaviors and nurture social/emotional growth of preschool children. With the onset of COVID-19, this program pivoted to a virtual platform.

Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade Level Reading, focusing on ensuring that all students read at grade level by third grade. The yearly culmination of the campaign is the JumpStart Read for the Record event, which inspires action towards transformative change in early education and puts books into the hands of millions of children. In October 2020, Read for the Record was held virtually. Participants videotaped and posted readings of the year’s featured book, “Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away.” The readings were shared on CSC’s and other partners’ social media platforms.

- Broward Reads was one of eight selected to be recognized for their outstanding Read for the Record celebrations by JumpStart. Broward was the top recipient for their County of the Year Award!

3,948

children were served in subsidized child care through CSC funding.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR TYPICALLY DEVELOPING CHILDREN AND CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

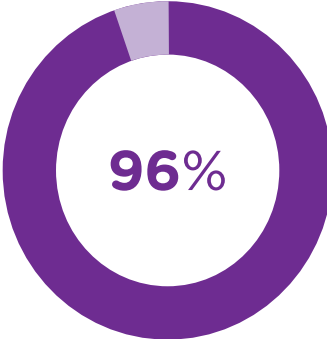
Keeping children in a safe, enriching environment when not in school is an essential support to many Broward families. That is why the CSC funds **Maximizing Out of School Time (MOST)** programs. During the worst of the pandemic, many providers opted to offer virtual services to elementary aged general population children. That was less feasible for those agencies providing services to children with special needs, who continued to provide in-person services.

MOST providers moved back into brick and mortar locations to offer in-person afterschool programming in October 2020, but fewer children were served on a consistent basis due to social distancing protocols and ongoing COVID health concerns. However, providers continued to frequently reach out to families to assess their needs and provide resources and linkages to services in their areas. Virtual value-added activities including physical, dramatic, and performance activities continued to provide the children with enriching experiences.

In the summer of 2021 providers continued to offer the **MOST** requirements, as appropriate, including enrichment, physical fitness, project based learning, and social-emotional learning activities. Many providers also ventured from only offering on-site enrichment experiences and took children to local enrichment activities including bowling, mini-golf, and swimming.



MOST GP and SN—100% of children remained safe.



MOST SN 96% of classrooms met quality standards for PBL.



MOST Respite 100% of parents were satisfied with respite services.



MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The middle school years are often the most challenging ones for youth in many respects: children becoming teenagers are more susceptible to peer pressure, are more apt to challenge authority in ways that can have long term consequences. That is why the CSC funds middle-school initiatives that increase protective/resiliency factors and reduce risk factors associated with delinquency, teen pregnancy, and other risky behaviors, making it more likely that youth will succeed in school. During COVID, a variety of challenges led to fewer children served on a consistent basis, though summer enrollment improved. CSC funded programs include:

Youth FORCE

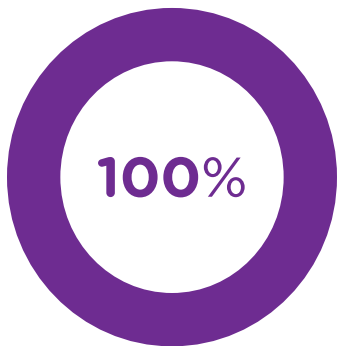
- Provides year-round programming that serves students attending 20 high-need middle schools to promote positive youth development and school and community attachment. They include counseling, academic supports, community service learning, career exploration, and the Teen Outreach Program (TOP), a nationally recognized social skills curriculum.

PEACE

- Provides year-round programming that serves students attending 3 high-need middle schools designed to assist youth in developing competencies to assist with academic subjects, address social emotional learning through art and music, and expose youth to potential career and technical occupations.

Choose Peace Initiative

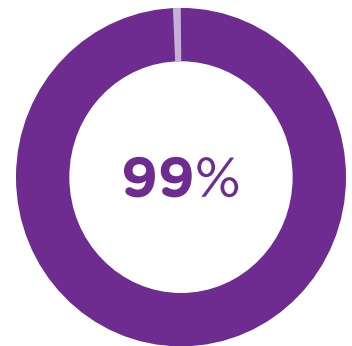
- Choose Peace/Stop Violence is a school based collaborative (CSC, UW, BCPS) to educate, engage, inspire and empower elementary, middle and high school youth to take action and bring about positive change for the purpose of preventing bullying, youth crime, and violence.



of female youth did not become pregnant and male youth did not cause a pregnancy.



of youth self-report not using alcohol or drugs.



of youth did not obtain new law violations during the program.



HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR TYPICALLY DEVELOPING YOUTH & YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Providing safe, enriching alternatives to high school youth preparing to enter adulthood is important in helping to reduce risk factors associated with delinquency, teen pregnancy, and other risky behaviors to help youth successfully transition to adulthood. Therefore, the CSC funds programs that engage youth in positive and engaging ways. These include:

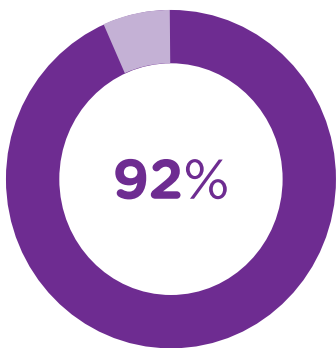
High School Initiatives

- CSC's LEAP High programs provide academic and personal enrichment services at thirteen (13) Title 1 high schools designed to help youth graduate on time. The programs provide tiered case management services at six (6) of the high schools to help youth graduate and achieve their post-secondary aspirations.

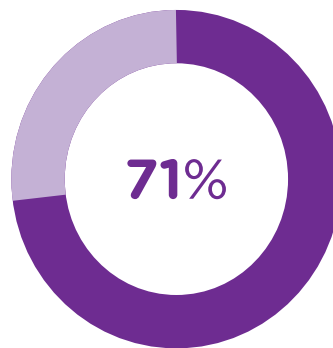
Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

- The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides economically disadvantaged youth ages 16-18 the opportunity to gain employability skills and paid work experience during the summer break. In FY 20/21, CSC expanded summer youth employment opportunities to 200 additional high school youth.

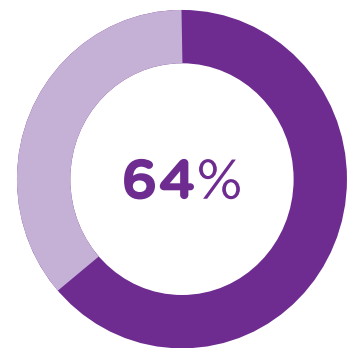
“The kids were a blessing to us. We appreciated the program for allowing us the extra help, plus allowing us to help mentor the youth with proper on-the-job training.”



of youth enrolled in credit recovery achieved gains in focus subject.



of youth improved Language Arts/Reading grade.



improved their math grades.



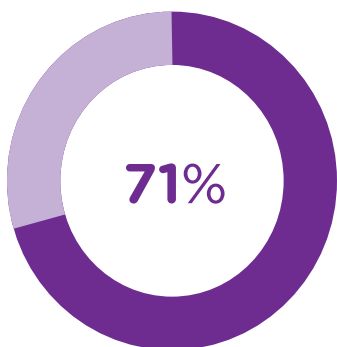
Broward Bridge to Life (B2L)

Broward County's Local College Access Network. B2L is a platform for students' voices to be heard. It helps empower young people to prepare for their future and ensures students are equipped with the tools necessary to transition post-secondary educational opportunities and or employment successfully. B2L's work is guided through a racial equity lens. It involves students working as co-equals from dozens of partner human services agencies including, the school district, institutions of higher education, employers, and youth-serving agencies.

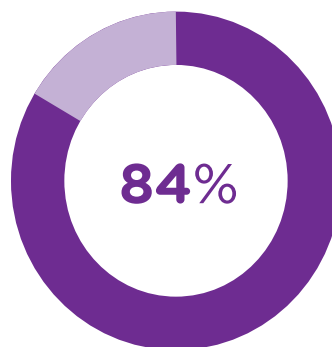
Special Needs Programs

Broadening the spectrum of employment opportunities for young people with special needs helps them integrate in productive society, giving them a sense of responsibility and accomplishment. The CSC funds **Supported Training and Employment Programs (STEP)**, leading-edge initiatives to prepare teens with disabilities for independence after completing school, an effective means to a successful transition to adulthood. STEP:

- Operates afterschool programs focusing on independent living skills with career exploration activities and social skills development, and offers paid employment opportunities during the summer.



SN 71% of youth acquired measurable skills in Work Required Behaviors



SN 84% of youth acquired measurable skills in Daily Living Activities

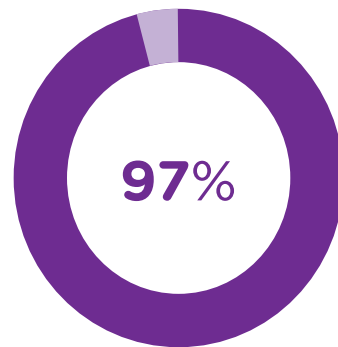


HEALTHY YOUTH TRANSITIONS & INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAMS

Some life circumstances can create more formidable challenges in a youth's experience. The CSC funds programs that strengthen supports for youth aging out of foster care (TIL youth), those living in relative or kinship care, those who are involved with the juvenile justice system and those who identify as LGBTQ, so they can successfully transition to adulthood despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the HYT providers were able to deliver quality virtual and hybrid services

Healthy Youth Transition (HYT)

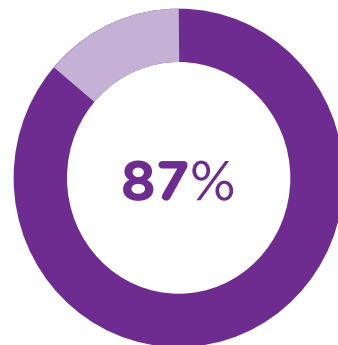
- Prepares youth in protective supervision, youth in relative or non-relative care, youth involved with juvenile justice, and LGBTQ youth for adulthood.
- Provides independent living skills training, vocational exploration and training, mentoring, case management, trauma-informed and trauma-focused therapy and other supportive services.



of youth ages 15-19 had no new pregnancies or caused a pregnancy during the program

Fort Lauderdale Independent Training & Education Center (FLITE)

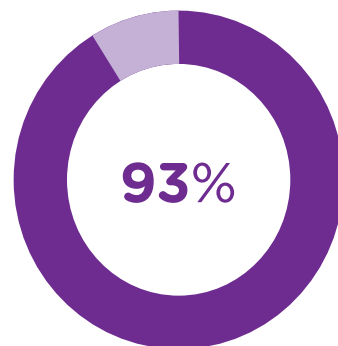
- A community collaborative providing coordination, resources, and direct services to TIL youth.
- The Child Welfare System Youth Organizing Pilot creates authentic youth engagement by creating an environment to train TIL youth and system professionals to co-identify and co-create solutions to the issues plaguing the child welfare system.



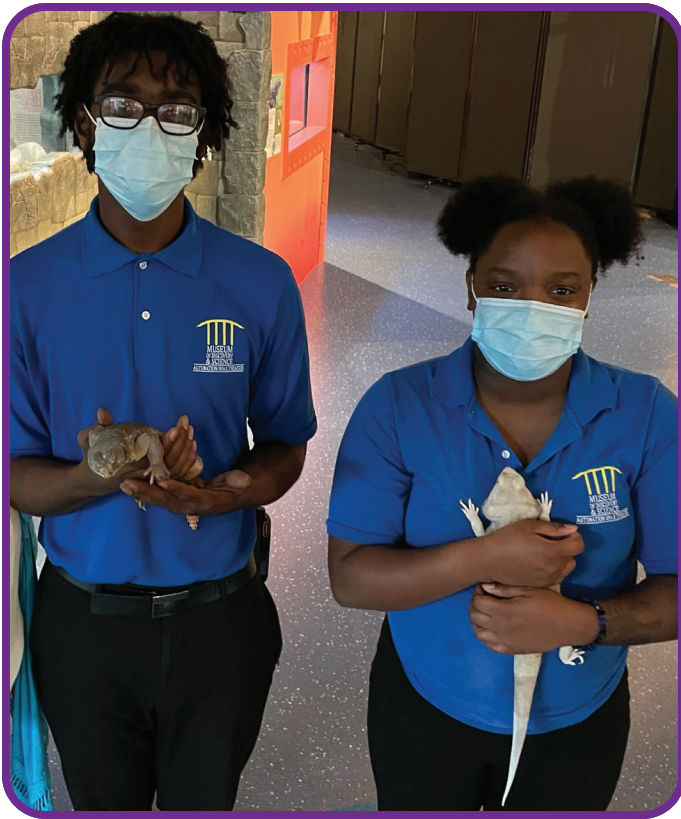
of youth demonstrated proficiency in employability and job retention skills

Housing Opportunities Mortgage Assistance & Effective Neighborhood Solutions (HOMES)

- A community collaborative providing paid internships and housing to TIL youth.



of youth had stable housing during the program



Museum of Discovery and Science (MODS) Internship Program

- A program that offers paid internships to young adults ages 16 to 22 who are transitioning out of the foster care system and LGBTQ young adults. These internships help prepare the young adults for future employment and economic stability

“It gave me a good system of support. They helped me get the food stamps, find a job, and a support system during the pandemic.”

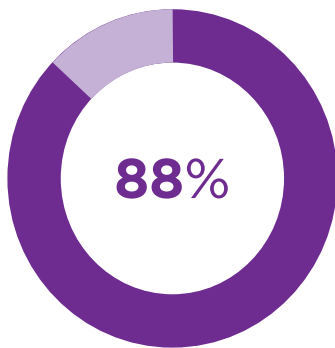




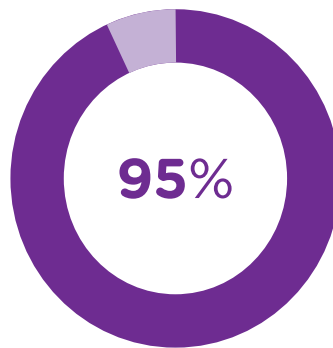
DELINQUENCY DIVERSION PROGRAMS

Sometimes youth make bad decisions that can lead to incarceration and negative, life-long consequences. The entire community benefits when youth who come into contact with law enforcement are given a second chance to get their lives back on track. Recognizing that data shows racial disparity in how the criminal justice system deals with youth of color adds a sense of urgency in co-creating a structure that diminishes recidivism and gives all young people an opportunity to thrive. That is why the CSC funds New Diversion Alternatives for Youth (New DAY). An integral part of the program includes Restorative Justice (RJ) Conferencing, bringing together the wrongdoer, the impacted party family members, community representatives, and others impacted directly or indirectly by the offense, to heal and devise a plan of action to address the harm caused by the offense with all parties involved. Although a reduction in referrals from all referring entities led to lower numbers served, despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the New DAY providers were able to deliver quality virtual and hybrid services.

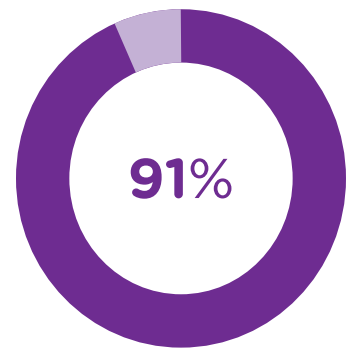
“Just being able to call someone and have them give me good advice is the best part of the program.”



of youth successfully completed diversion program



of youth had no law violations during program participation



of youth had no re-offenses 12 months after program completion



SIMPLIFIED POINT OF ENTRY

The CSC has been a long-time funder of 2-1-1 First Call for Help because it provides a simplified point of entry for families seeking information on needed resources by phone, text, or website. Over the past few years, and in particular because of the COVID-19 pandemic, 2-1-1 has been a valuable resource for information on mental and behavioral health supports, food access and financial assistance. CSC funded services include:

Services include:

- Information and referral services to community resources and crisis support. 211 is available 24/7 and multilingual.
- A Special Needs and Behavioral Health Unit for families with children with physical and developmental disabilities and behavioral needs.
- A Special Needs and Behavioral Health Needs that includes warm transfers to dedicated case management services provided respectively by Jewish Adoption & Foster Care Options (JAFCO) and Henderson Behavioral Health.
- A Teen Suicide Prevention crisis line.



*Any time. Safe place. Confidential.
Anonymous. Supportive.*

64,193

GP Hotline contacts

156,587

GP website hits

3,101

SN & BH Contacts



CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

The CSC supports dozens of family and child-serving non-profit organizations through its Capacity Building programs. These include access to professional trainings, on-site and virtual coaching, and volunteer support. In addition, as part of the organization's ongoing commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion practices, the CSC established the inaugural Racial Equity and Social Justice Cadre and expanded current capacity building grant support to include funding for racial-equity-centered infrastructure building projects. Staff served as a key contributor to the Urban League of Broward County's Racial Equity Diversity and Inclusion (REDI) Toolkit, as well as coordinated the first CEOs for Racial Equity Learning Series, which engaged over 25 local nonprofit leaders.

Because of ongoing COVID related health safeguards, rather than in person, 122 trainings covering 105 topics were offered to over 2,300 individuals through virtual platforms.

\$172,156

was invested in non-profit agencies through Capacity Building Grants.

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organizations were awarded Capacity Building Grants.

245 hours

hours of professional coaching and consulting.

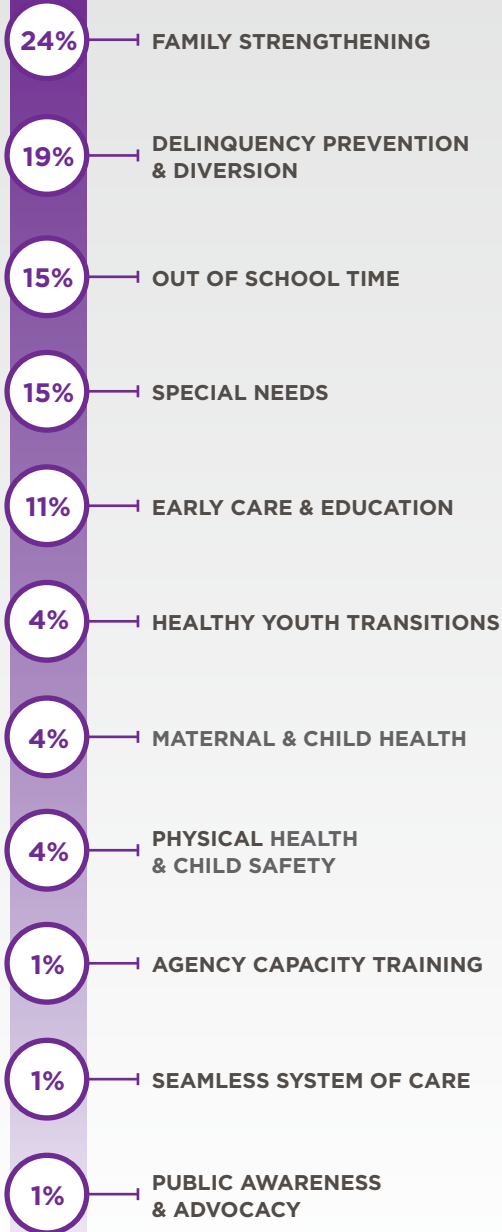
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projects completed that improved business function and increased resiliency.

FINANCIAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021

BUDGET FOR PROGRAM SERVICES BY GOAL



Total Program Budget
\$94,579,455

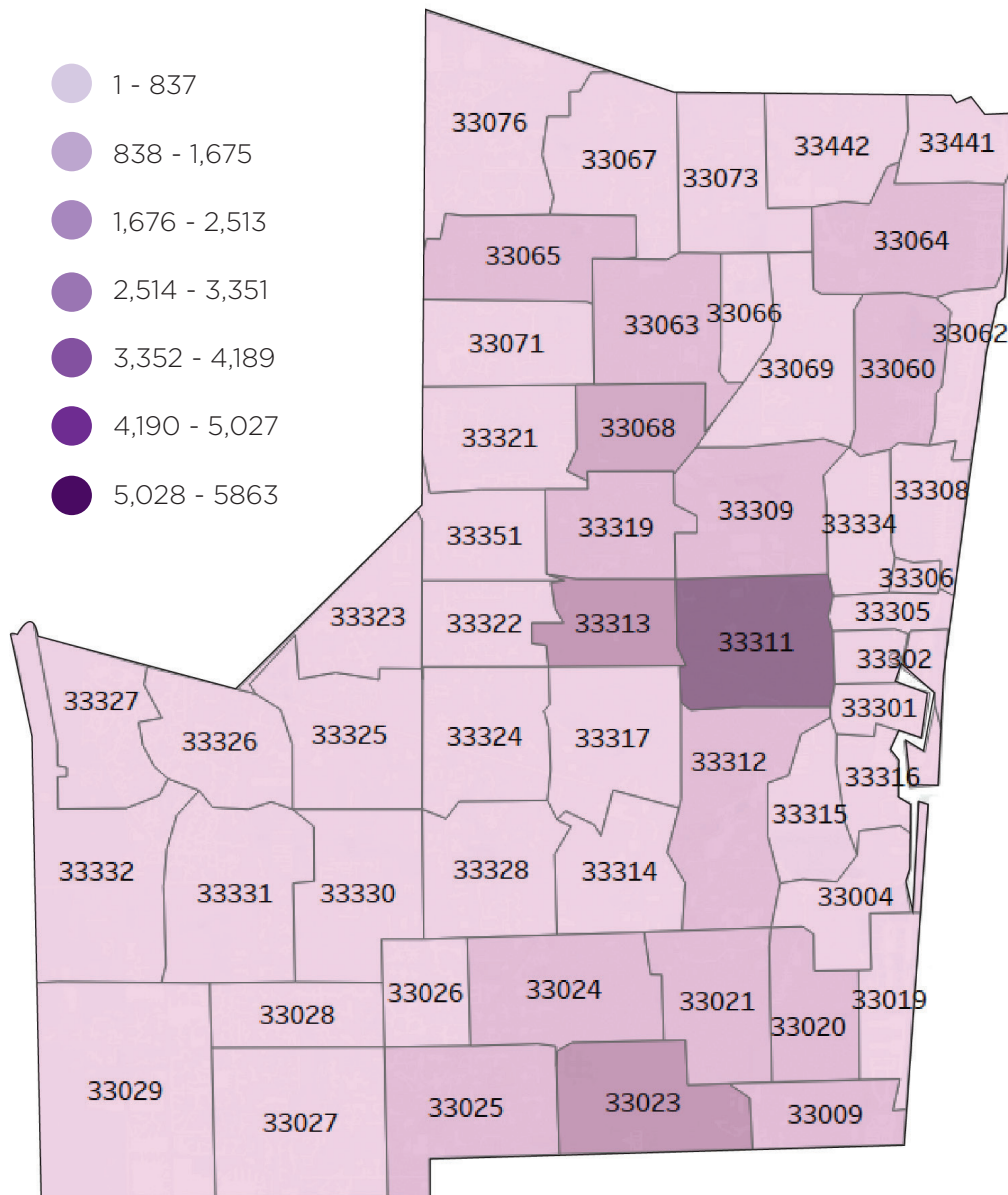
GENERAL FUND

REVENUES:	FY 2020/21 Actual	FY 2019/20 Actual
Property Taxes	\$ 98,310,585	\$93,181,490
Federal Grant Income	\$ 1,323,315	\$ 2,794,195
Local Foundations/ Miscellaneous	\$ 1,713,434	\$ 2,187,744
Total Revenues	\$101,347,334	\$98,163,429

EXPENDITURES:	FY 2020/21 Actual	FY 2019/20 Actual
Program Services/ Support	\$74,468,614	\$74,777,670
General Administration	\$ 3,402,059	\$ 3,329,626
Capital Outlay	\$ 123,836	\$ 142,214
Non-Operating Expenditures	\$ 3,241,298	\$ 3,518,995
Total Expenditures	\$81,235,807	\$81,768,505

WHERE WE INVEST

CHILDREN & FAMILIES SERVED BY CSC BY ZIP CODE



5,712 children and youth served through School Health Services funded by CSC are not represented on this map. Calls to 2-1-1 Special Needs and Behavioral hotlines are also not included in numbers served by Zip data.

OUR FUNDED AGENCIES & PROGRAMS

2-1-1 BROWARD

Bridge to Life; General Hotline; Special Needs & Behavioral Health Hotline

ARC BROWARD

Maximizing Out-of-School Time (MOST) Special Needs (SN); STEP; Family Strengthening

ADVOCACY NETWORK ON DISABILITIES

MOST GP; Family Strengthening

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS, INC.

MOST; MOST SN

ANN STORCK CENTER, INC.

MOST SN

BECOM TV

Public Awareness

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

MOST; Family Strengthening

BOYS TOWN SFL, INC.

Family Strengthening

BROWARD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COALITION

Trauma; Family Strengthening

BROWARD CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC.

MOST SN; Family Strengthening

BROWARD COUNTY

Drowning Prevention; MOST

BROWARD EDUCATION FOUNDATION

HTY-Match

BROWARD HEALTHY START COALITION

Safe Sleep

BROWARD REGIONAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

Healthy Families

BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE

New DAY

BROWARD YOUTH SHINE

Community & Legislative Outreach

CAMELOT COMMUNITY CENTERS

New DAY; Healthy Youth Transition (HYT)

CAREERSOURCE BROWARD

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

CENTER FOR HEARING & COMMUNICATION

STEP; Family Strengthening; Youth FORCE; MOST SN

CENTER FOR MIND-BODY MEDICINE

Trauma

CHILDREN'S BEREAVEMENT CENTER

Trauma

CHILDREN'S HARBOR

Family Strengthening

CHILDREN'S LITERACY INITIATIVE

Literacy

COMMUNITY ACCESS CENTER, INC.

Youth FORCE

COMMUNITY AFTER SCHOOL

MOST; Margate CRA

COMMUNITY BASED CONNECTIONS

Family Strengthening; PEACE; LEAP

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COLLABORATION

COVID Hunger

COMMUNITY RECONSTRUCTION HOUSING, INC.

Youth FORCE

CROCKETT FOUNDATION

Youth FORCE; Learning Together; Youth FORCE-DeLuca Foundation

DELIVER LEAN

COVID Hunger

EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF BROWARD COUNTY

Subsidized Childcare; Vulnerable Population Slots

FAMILY CENTRAL

Family Strengthening; Positive Behavior Support;

FIREWALL CENTERS, INC.

Youth FORCE; LEAP; Youth FORCE-DeLuca Foundation

FLIPANY

Hunger

FLITE - FORT LAUDERDALE INDEPENDENCE TRAINING & EDUCATION CENTER

HYT; (CWSYOP) Child Welfare System Youth Organizers Pilot

FLORIDA DEPT. OF HEALTH - BROWARD COUNTY

Drowning Prevention; KidCare Outreach

FOREVER FAMILY

Adoption Promotion

GULF COAST COMMUNITY CARE

Family Strengthening; HYT

HALLANDALE BEACH-CRA

MOST

HALLANDALE, CITY OF

MOST

HANDSON BROWARD

Volunteer Management; Grade Level Reading

HANDY

HYT; Youth FORCE

HANLEY FOUNDATION

Substance Abuse Prevention Training

HARMONY DEVELOPMENT CENTER, INC.

New DAY; Youth FORCE; Kinship Relative Care Support; PEACE; HYT

HARVEST DRIVE

Hunger Relief

HEALTHY MOTHERS, HEALTHY BABIES COALITION

Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress (MOMS)

HEART GALLERY OF BROWARD

Adoption Promotion

HENDERSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

New DAY; Family Strengthening; HYT; Support ECL to Expedite Permanency

HISPANIC UNITY OF FLORIDA

Youth FORCE; Earned Income Tax Credit; LEAP High; Family Strengthening

HOLLYWOOD BEACH-CRA

MOST

HOLLYWOOD, CITY OF

MOST

H.O.M.E.S. INC. - Housing Opportunities, Mortgage Assistance, and Effective Neighborhood Solutions, Inc.

HYT

HOPE SOUTH FLORIDA

Economic Self Sufficiency

JACK & JILL

Family Strengthening

JEWISH ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE OPTIONS, INC.

Family Strengthening; SN Case Management; Trauma; MOST SN

JULIANA GERENA & ASSOCIATES

Family Strengthening; New DAY

KIDVISION/WPBT

Early Childhood Education

KIDS IN DISTRESS, INC.

MOST; Kinship Support; Family Strengthening

LAUDERDALE LAKES, CITY OF

MOST

LEGAL AID SERVICES OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

Kinship; Legal Representation of Youth in Child Welfare System

MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

BREAK; New DAY; Family Strengthening; MOMS; Youth FORCE; HYT; Youth FORCE-DeLuca Foundation

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Kinship Support

MIRAMAR, CITY OF

MOST

M NETWORK

Public Awareness

MOTIVATIONAL EDGE

LEAP High

MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY & SCIENCE

HYT; LEAP

NEIGHBORS 4 NEIGHBORS

Public Awareness

NEW HOPE WORLD OUTREACH

MOST

NEW MIRAWOOD

MOST

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

A Day for Children

OPPORTUNITIES IND. CTR. (OIC) OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Youth FORCE

OUR CHILDREN, OUR FUTURE, INC.

Youth FORCE

PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS

New DAY; HYT; Family Strengthening

PEMBROKE PINES, CITY OF

MOST SN

READING AND MATH

Literacy

SIERRA LIFECARE, INC.

School Health; Coral Springs CRA

SMITH COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

MOST SN; BREAK; Youth FORCE; STEP; PEACE

SMITH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATES

Family Strengthening; New DAY

SOREF JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

MOST

SOUTH FLORIDA HEALTH FOUNDATION

COVID Hunger

SOUTH FLORIDA HUNGER COALITION

Mobile School Pantry; Summer BreakSpot

SUNSERVE

HYT

SUNSHINE AFTERSCHOOL CHILD CARE, INC.

MOST

UNITED COMMUNITY OPTIONS

MOST SN; STEP

UNITED WAY OF BROWARD COUNTY

Choose Peace Stop Violence; Economic Self Sufficiency

URBAN LEAGUE OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.

New DAY; MOST; Youth FORCE; HYT

WEST PARK, CITY OF

MOST; Youth FORCE

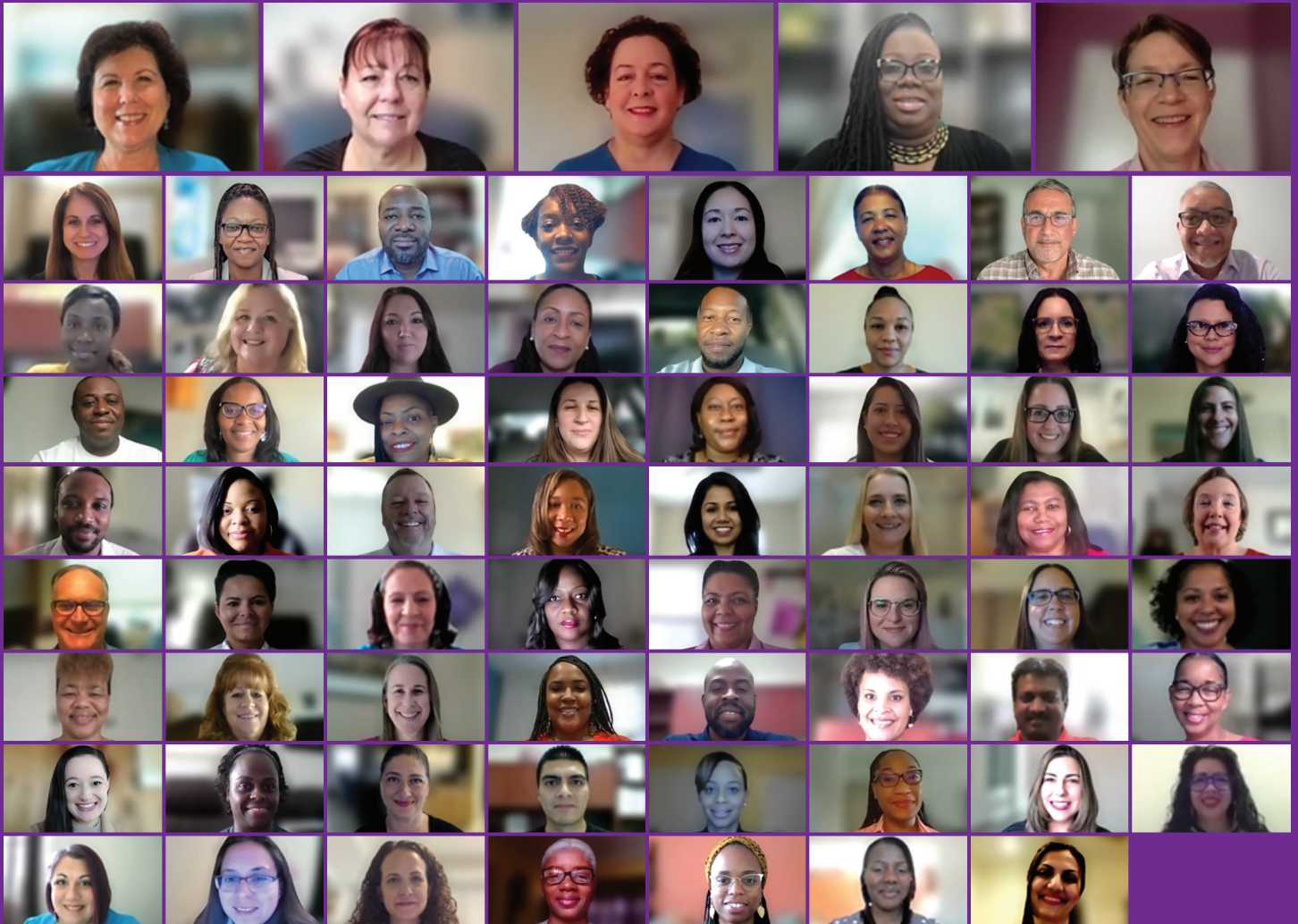
WYMAN CENTER

Youth FORCE; Training

YMCA OF BROWARD COUNTY

LEAP High; Youth FORCE; STEP; MOST and MOST SN; Deerfield CRA

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