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Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting





Tuesday May 12, 2015 10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

VISTA CENTER 2300 N JOG RD, SUITE 1E-60 **WEST PALM BEACH**

James is currently director of the Outreach and Community Programming division for the Palm Beach County Youth Services Department. The mission of YSD is to administer programs and initiatives of the Board of County Commissioners to ensure the healthy growth, development, education, and transition of children and youth to young adulthood and the workforce. James leads the Palm Beach County My Brother's Keeper initiative where he works closely with public, private and nonprofit entities to create educational and economic opportunity for boys and young men of color.

James is the former program director for the Palm Beach County Community Action Agency (CAA), a division of the Community Services Department. He earned a certification in the Community Action Partnership's Peer Review program which is based on the Malcolm Baldridge model and is one of six Certified Community Action Professionals (CCAP) in the state of Florida. He is a Nationally Certified ROMA (Results Oriented Management and Accountability) trainer, which is a complete management and accountability process based on principles derived from Peter Drucker and Reginald Carter.

James recently received the Florida Association for Community Action, Inc. (FACA) Agency of the Year Award on behalf of CAA for assisting the greatest number of families and individuals to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency within their communities in 2013-1014. This award also recognized local advocacy efforts, community participation, partnerships and collaborations formed by the agency to assist low-income citizens in their journey to economic security and self-sufficiency as well as the agency's efforts to achieve organizational excellence and represent the best practices within the network.

In 2011, Palm Beach County presented James with the Golden Palm Award for his role in increasing program efficiency and saving the county thousands of dollars by creating, developing and implementing an electronic payment system for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). In 2012, James graduated from Palm Beach County's internal leadership development program and now serves on the program's learning council.

James received his BA from Auburn University and his MS from Palm Beach Atlantic University. He is a devoted husband and father of two daughters. James is an active member of Omega Psi Phi, Fraternity, Inc. where he mentors over 20 African American boys in the Lamplighters Program. He has served as President for the Urban League Young Professionals of Palm Beach County and continues to be involved with various boards and civic groups throughout the community.

We look forward to seeing you and your neighbors!

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