



# Palm Beach County Youth Services Department 2016-2017 Annual Report



Palm Beach County  
Board of County Commissioners



*Youth from the Edna W. Runner Tutorial Center Summer Camp thank the Youth Services Department.*

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# Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners



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## Fulfilling Our Mission

The Youth Services Department's mission is to ensure the healthy growth, development, education, and transition of children and youth to young adulthood and the workforce.

# Letter from Our Director



It is with great pleasure and pride that we present the third annual report for the Palm Beach County Youth Services Department. When I review the accomplishments reported by our divisions, I know that we are making a difference in the lives of the many children and families we serve.

In the first year of the Youth Services Department, we focused most of our efforts toward integrating programs and establishing policies and procedures as a united department devoted to enhancing the lives of Palm Beach County children from cradle to career. We also established strong relationships with our community partners. Year two was devoted to working with these many community partners on the development of the youth master plan, "Strengthening the Steps to Success." This plan serves as a blueprint for setting priorities and taking action to improve the lives of youth. An

ongoing effort to engage community members at all levels, it builds on strengths, aligns on-going efforts and addresses gaps in services. This year, Youth Services fully moved into implementation mode.

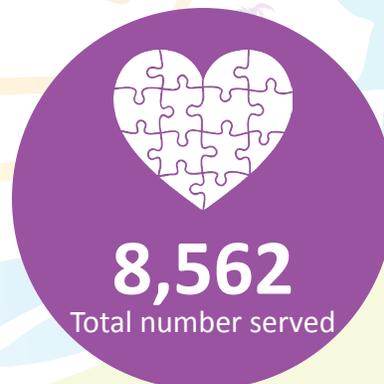
Our first Request for Proposals to Community Based Agencies was issued to solicit proposals for programs and services identified as priorities in the youth master plan. Comprehensive reporting and evaluation tools for these promising and evidenced based programs were also developed. We look forward to working with these newly funded agencies in fiscal year 2018.

Employment and career opportunities for youth and young adults remained a priority this year. We partnered with CareerSource Palm Beach County; Palm Beach County Environmental Resources Management Department, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties, Boys and Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, and the Youth Empowerment Centers in Riviera Beach, Lake Worth and Belle Glade to provide employment opportunities. Internally, we provided opportunities through our Summer Food Service Program and our professional internships in social work, mental health counseling and psychology.

Every member of the Youth Services Department staff is dedicated to the welfare of the children and families of Palm Beach County. I am very grateful for all the work they do each day.

Tammy K. Fields

*Palm Beach County Youth Services Department Director*



# Department Highlights

## Youth Engagement

### Countywide Youth Summit

The 2017 Palm Beach County Youth Summit was held April 22, at Palm Beach Lakes High School. The summit's theme was "Open Your Mind." Approximately 600 Palm Beach County youth were in attendance.

Racial Equity Institute Managing Director Deena Hayes-Greene was the event's keynote speaker. Topics discussed included career pathways, building healthy relationships and self-esteem, resiliency, cyberbullying, and gang and substance abuse prevention.



## Employment

### Green Futures Summer Internships

The Palm Beach County Environmental Resources Management Department (ERM), in collaboration with Youth Services, developed the Green Futures Internship/Mentoring Program. The paid internship/mentorship program lasted four weeks at 30 hours per week, and was offered to eight youth.

Interns assisted ERM staff in their daily assignments to preserve, protect and enhance Palm Beach County land and water resources. As a result, interns acquired knowledge, job skills and exposure to careers in environment resources management.



## Communications

### Redesigned Newsletter

Youth Services unveiled a new look for its quarterly newsletter, YSD Scoop! on May 2, 2017. The new design is fun, colorful and bright – just like our youth in Palm Beach County.

Issues will be distributed during the first weeks of February, May, August and November.

To view the latest edition of YSD Scoop!, please visit [www.pbcgov.com/youthservices](http://www.pbcgov.com/youthservices).



## Team Building

### Employee Retreat

Youth Services held a team building retreat Aug. 3, 2017, at the South County Civic Center. The retreat was led by Team Building Coach and Facilitator Nancy Heins, M.A.

Youth Services Staff were able to learn more about each other, the value each member has, and its impact on the team.



# Residential Treatment & Family Counseling Division



Fiscal year 2017 was a very challenging and exciting year for the Residential Treatment and Family Counseling (RTFC) Division. We continued to build upon our solid foundation of over thirty years and have been an integral part of the evolution of the Youth Services Department. Our diverse workforce and the high quality care we provide continue our tradition of being responsible to a very dynamic and culturally rich community.

We have broadened our ability to provide high quality educational experiences to the community with our Education and Training staff. The American Psychological Association has accredited our internship program, allowing us to attract an even more diverse internship pool from across the country. Our Youth and Family Counseling section continues to provide much needed support in schools having a greater need for professional counseling opportunities for their students. Our satellite sites keep us visible and accessible to the community. At our Highridge Family Center, we continue to infuse our residential program with trauma-informed training and philosophy. Utilizing current research and support from the Sanctuary Model, we will be on the

cutting edge of trauma-informed care.

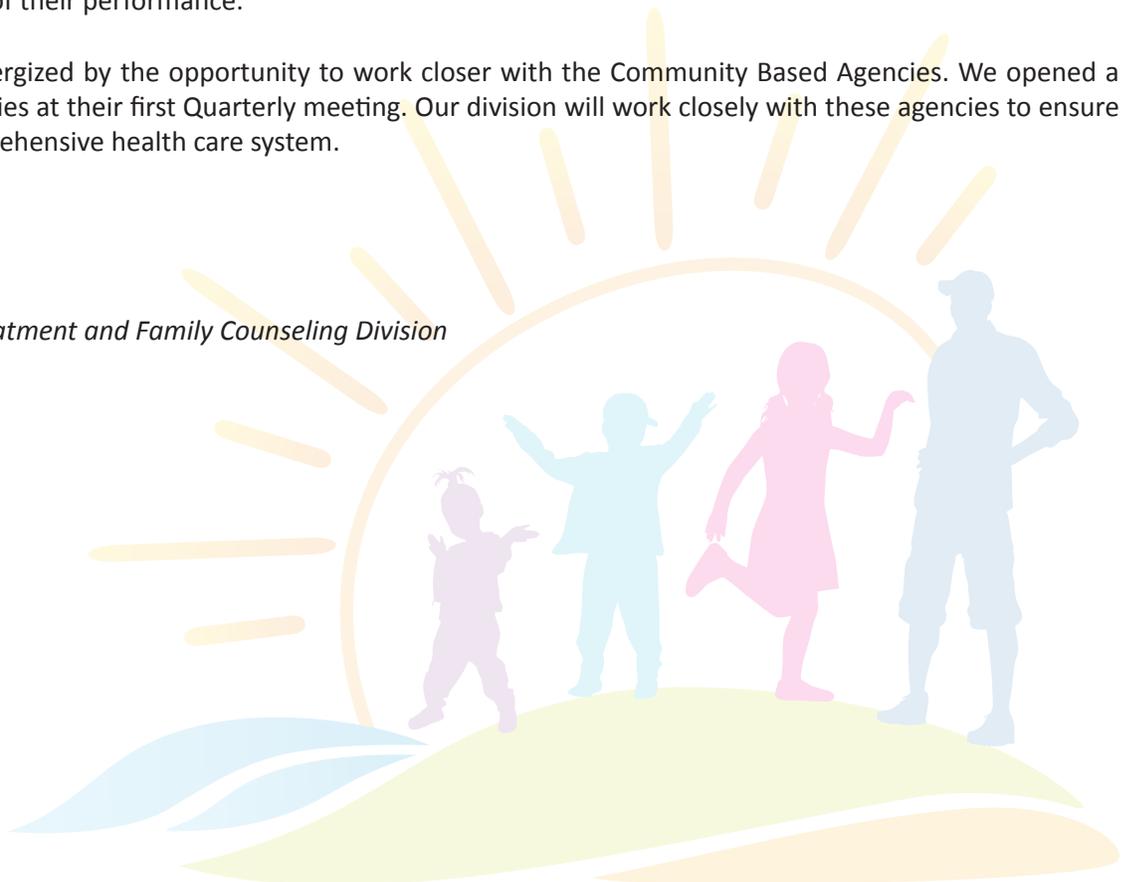
RTFC Division staff were honored to be involved with the provision of care to hundreds of County residents during Hurricane Irma. We were humbled by this experience, learning a great deal about compassion and gratitude. Division staff demonstrated selfless commitment in their solid work at the Emergency Operations Center and Special Needs Shelter. I could not be more proud of their performance.

Looking forward, I am energized by the opportunity to work closer with the Community Based Agencies. We opened a dialogue with these agencies at their first Quarterly meeting. Our division will work closely with these agencies to ensure a well-rounded and comprehensive health care system.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tony Spaniol

*Director of Residential Treatment and Family Counseling Division*



# Highridge Family Center

The Highridge Family Center offers a three-to-four month, weekday residential treatment program for Palm Beach County youth, ages 11-16, who are experiencing problems at home, school, with friends and in the community. Youth Services partners with the School District of Palm Beach County to provide school instruction on campus in a small classroom setting.

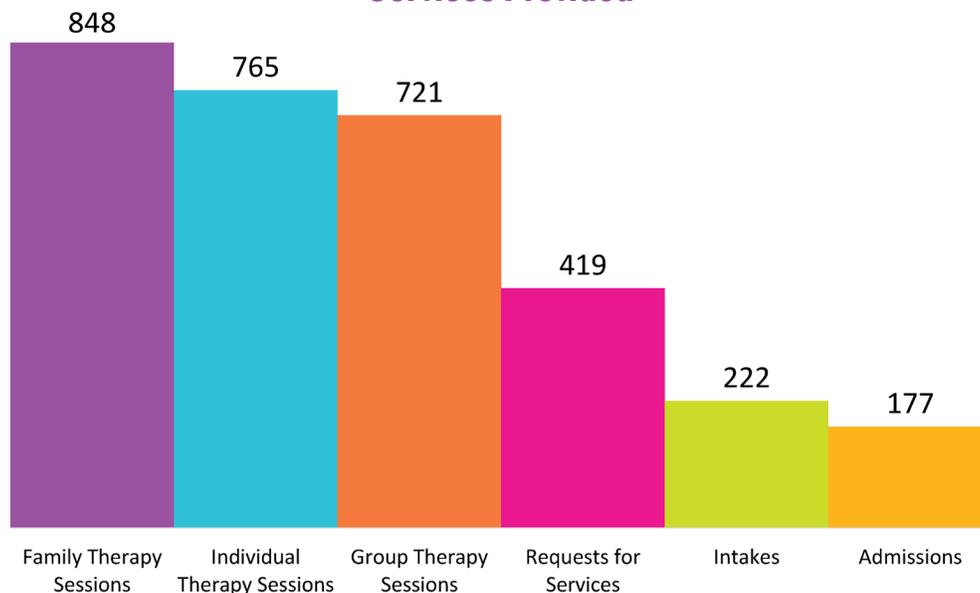


## Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS) Outcomes

The Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS) is designed to assess the degree of impairment in youth (ages 5-19) who have, or are at risk for emotional, behavioral, substance use, psychiatric, or psychological problems. The instrument assesses a youth's day-to-day functioning across critical life domains, including school/work, home, community, behavior towards others, moods/emotions, self-harm, substance use, and thinking, and determines whether a youth's functioning improves over time.

Percentage of youth who were identified initially as Pervasively Behaviorally Impaired (which means a score of moderate or severely impaired on home, school, and community subscales) who improved with treatment and scored either mild or no impairment at the end of treatment	<b>87%</b>
Percentage of all youth who showed improvement at least 1 out of 3 outcome indicators	<b>86%</b>
Percentage of all youth who showed an improvement of 20 points or greater	<b>84%</b>
Percentage of youth with severe impairments at the start of treatment who showed improvement by the end of the treatment	<b>81%</b>

## Services Provided



# Education & Training Center

The Education and Training Center is a community resource for primary prevention through education, training, and professional development. It provides free services to parents, children, families, school personnel, and mental health professionals in Palm Beach County. Family, individual, and group therapy services are offered, in addition to psychological evaluations. The Education and Training Center is responsible for developing and implementing trainings, workshops, and community outreach activities. It also serves as a student/trainee placement site for doctoral interns, postdoctoral residents, and doctoral/master's level practicum students.

## Doctoral Internship Program Receives APA Accreditation

The Youth Services Department's RTFC\_Division's Doctoral Internship Program received full accreditation from the American Psychological Association (APA) for seven years, the maximum period granted.

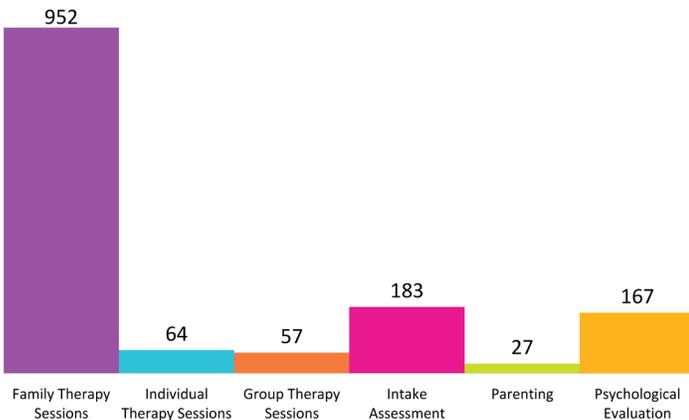
This process spanned two years and included a self-study, a two-day site visit and interviews. The program's first class of interns graduated Aug. 3, 2017.



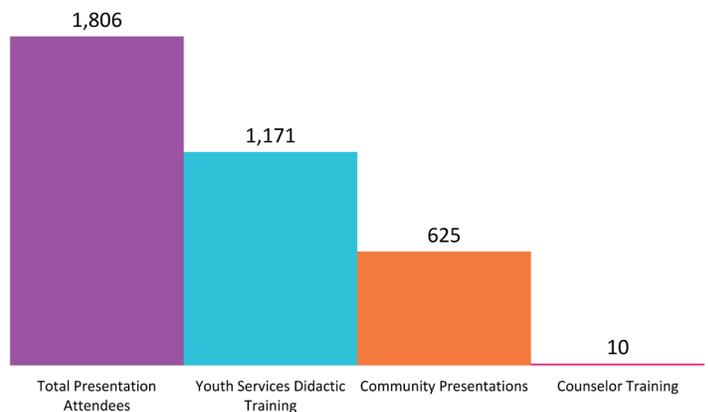
## Didactic Trainings

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attachment Babies</li> <li>Building Resiliency Against Community Violence</li> <li>Collateral Damage: The Impact of Community Violence</li> <li>Colorism</li> <li>Corporal Punishment</li> <li>DCF Reporting</li> <li>Developmental Sexuality</li> <li>Empowering Young Girls: Social Scripts and Treatment Models</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ethics: Maintaining Professional Boundaries</li> <li>Family Therapy: Strategic Models of Care</li> <li>Food and Mood</li> <li>Foundations in Clinical Supervision</li> <li>Immigration Law 101</li> <li>LGB Identity Development, Intervention, and Treatment</li> <li>Modern Day Slavery: Trafficking of Our Youth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motivational Interviewing</li> <li>Moving the Margins – LGBTQ</li> <li>Multicultural Assessment</li> <li>Paper Tigers</li> <li>Program Evaluation</li> <li>Psychotherapy &amp; Disabilities</li> <li>Resilience: The Biology of Stress &amp; the Stress of Hope – Documentary &amp; Panel Discussion</li> <li>Safe Kids: Internet Parenting Skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sanctuary Training Models</li> <li>Self-Injury: Coping with Pain</li> <li>Sexual Assault</li> <li>Suicidality</li> <li>Systems Collaboration/ Multidisciplinary Consultation</li> <li>Toxic Parenting</li> <li>When Compassion Causes Fatigue</li> <li>Working with the Victims of Domestic Violence</li> </ul>
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## Direct Service Hours



## Numbers Served at Trainings & Presentations



# Youth & Family Counseling

Youth & Family Counseling (YFC) is a three-month community based program that provides family therapy, individual therapy, group therapy, psycho-educational school based groups, and on site school based services for families with children and youth up to 22 years of age. Additionally, YFC provides parent education classes based on S.T.E.P. (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) and community presentations. YFC collaborates with community agencies such as the School District of Palm Beach County and the 15th Judicial Circuit Courts.



## Community Education and Engagement

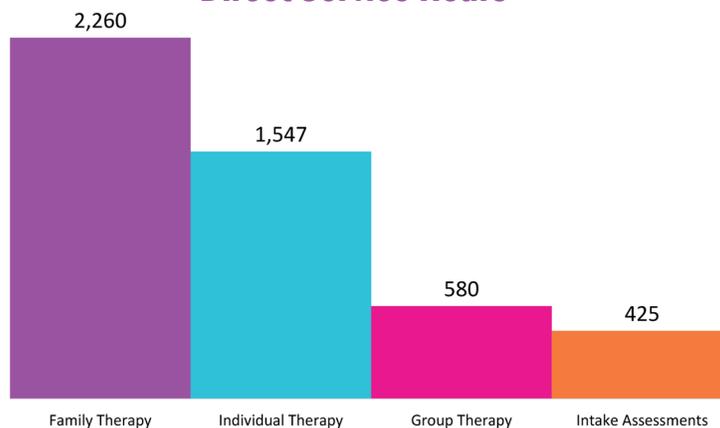
YFC remained fully dedicated to engaging and educating the community, with the goal of ensuring the success and wellbeing of youth in Palm Beach County. YFC participated in 28 total community events in Belle Glade, Boca Raton, Delray Beach, Jupiter, Pahokee and West Palm Beach.

YFC staff were trained in Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) Dec. 15, 2016. YFC also provided eight YMHFA Trainings throughout the County.



YFC provided onsite school-based services to **414** students at **23** Palm Beach County District schools (elementary, middle and high)

## Direct Service Hours



## Family Violence Intervention Program

The Family Violence Intervention Program (FVIP) joined the Youth Services Department RTFC Division under Youth & Family Counseling on Oct. 1, 2016.

FVIP is a court diversion program for first time juvenile offenders who have been charged with a domestic violence offense. Cases are only accepted upon referral from the State Attorney's Office.

During fiscal year 2017, FVIP served 136 clients and successfully graduated/diverted 92 clients from the Juvenile Justice System (Completion rate of 68%).

# Outreach & Community Programming Division



This year, the Outreach and Community Programming (OCP) Division has done an incredible job expanding our outreach, strengthening programs and increasing access to services. This was accomplished by assessing the community needs, filling the gaps through targeted efforts, monitoring programs and measuring outcomes.

We have increased the number of summer camp scholarships and expanded the program to include youth who have touched the delinquency system, their siblings and children with special needs. Our feeding efforts expanded to include the Summer Feeding Scholarship Program as well as a weekend backpack program, ensuring that these children receive nutritious meals for an entire week. A SPIKE event was held to inform the community on summer feeding sites, and geographic areas not previously served were included in the program.

Through our strategic planning and partnerships, OCP employed 101 youth. We worked with community-based agencies to increase academic gains, increase pro-social behaviors, develop leadership skills and promote health and wellness.

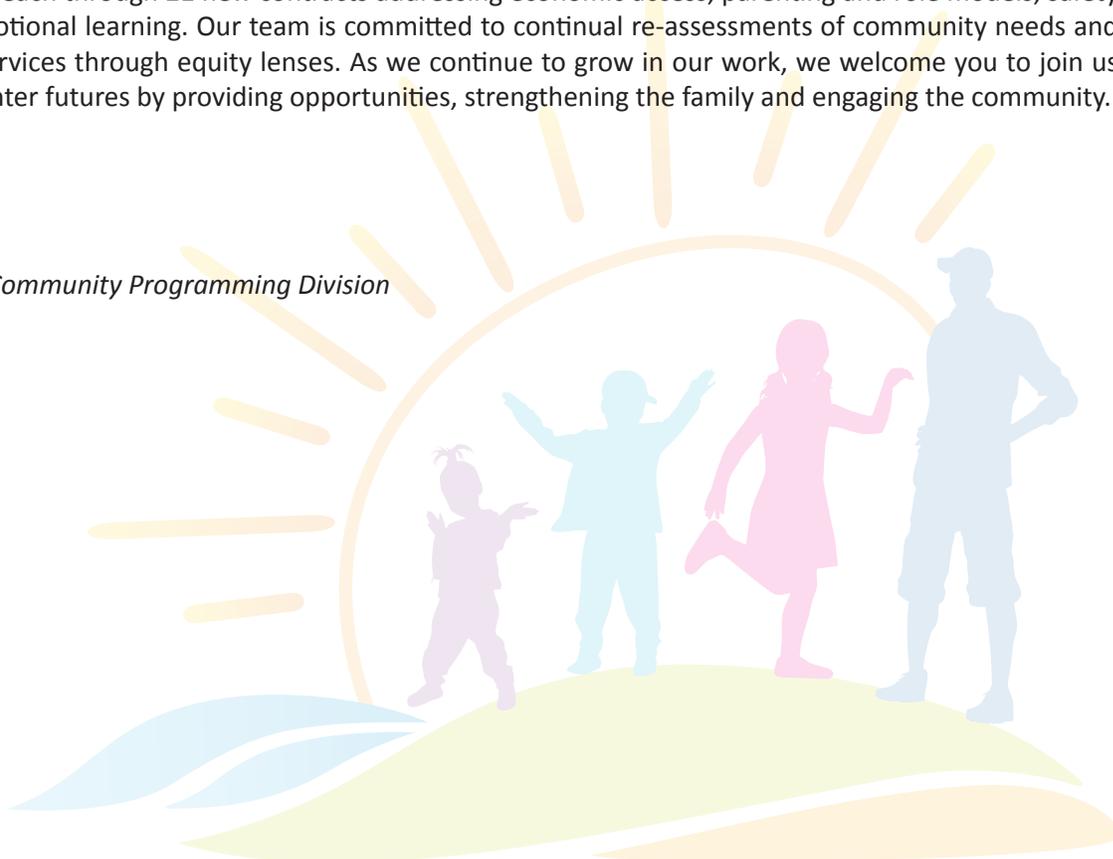
The OCP staff has been active in the community in its alliance with Birth to 22. We have been involved in educating the community on cultural sensitivity, leadership building and mentoring. OCP has expanded its use of GIS as a tool to achieve our mission. OCP presented at a GIS conference the significant role this technology plays in identifying gaps and allocation of resources within the community.

FY 2018 will see more outreach through 21 new contracts addressing economic access, parenting and role models, safety and justice, and social emotional learning. Our team is committed to continual re-assessments of community needs and the provision of quality services through equity lenses. As we continue to grow in our work, we welcome you to join us in our efforts to grow brighter futures by providing opportunities, strengthening the family and engaging the community.

Sincerely,

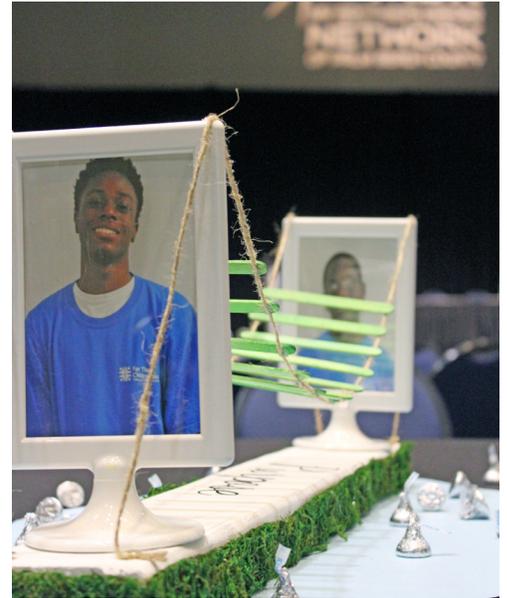
Geeta Loach-Jacobson

*Director of Outreach and Community Programming Division*



# My Brother's Keeper Network of Palm Beach County

The My Brother's Keeper Network is a coalition of public and private entities that work together to improve life outcomes for boys and young men of color through internal agency policy review, education and employment opportunities.



## My Brother's Keeper Network of Palm Beach County Race to Equity Summit

The My Brother's Keeper Network of Palm Beach County (MBK) held its Race to Equity Summit Feb. 8-9, 2017, at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. "Bridging the Opportunity Gap for Boys and Young Men of Color" was the theme.

Over 400 guests, including 120 students representing 12 middle and high schools across the County were in attendance.

To view video recordings of the summit, please visit [mbkpsc.net](http://mbkpsc.net).



*"The quality of the keynote speakers, panelists, and presentations, the relevance of the materials distributed, and the organization of the activities were reflective of the outstanding team effort that contributed to the success of this event ... I left with a new hope and new determination to continue to do what I can for the betterment of our community on behalf of our children."*

-Dr. Mary Ann DuPont

2016: 136 Partnerships

2017: 150 Partnerships



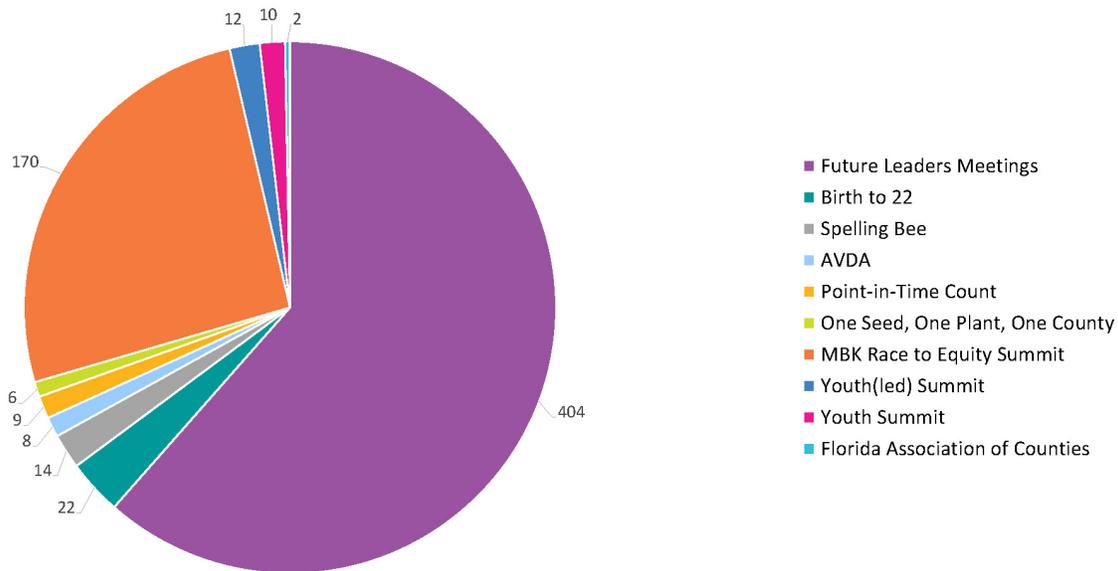
**10%**  
Increase in Partnerships

# Future Leaders United for Change

Future Leaders United for Change is the voice for the youth of Palm Beach County creating leaders through self-motivation, determination and education. The youth provide input on the design, implementation and communication of an ongoing strategic plan for future community conversations, focus group discussions, interviews, surveys and youth summits. The group is one of the outcome that arose from Palm Beach County's Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures.



## Community Engagement Hours



Future Leaders provided input for the Youth Homeless Demonstration Program grant submittal, as well as helped create a vision for what would welcome and sustain a homeless service facility.

Future Leaders volunteered in the 2017 Point-in-Time Count, a survey of homeless individuals conducted during a 24-hour period on Jan. 26-27, 2017. The participation of the team was especially significant and helped identify 141 homeless youth.

The group also assisted with packing 502 weekend backpacks of food for homeless youth at the Not One Hungry Homeless Student Weekend Backpacking event June 28.



## Youth Empowerment Centers

The Youth Services Department co-funds three Youth Empowerment Centers (YECs) located in Belle Glade, Lake Worth and Riviera Beach. The centers offer services focused on the prevention of youth violence; youth empowerment; promoting education, health, and leadership within the community.



### Promoting Education: College Tours

During Spring Break 2017, the Belle Glade and Riviera Beach YECs coordinated a six-day college tour experience. Eighteen students participated and traveled across multiple states to visit six Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Students visited Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University, Fisk University, Tennessee State University, West Virginia State University, University of the District of Columbia, and Howard University.



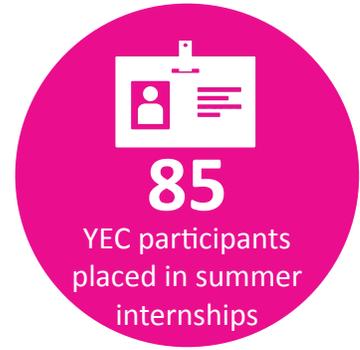
### Promoting Career Enhancement: Summer Internships

The YECs received additional funds from Youth Services to offer summer employment opportunities for youth. The 85 students were offered summer internship positions in the City of Belle Glade, City of Lake Worth Community Gymnasium, Palm Beach Tech, Osborne School, Early Childhood Academy, E-Roadmap, For the Children, Inc., City of Riviera Beach, as well as other local restaurants, stores and businesses.

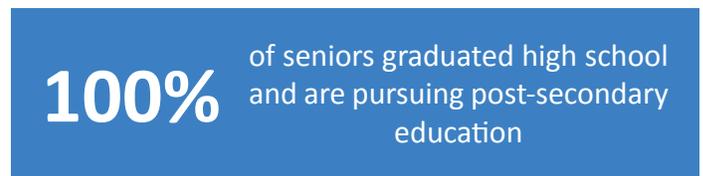
*“My overall experience as an IT Intern was amazing. Shadowing my intern supervisor has not only given the skills I need to work effectively in this field but they also displayed other characteristics such as professionalism, hardworking, and respectfulness that I can take with me to apply to my everyday life.”*

*-Ruth Dorce*

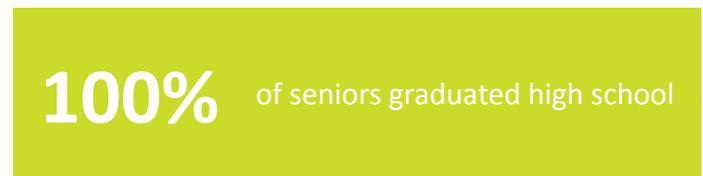
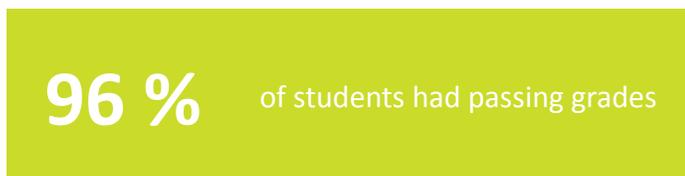
## YEC Outcomes



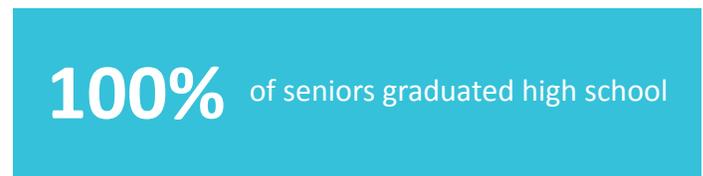
### → Lake Worth YEC



### → Riviera Beach YEC



### → Belle Glade YEC



## Empowering Youth

Youth engage in activities that foster empowerment:

- Healthy Debate
- Girls' Talk/Mens' Talk
- Group & One-on-One Mentoring
- Financial Literacy
- Life Skills Workshops
- Dance Classes
- Arts/Lake Worth Street Painting Festival
- Talent Competitions
- Field Trips
- Position of Leadership
  - Teen Advisory Council
  - Future Leaders United for Change

Other Education enhancements:

- Individual Tutoring
- Homework Assistance
- Group ACT/SAT Strategies Classes and Boot-Camp
- Virtual Learning Tutorial (i.e., Virtual Classes, E20/20)
- College-Bound Success Classes and College Readiness
- Black Male Explorer's Summer Education Remediation Program
- In/Out of State College Tours
- Adult Basic Education/GED Classes
- Art/Culture Classes

# Summer Camp Scholarship Program

The Summer Camp Scholarship Program provides full-tuition and fees for summer camp for children residing in families with income at or below 150% of Federal Poverty Guidelines. It allows parents to work with the knowledge that their children are safe. It gives children educational and recreational opportunities for growth. Parents may choose from participating camps in Palm Beach County.



## 3rd Annual Super Summer Spelling Bee

Youth Services hosted the third annual Super Summer Spelling Bee on July 20, 2017, at the Club Managers Association of America Therapeutic Recreation Complex.

More than 170 students in the Summer Camp Scholarship and Summer Food Service Programs participated. The spelling bee provides academic activities to encourage the spirit of learning, while preventing summer slide.

### Outcomes

**65%** of students attending school readiness camps increased their academic scores

**21%** increase in camp locations

**42%** increase in number of applications

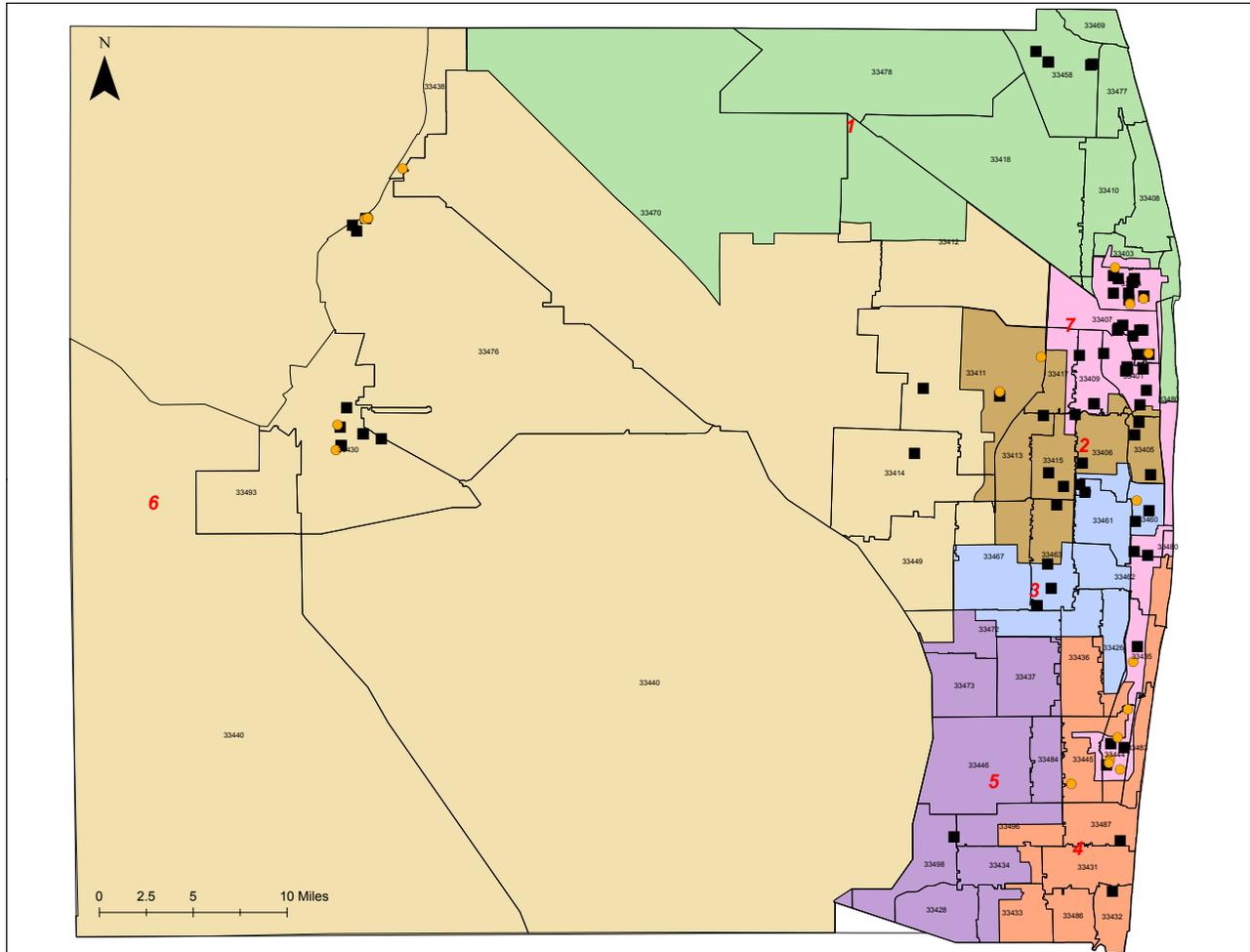
**56%** increase in approved applications

*"Thank you so much for working so hard to make sure my grandchildren would have the greatest summer ever. This is their first experience with summer camp and they can't get to camp fast enough and never want the day to end."*

*-Sylvia Fox and Corvil Family*



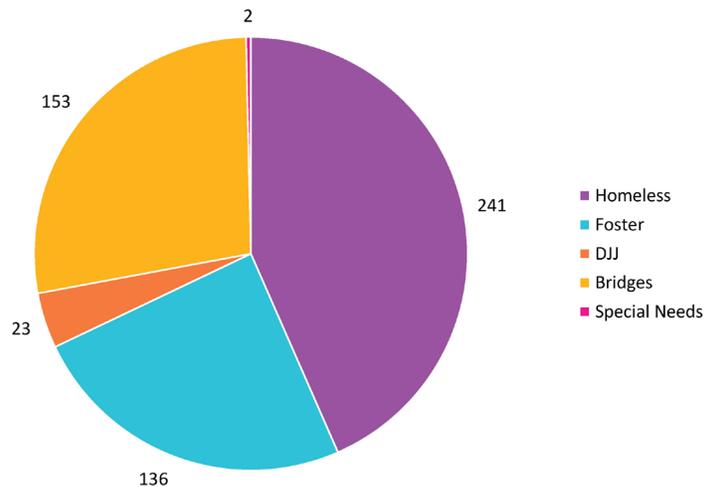
# Summer Camp Scholarship Program Camp Sites



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- SUMMER CAMP SCHOOL READINESS
- REGULAR SUMMER CAMP SITE

## Number of Special Population Camps



## Community Based Agencies (CBAs)

Community Based Agencies (CBAs) are organizations that receive funding from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners through its Youth Services Department. The Outreach and Community Programming Division monitors funded organizations for strict program compliance and service integrity.



Award ceremony for youth enrolled in the Youth Leadership Development Program at ASPIRA. These youth met or exceeded projected outcomes during fiscal year 2017. Forty-one middle school students attended the ASPIRA award ceremony May 26, 2017.



Graduation Ceremony for the youth who completed the From Black Boy to Black Man Program at the Urban League of Palm Beach County based on an original curriculum specially designed for black males to strengthen resiliency through impactful mentoring, improving behavior and fostering the acquisition of leadership skills.

*“I recently completed two components of a mentorship program with The Urban League of Palm Beach County and your office. First, I’d like to thank both of you for your roles in making this opportunity and this program available. The opportunity to work with our youth and make a positive difference in their lives is one that I value very much.”*

*-Steve White*

## Funding Allocations

Agency - Program	Amount Expended
ASPIRA of Florida, Inc. - Violence Prevention & Leadership	\$128,750.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties - Summer School to Work Program	\$42,265.00
Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County - Summer Career Bound Program	\$230,035.57
CareerSource of Palm Beach County - Summer Job Skills & Internship Program	\$49,000.00
Children's Home Society of Florida - Adoption Assistance Program	\$26,152.00
City of Pahokee - Fresh Start Program	\$133,481.40
Communities in Schools of Palm Beach County - Charting for Success	\$102,368.68
Gulfstream Goodwill Industries - Alternatives to Secure Detention	\$94,379.00
Prime Time - Quality Improvement & Summer Program	\$193,464.00
United Way of Palm Beach County - Mentoring Support Opportunity	\$23,400.00
Urban League of Palm Beach County - Summer Mentoring Program	\$79,930.00
Urban Youth Impact - Leadership Academy	\$86,674.00
<b>Total Amount Expended</b>	<b>\$1,189,899.65</b>

# Program Outcome Results

## Funded CBA Programs\*

<p><b>Communities in Schools of Palm Beach County</b></p>	<p><b>Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties</b></p>	<p><b>Boys &amp; Girls Club of Palm Beach County</b></p>
<p><b>Charting for Success Program</b> 100% of students demonstrated improvement in student academics and were promoted to high school with guidance from an academic coach.</p>	<p><b>School to Work Program</b> 100% of youth demonstrated increased employability and work readiness skills, as well as knowledge of postsecondary school options.</p>	<p><b>Career Bound Program</b> 93% increased knowledge of careers and educational paths, as well as gained interpersonal competencies that enhanced job readiness and employability.</p>
<p><b>CareerSource Palm Beach County</b></p>	<p><b>Children's Home Society of Florida</b></p>	<p><b>City of Pahokee</b></p>
<p><b>Summer Hospitality Training Program</b> 100% increased their soft skills and work readiness. 100% earned Microsoft Office Specialist certifications. 100% completed summer internships.</p>	<p><b>Adoption Assistance Program</b> 90% of children in foster care placed for adoption had their adoption finalized within 12 months.</p>	<p><b>Fresh Start Program</b> 91% increased academic performance.</p>
<p><b>Prime Time Palm Beach County</b></p>	<p><b>ASPIRA of Florida, Inc.</b></p>	<p><b>Gulfstream Goodwill Industries</b></p>
<p><b>Afterschool programs for middle and high school youth</b> <b>Expanded Learning Opportunities for Summer Camp Children</b></p>	<p><b>ASPIRA Violence Prevention and Leadership Program</b> 84% increased academic achievement and knowledge of violence prevention skills.</p>	<p><b>Alternatives to Secure Detention</b> 80% of youth who accessed the program successfully exited the program.</p>
<p><b>United Way of Palm Beach County</b></p>	<p><b>Urban League of Palm Beach County</b></p>	<p><b>Urban Youth Impact</b></p>
<p><b>Mentoring Support Opportunity</b></p>	<p><b>Black Boy to Black Man Program</b> 72% increased their knowledge on ways to avoid situations that lead to criminal behavior.</p>	<p><b>The Leadership Academy After School Program</b> 87% of youth reading below grade level showed continuous improvement in Lexile reading scores.</p>

## Numbers Served

Agency - Program	Total # Served
ASPIRA of Florida, Inc. - Violence Prevention & Leadership	81
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties - Summer School to Work Program	20
Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County - Summer Career Bound Program	95
CareerSource of Palm Beach County - Summer Job Skills & Internship Program	34
Children's Home Society of Florida - Adoption Assistance Program	**
City of Pahokee - Fresh Start Program	35
Communities in Schools of Palm Beach County - Charting for Success	68
Gulfstream Goodwill Industries - Alternatives to Secure Detention	30
Prime Time - Quality Improvement & Summer Program	**
United Way of Palm Beach County - Mentoring Support Opportunity	215
Urban League of Palm Beach County - Summer Mentoring Program	61
Urban Youth Impact - Leadership Academy	30
<b>Total Number Served</b>	<b>669</b>

\* Funded CBA Programs chart is not representative of all measures.

\*\* Prime Time did not deliver direct services to youth, but provided Quality Improvement support to 17 Out-of-School Time programs that served middle school youth in Palm Beach County. Demographic breakdowns for Children's Home Society are not included in the graph. The number served is a cumulative goal that runs on the state's fiscal year.

# Summer Food Service Program

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) provides meals and snacks to children during the summer months (June-August). The Palm Beach County Youth Services Department administers and monitors this program, funded by the USDA and the Department of Education.



## SFSP Monitors

SFSP Monitors began May 15, 2017. The ten monitors were college students brought on board to service and monitor all of the SFSP sites throughout the County. The monitors attended Florida Atlantic University, Florida State University, Palm Beach State College, Bethune-Cookman University, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, Nova Southeastern University, and University of Central Florida.

*“St. Mary’s Coptic Orthodox Church would like to thank the Palm Beach County Youth Services Department for this wonderful program. It was a pleasure working with PBC Youth Services. Everyone from PBC Youth Services was very friendly, supportive, and accommodating. The Delivery service was also excellent and on-time. St. Mary’s Camp children and parents were very appreciative of the meals.”*

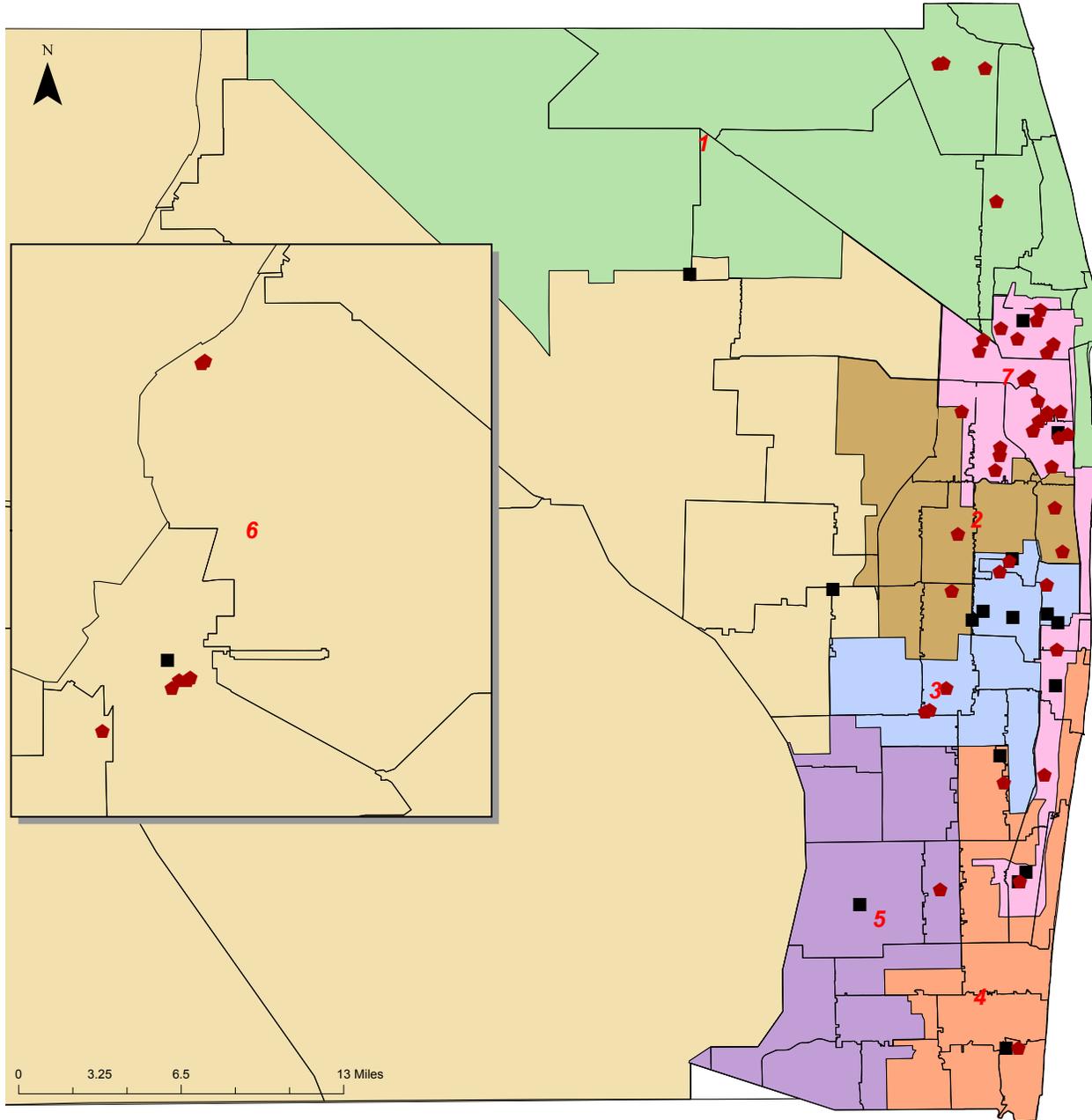
*-Mervat Mansour*



All 7 districts were represented



# Summer Food Service Program Sites



- Hal R. Valeche, District 1
- Paulette Burdick, District 2
- Dave Kerner, District 3
- Steven L. Abrams, District 4
- Mary Lou Berger, District 5
- Melissa McKinlay, District 6
- Mack Bernard, District 7

**NEW SUMMER FOOD SITES**

- 20, EMPOWERMENT RESOURCE CENTER
- 25, GUARDIANS ANGELS AFTER-CARE
- 32, LIVING WORD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
- 33, M+S COMMUNITY STARS
- 34, MISSION EGLISE EVANGELIQUE DE LA BIBLE
- 35, MORIJA
- 36, MOUNT OLIVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- 41, PALM SPRINGS SDA CHURCH
- 43, PLANET KIDS
- 50, RIVIERA BEACH YOUTH EMPOWERMENT
- 57, ST. MARY COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH
- 59, SUMMER YOUTH ARTS PROGRAM @PBSC
- 61, THE APPLSEED PRESCHOOL
- 62, THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD
- 66, THE GUATEMALAN MAYA CENTER
- 68, THE SALVATION ARMY
- 7, BRIGHT HORIZONS AT WELLINGTON

- REGULAR SUMMER FOOD SITES**
- 1, ACTS OF KINDNESS SUMMER CAMP
  - 10, CITY OF GREENACRES
  - 11, CITY OF SOUTH BAY (TANNER PARK)
  - 12, CLIPPER COVE APARTMENTS

- 13, COLEMAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
- 14, CONCERNED MOTHERS
- 15, CREATIVE MINDS ACADEMY
- 16, CROS MINISTRIES-BOYNTON BEACH
- 17, CROS MINISTRIES-LAKE WORTH
- 18, EDUCATIONAL IMAGERY MINISTRIES
- 19, EL SOL
- 21, FIRST SDA CHURCH OF RIVIERA
- 22, GAINES PARK
- 26, HOWARD PARK
- 27, JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT
- 28, KLEVER KIDS ACADEMY
- 29, LAKE SHORE CIVIC CENTER
- 3, BELLE GLADE LIFE CENTER
- 30, LIL KINGS & QUEENS ACADEMY INC
- 31, LITTLE ANGELS LEARNING CENTER II (THE YOUTH SPOT)
- 37, MOUNT ZION A.M.E.
- 39, OSBOURNE COMMUNITY CENTER
- 4, BETHEL EVANGELICAL BAPTIST CHURCH
- 40, PAHOKEE DELIVERANCE CHRISTIAN CENTER
- 44, PLEASANT CITY
- 49, RIVIERA BEACH PREPARATORY AND ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY
- 5, BOCA RATON HOUSING AUTHORITY

- 52, SEAGULL ACADEMY FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
- 53, SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH'S
- 55, SOUTH OLIVE COMMUNITY CENTER
- 58, ST. PAUL'S MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- 60, SUNCOAST CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
- 63, THE DUO CENTER
- 67, THE GYMNASTICS REVOLUTION
- 69, THE SALVATION ARMY NWCC
- 70, THE SALVATION ARMY WEST PALM BEACH CORPS
- 71, TLC ACADEMY
- 72, TOTALLY KIDZ LEARNING & ENRICHMENT CENTER
- 73, UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF GOD
- 74, UNITED OVERCOMER CHURCH OF GOD
- 76, URBAN YOUTH IMPACT
- 77, VICKERS HOUSE SOUTH
- 78, VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS PARKS & RECREATION
- 79, WEST BOYNTON PARK AND RECREATION CENTER TEEN
- 8, CABANA COLONY YOUTH CENTER
- 80, WEST BOYNTON PARK AND RECREATION CENTER YOUTH
- 81, WEST JUPITER RECREATION CENTER
- 82, WESTGATE RECREATION CENTER
- 83, YMCA OF THE PALM BEACHES
- 9, CITY OF BELLE GLADE YOUTH EMPOWERMENT CENTER

# Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures

Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures is a collaborative of community leaders coming together to work toward one goal: supporting the healthy growth, development and education of Palm Beach County children and youth prenatal through young adulthood so that they can graduate from high school and succeed in life.

## Trauma Talks: Palm Beach County Mobilizes for Action

The Youth Services Department hosted Trauma Talks: Palm Beach County Mobilized for Action on Nov. 3, 2016, at the West Palm Beach Marriott.

Trauma Talks is a County-wide commitment to engage everyone in our community toward a common goal of becoming more trauma-informed. Youth Services along with other County agencies joined together to understand trauma, identify resources and develop strategies to address trauma.



## Achieve Palm Beach County Launch

Birth to 22 launched Achieve Palm Beach County, a local college access network under United Way Palm Beach County, in December 2016.

At its kick-off event, almost 150 community leaders attended constituting the county's philanthropic, business, educational and governmental segments. Achieve Palm Beach County's mission is to collectively ensure an integrated and effective system of supports from middle school through post-secondary that empowers students for career success.



## Dual Status Youth Training Summit

Local officials working with dual status youth participated in an innovative training sponsored by the Robert F. Kennedy National Resource Center for Juvenile Justice March 21-22, 2017, at the Clayton E. Hutcheson Agricultural Services Center.

Palm Beach County was selected as one of six jurisdictions in the United States (and the only jurisdiction in Florida) to be awarded this training based on an application submitted by the Palm Beach County Youth Services Department.



# Birth to 22

## Ready by 21 National Meeting



The Ready by 21 National Meeting united leaders from across the nation, who are working on helping youth to be ready by 21 for college, work and life. The 2017 meeting was held in Austin, Texas, from March 29-31.

Youth Services Director Tammy Fields was joined by Marsha Guthrie, Children's Services Council (CSC) Community Planning & Partnerships officer. Tammy presented on "Forging an Equity Agenda" and "Master Plans: Is the Juice Worth the Squeeze?," which highlighted the benefits of developing a youth master plan to guide local planning.

Palm Beach County will be the host location for the 2018 7th Annual Ready by 21 National Meeting, from April 18-20.



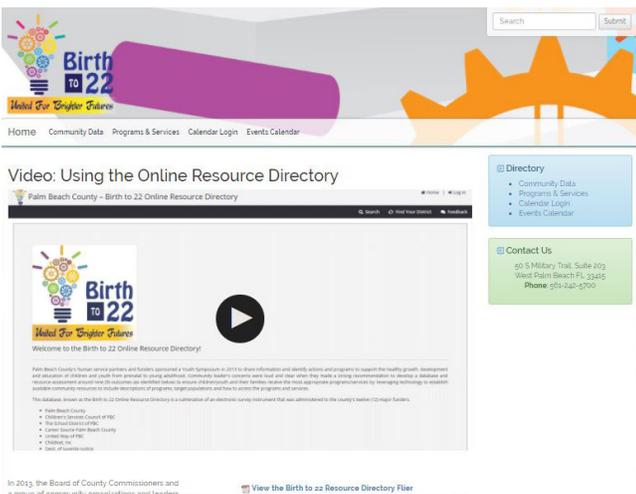
## Youth Services Assists School District & Prime Time in Securing Wallace Grant

Youth Services assisted the School District of Palm Beach County and Prime Time Palm Beach County in securing a four year grant from the Wallace Foundation.



The first year of funding will be between \$1 million and \$1.5 million, shared by Prime Time and the School District. These funds will be used to support children in developing positive social and emotional skills, such as self-control, persistence, teamwork and goal-setting. These attributes are linked to success in school, career and life.

## Launch of the Online Resource Directory



The Birth to 22 Online Resource Directory was launched July 2017. The resource directory shares information and identifies actions and programs around the nine Birth to 22 outcomes to support the healthy growth, development and education of children and youth from prenatal to young adulthood. The directory enables professionals to easily access Palm Beach County programs and services with descriptions of programs, identified target populations and directions to access the programs and services.

For more information and to view the directory, please visit <http://pbcbirthto22.com/>.

# Finance, Contracting & Administrative Services Division

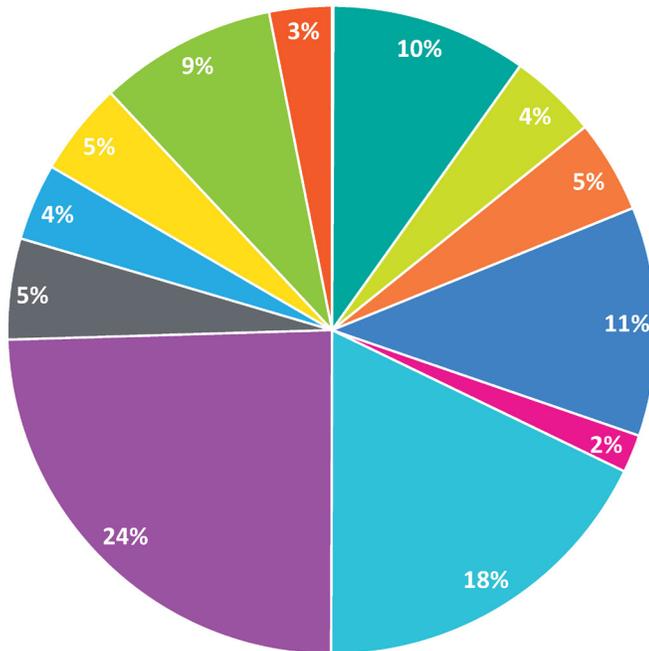


As fiscal year 2017 had come to a close, and I thought about the challenges and successes we experienced over the year, I was once again overwhelmed, yet humbled, at all of the progress the Department has made with the support of the Finance, Contracting & Administrative Services Division (FCA).

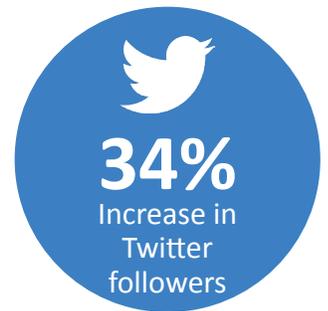
The Division remains committed to providing centralized services to assist the many Youth Services programs. Budget and Performance data were submitted timely. In April, FCA coordinated to issuance of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Community Based Agencies (CBAs), resulting in 21 new evidence-based/promising programs to be funded in fiscal year 2018.

With the addition of a communications specialist to FCA, the Department has increased followers on social media and is very excited to have created a Brand Identity Guide linking the Department logo, color schemes and overall brand to streamline the various styles of presentation used for County and public communications.

## FY 2017 Actual Expenses \$11,750,743.01



- APA Accreditation Grant
- Education and Training
- HeadStart Match
- Summer Camp Program
- Youth Empowerment Center Contracts
- Administration
- Evidence Based Programming Contracts
- Highridge Family Center
- Summer Food Program (Grant)
- Community Based Agencies Contract
- Family Violence Intervention Program (FVIP)
- Outreach and Community Programming
- Youth and Family Counseling



### FY 2018 Outlook

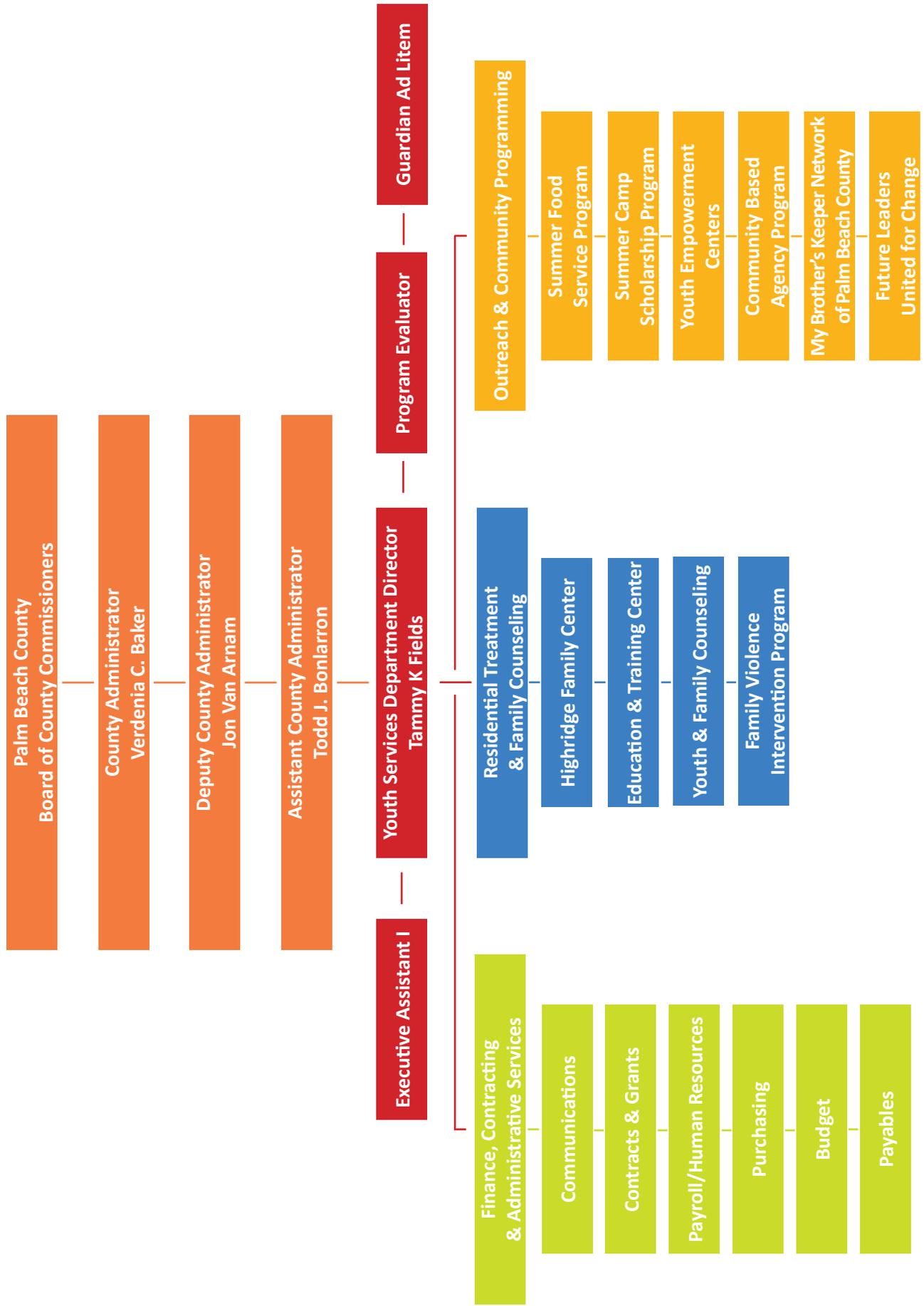
Moving forward into fiscal year 2018, the Board approved two positions adding to the Youth Services complement. FCA will continue to identify ways to streamline processes, improve efficiencies and continue outreach efforts to inform the public of our services. We look forward to continuing to support and meet Youth Services' financial and administrative needs.

Sincerely,

Michelle Liska

Director of Finance, Contracting and Administrative Services Division

# Organizational Chart





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