



2nd Quarterly Meeting
June 18, 2019

9:00 am – 12:30 pm
AdventHealth - Altamonte Springs
Chatlos Conference Rooms 1 & 2
601 East Altamonte Drive
Altamonte Spring, FL 32701

Note: The following is a summary of the highlights of the proceedings and is not intended to be construed as a transcript. Please contact Frenchie Yon at Frenchie.Yon@eog.myflorida.com to obtain meeting materials or visit www.flgov.com/fbcb.

Attendance Summary

Florida Faith-Based and Community-Based Advisory Council Members in attendance:

- Ms. Trenia Cox
- Dr. Jerry Haag
- Ms. Nancy Acevedo
- Pastor Kirt Anderson
- Mr. Wallace Brown
- Pastor Gerard Duncan
- Pastor Scott George
- Dr. Rosby Glover
- Dr. Gretchen Kerr
- Mr. Calvin Martin
- Ms. Pat Smith
- Mr. Gary Tester
- Mr. Barry Webster
- Rabbi Yosef Weinstock
- Pastor Reno Zunz
- Pastor Pam Olsen (via phone)
- Pastor Carl Reeves (via phone)
- Pastor Marcus Smith (via phone)

Florida Faith-Based and Community-Based Advisory Council Members unable to attend:

- Mr. Richard Albertson
- Reverend Perry Davis
- Mr. Rolando Gonzalez
- Rabbi Pinchas Taylor
- Pastor Blaine Whitt



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Proceedings

I. Call to Order and Welcome

- Chair Trenia Cox welcomed the Council members and called the meeting to order.
- The roll was called by Ms. Jessica Jones, Governor’s Office of Adoption and Child Protection, and a quorum was confirmed.
- Chaplain Azahel Almerida, AdventHealth Chaplain, provided the invocation.
- Mr. Tim Cook, with AdventHealth, provided a welcome
- and shared more about AdventHealth’s mission and their work in the community.
- The meeting summaries were not available for the members to discuss at the meeting, and we will email each member to ensure the summary is reviewed and voted on to comply.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag recognized June as National Reunification Month.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag shared that June 15th was Elder Abuse Awareness Day and recognized the work of the Department of Elder Affairs and the Department of Children and Families to support and assist elders.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Hagg shared that the State of Florida began their annual Pinwheels for Prevention campaign.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag announced that the Department of Health and Division of Emergency Management has excellent information to help citizens get their hurricane plan in place.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Hagg highlighted the importance of the “Water Safety” and “Looking before you Lock” campaigns and provided different materials from agencies for additional information and resources on these topics.





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- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag shared that on September 4th-6th, the Department of Children and Families will host their 2019 Child Protection Summit at the JW Marriott Grand Lakes in Orlando.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag shared that on September 30th, Attorney General Ashley Moody and the Statewide Council on Human Trafficking will host their Human Trafficking Summit at the Hyatt Regency in Orlando.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag shared that on October 29th-30th, the Department of Juvenile Justice will host the 2019 Restoring Hope Training Summit at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center in Orlando.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag shared that on November 6th-8th, the 4th Annual “Healing Neen” Trauma-Informed Care Conference will take place at the Omni Resort at Championsgate.
- Vice-Chair Jerry Haag shared that on November 18th-20th, the Department of Education will be hosting its Educational Strategies and Student Engagement Institute at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center in Orlando.

II. Creating a Resilient Community: From Trauma to Healing

- Ms. Rachel Allen, Director of the Peace and Justice Institute at Valencia College, shared on the Central Florida collaboration and the next step for the program.
- Ms. Allen shared on their Inclusive Excellence Speaker Series and teaching ACEs to the community.
- Ms. Allen shared about the conference they held on April 3rd for Creating a Resilient Community: From Trauma and Healing.
- She shared about the future steps that will be taken, including educational workshops, a Community Resilience Project, helping the community to become trauma-informed, and ACEs 101.
- Ms. Allen shared a resource called - <https://www.acesconnection.com/>





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III. Opioid Epidemic

- Captain Sammy Gibson with the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, shared how the Opioid Epidemic has impacted Seminole County.
- Captain Gibson first spoke about the impacts from a national level. Drug overdose is now the leading cause of non-illness related deaths in the U.S.
- He then transitioned to a state level overview of the opioid epidemic and spoke about the efforts of the statewide opioid working group that Sheriff Lemma led. Captain Gibson shared a statistic that on average, 19 people are dying a day from Opioid-Related Deaths.
- Captain Gibson narrowed it down even further to the impact that Seminole County faces and how this has impacted law enforcement and child welfare locally.



IV. Central Florida Cares Health System, Inc.

- Ms. Anna Lowe with Central Florida Cares Health System, the Managing Entity for this area, shared about addressing the opioid epidemic.
- Ms. Lowe shared about Governor Desantis' Legislative Funding to support Florida's fight against opioids as well as other statistics and their economic impact.
- Ms. Lowe shared they are spreading awareness through prevention and education through health care professionals, schools, public service announcements, and the pregnant women population.
- Ms. Lowe spoke on the benefits of Medication Assisted Treatment and its success.



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- Ms. Lowe shared about the Good Samaritan Law that provides immunity from arrest when a person who is either experiencing an opiate-related overdoses or observing one calls 911 for assistance or seeks out medical attention.



V. Central Florida: Project Opioid Abuse

- Mr. Andrae Bailey, CEO of Change Everything, shared information about Project Opioid Abuse, a business and faith leader initiative.
- Mr. Bailey shared how the opioid crisis is something like we have never seen before and increasing yearly.
- Mr. Bailey shared the similarity between Heroine and Opioids and how people of all backgrounds are using Opioids.
- Mrs. Bailey shared how Project Opioid Abuse will be doing work with the faith community around the state.



VI. Building Economic Supports

- Ms. Pam Nabors, President, and CEO of CareerSource Florida spoke on building economic supports and connecting Central Floridians to careers.
- Ms. Nabors shared how CareerSource works closely with the business community and analyzes opportunities, as well as develops skilled workers.
- Ms. Nabors discussed high growth industries and in-demand careers in Central Florida, such as IT/Finance, Trade and Logistics, Advanced Manufacturing, Construction, and Hospitality.
- Ms. Nabors spoke on the program's development of faith-based targeted strategies.





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VII. Member Updates

- Council Members provided information on the following topics:
- Member Calvin Martin shared about a Child Equity Conference focused on disproportionality and race-related issues within the child welfare system and the ongoing efforts of providers to address issues impacting specific communities.
- Member Gary Tester shared about a national organization called Community Anti-drug Coalitions of America that specializes in working with community sectors to pull communities together.
- Member Barry Webster reported on the success of a human trafficking awareness event in Tallahassee, FL that focused on training on how to detect predators in technology.
- Member Kirt Anderson shared about St. Matthew's House rehabilitation effort and the excellent work they are doing in the recovery effort.
- Member Wallace Brown shared his appreciation for all of the organizations presented as well as the opportunities available to help the community.
- Member Rosby Glover shared about Mt. Bethel's efforts towards keeping families together and providing necessities, such as food, through a project with other churches.
- Member Reno Zunz shared about ongoing trauma-informed care training at Churches in Northern Hillsborough County.
- Member Jerry Haag shared about available resources such as the Single Mom's Program that equips moms with job training skills and mentors to come alongside of them, Anti-Child Sex Trafficking that reaches out to victims, and trauma-informed care with child welfare.



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- Member Gerard Duncan shared about Project YouthBuild, an organization that serves out of school youth, and how they help to provide career training and life skills.
- Member Gerard Duncan also shared about an intervention program called High Point Initiative that works to eliminate the open-air drug market.
- Member Pat Smith announced that the First Lady is serving as Chair of the Department of Children and Families and is very passionate about the work and interested in working with the faith-based community.
- Member Scott George shared about a national campaign on 911 that will involve packing events, and 250,000 meals will be packed.
- Member Gretchen Kerr shared about a reentry program for empowering women out of Seminole County Jail called Renew and what the next steps will be for affordable housing and treatment facilities.
- Member Yosef Weinstock shared his appreciation for all of the efforts being made by organizations and how it has created a sense of hope for the community.
- Chair Trena Cox shared about a recent workshop on protective factors and the importance of prevention as well as increasing mental health services.

VIII. Public Comment

- Mr. Carlos Irizarry, Pastor, asked if the opioid treatment facilities and counseling are provided in Spanish.
- Ms. Deirdre Shaw, Government Operations Consultant, asked what is being done, in Central Florida, to address people of color for treatment in terms of opioids.
- Ms. Debbie Owens, Executive Director, spoke on the Good Samaritan Law, a law that mandates that anyone who calls for medical assistance due to overdose will not be in danger of arrest due to drug use.



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- Ms. Lynn Brannon, State Coordinator, spoke on a project called Building Healthy Military Communities that helps to understand challenges of geographically dispersed service members by addressing the challenges of behavioral and mental health and substance misuse, physical health and nutrition, employment education, and childcare.
- Ms. Lynn Brannon also shared about an upcoming event called Back to School Bash, where citizens have many opportunities to volunteer.

IX. Closing

- The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, August 27th at Idlewild Baptist Church in Lutz, FL (Tampa area).
- Benediction was given by Mr. Wallace Brown, Florida Faith-Based and Community-Based Advisory Council Member.
- There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn, and Rabbi Yosef Weinstock seconds the motion.
- The meeting was adjourned.