CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting – 4:30 p.m.

Agenda

Agenda Item:                                           Reference #:

1. Call to Order

   A. Invocation
   B. Pledge of Allegiance
   C. Presentations

      1. Presentation of EveryParent – John Bartosek, Chief Communications Officer; Christine Potter, Director of Communications; Shana Cooper, Public Information Officer; Michael Roedel, Digital Communications Administrator.

      2. Presentation of Strong Minds Network – Tanya Palmer, Chief Program Officer; Jennifer Coleman, System Performance Lead.

2. Minutes

   A. February 28, 2019 Council Meeting

      Recommendation: I recommend the Council approve the Minutes of the February 28, 2019 Council meeting as presented.

3. Public Comment – Agenda Items

4. Council Committees:

   • Finance Committee
   • Personnel Committee

5. Consent Agenda

   1. Additions, Deletions, Substitutions
   2. Items to be pulled from Consent Agenda
   3. Adoption of Consent Agenda and walk-in Warrants List

   A. Program

      1. Great Ideas Initiative Grassroots Student-Led Grant Making

         Recommendation: For informational purposes only; no action required.

      2. Children’s Forum – Training Registry

         Recommendation: For informational purposes only; no action required.

   Business

   1. Warrants List

      Recommendation: I recommend the Council approve the Warrants List, in
accordance with the established budgets for each of the expensed items, as presented.

2. Resolution #19-003 Authorizing Renewal of an Interlocal Agreement for CSC to be under the Jurisdiction of the Office of Inspector General

Recommendation: I recommend the Council approve Resolution #19–3 authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a renewal of the Interlocal Agreement for CSC to be under the jurisdiction of the Office of Inspector General for October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed $116,191, with two additional years renewal, subject to the Council’s annual budget and TRIM Process.

3. Proclamation Declaring April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

Recommendation: I recommend the Council approve this Proclamation to recognize April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

6. Non Consent Agenda

A. Business – N/A

B. For Informational Purposes Only – N/A

7. Walk-In Items

8. Chief Executive Officer’s Report

9. Legal Reports

10. Public Comment – Non Agenda Items

11. Council Comments

12. Adjournment
Why EveryParent?

• What is EveryParent?
Why EveryParent?

• Why did we invest in EveryParent?
Where we are: Signups

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Where we are: Platform (by signup)

Signups (apps vs. website)

- **Apps**: 75%
- **Website**: 25%

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Where we are: Platform (by device)

iOS (Apple) vs. Android

- 60% Android
- 40% iOS (Apple)
Where we are: Data

Most popular ages (in order): 1, 3, 4, 2, 5

Most popular articles (in order):

1. Favorite parks for families to enjoy
2. Positive approaches to preschooler habits
3. Preteen/teen depression or mental health
4. Advice on picking the perfect summer camp
5. How do I play with baby?
What we’re hearing: Survey

Downs & St. Germain Survey Results:

8 focus groups
600 surveys

- Knowledge of CSC – 67%
- Trustworthiness – 87%
- EveryParent findings
What we’re hearing: Other feedback

- Outreach/Events
- Social Media comments
- Email
- Other feedback loops
What we’re hearing: From the public

“I remember finding an article about postpartum that was really helpful. I had it pretty bad after I had my daughter. I didn’t want to talk about it to anyone. I didn’t want to get help directly. Just to have a resource that was valuable information that could be trusted…”

— Focus group participant

“I wish I had this app when my kids were young.”

— Facebook post
“My twelve year old son recently shared something with me about kids making fun of him at school for not making the middle school basketball team. I realized this wasn’t just about making him feel better, but about me learning HOW to talk to him and better understand what he’s experiencing at this age.

“I Googled first, but was painfully overwhelmed by the intensity of the content, so I opened up the EveryParent app to see what would pop up for his profile. Sure enough the very first article was about their “image” and how it means everything to them.

“I was so surprised that the content was exactly what I needed to read at that moment.”

– Michelle Gonzalez, CEO, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies PBC
Where we’re heading: Content

• Content format
• Content topics
• Videos

Taking on more responsibility
10 years

In this article, you’ll find answers to questions like:
1. Should all kids develop at the same rate?
2. What are key developmental milestones?
3. Why is screening important?

As your child approaches or enters middle school, expect to notice more maturity — in mind and
Where we’re heading: Content

• Landing pages in Spanish and Haitian-Creole
Where we’re heading: Technology

• Video
• Refinements and Releases
• Search
  ◦ Improvements to the Search Engine on the website
  ◦ Addition of links to resources in the apps
Where we’re heading: Outreach
Where we’re heading: Outreach

https://youtu.be/JJYBB3gpxIY

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EveryParent Update – Thank you!

Apple App Store Rating: 4.7 (out of 5)
★★★★★+  

Google Play Store Rating: 4.6 (out of 5)
★★★★★+  

Spread the word!

Communications@cscpbc.org
Strong Minds Network Overview

• Early Childhood System of Care
• Importance of Quality Child Care
• Quality Child Care Picture Walk
• Strong Minds Quality Supports
• Strong Minds Program Stories
• Strong Minds Participation
• Next Steps
Early Childhood System of Care

Public Awareness, Parenting & Outreach

Individual Child & Family Services
- Healthy Beginnings

Quality Child Care
- Scholarships
- Quality Care
  - Strong Minds
  - Afterschool – QIS

Neighborhood-Based Approach
- BRIDGES

Professional Development

Continuous Quality Improvement & Accountability Infrastructure

Data Systems
Why Support Quality Child Care?

- Allows parents to work
- Critical window for optimal brain development
- Better health, social-emotional, and cognitive outcomes
- Narrows the opportunity gap
- Promotes children's learning
Strong Minds Quality Supports

Programs

• Financial Incentives
• Onsite Technical Assistance
• GOLD Child Assessment

Teachers/Staff

• Professional Development Scholarships
• Salary Supplements
• Technical Assistance in the classroom
• Career Advising
• GOLD Child Assessment
Quality Child Care
Quality Child Care
Quality Child Care
Quality Child Care
Strong Minds Quality Supports

GOLD Online Child Assessment Tool

- Evaluation of children’s learning
- Early identification
- Link between teaching and assessment
- Digital tools and resources
Quality Child Care
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Strong Minds Quality Supports

Comprehensive Professional Development

• Career Advising
• Scholarships
• Salary Supplements
Strong Minds Program Stories
Quality Child Care
Quality Child Care
Strong Minds Quality Supports

Technical Assistance

• Teacher/Director led
• Goal setting
• Model best practices
• Real time feedback
Strong Minds Supports Quality
Strong Minds Participation

243 child care programs
Strong Minds Participation

Approximately 12,000 children in Strong Minds programs
Next Steps

Council Presentations/Discussion

• April 2019- Year 4 Evaluation Presentation
• Future workshop- New school readiness legislation (HB 1091) and its impact on Strong Minds
HB 1091: A New Landscape

• Strong Minds was developed locally to address quality in early care and education programs given there was no statewide quality rating system in Florida.

• Now that there is more funding from the state to increase quality, there is a need to re-evaluate the SM supports and resources to reduce duplication of efforts.

• The additional state funding could allow CSC to revisit how we allocate our quality child care funds to best complement those provided by the state.
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting

AGENDA ITEM:  2A

TITLE:     Minutes – February 28, 2019 Council Meeting

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend the Council approve the Minutes of the February 28, 2019 Council Meeting as presented.
CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY
February 28, 2019, 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Weber called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Present:
Thomas Bean
Tom Lynch
James Martz
Dennis Miles
Debra Robinson, M.D.
Jose Luis Rodriguez

Joined by phone: Melissa McKinlay

Excused: Donald E. Fennoy II, Ed.D.; Debra Robinson, M.D., Thomas P. Weber

A. Invocation – led by Vince Goodman

B. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Vice Chair Bean

C. Presentations

1. Presentation of Circles: Pathways to Prosperity – Kasha Owers, Director of Program Performance; Kemberly Bush, Executive Director, Pathways to Prosperity

Q: How many males have been through the program?
A: The Lord’s Place re-entry program was an all-male program. In every class, we normally have between 2-3 males, approximately 25% overall. In the last couple of classes we have had couples coming together, as well.

Q: How many people will go through your Program this fiscal year?
A: 90.

It was stated that this is a match funded program. We started funding Circles in the 2013-14 fiscal year by providing them with $61,000. In 2016-17 they indicated that they wanted to increase their footprint based upon demand. They went through a competitive bid process with the county and we ended up doubling the amount of funds we give them. They are now receiving $122,000 a year from us to serve the 90 individuals per year.

Q: Is this program offered in other places outside Palm Beach County?
A: In Orlando.

Q: Who are some of your other funders, other than the CSC and the county?
A: Foundations, such as the Farris Foundation and a lot of the smaller family foundations, Palm Health has also provided funds.

Q: What would you say is the biggest driver for success of this program?
A: Many of the families that come in to the programs have not been connected to a group of individuals who are all travelling on the same road. You have to want this in order to be
able to succeed. The camaraderie and being able to have relationships with the allies are also important elements for the success of this program.

D. **Election of Officers**

A motion by Goodman/Lynch to keep the same officers was approved by unanimous vote.

**Elected Officers**
Chair – Tom Weber
Vice Chair – Thomas Bean
Secretary – Vince Goodman

2. **Minutes**

A. **January 24, 2019 Council Workshop**

A motion by Goodman/Rodriguez to approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2019 Council Workshop as presented was approved by unanimous vote.

B. **January 24, 2019 Council Meeting**

A motion by Goodman/Rodriguez to approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2019 Council meeting as presented was approved by unanimous vote.

3. **Public Comment – Agenda Items – N/A**

4. **Council Committees:**

- **Finance Committee**

Tom Lynch recommended the Council approve January 24th minutes and the December 31, 2018 and January 31, 2019 Financial Statements. The Finance Committee reviewed the Quarterly Investment Reports and stated that we did really well and we are receiving several hundred thousands of dollars of interest over the investments from last year. They also reviewed some of the budget assumptions for the next fiscal year and will be reviewing that again in the next meeting as they prepare to present to the Board for approval.

A motion by Goodman/Miles to approve the minutes from the January 24th Finance Committee meeting and the December 31st, 2018 and January 31st, 2019 Financial Statements was approved by unanimous vote.

- **Personnel Committee**

Thomas Bean thanked all Council members for providing feedback to the CEO’s Annual Performance Evaluation. The Personnel Committee met this afternoon to review the CEO’s
Annual Performance Evaluation. There was a document provided with the Personnel Committee’s recommendations for the CEO’s compensation package. During the Personnel Committee meeting there was a suggestion that the CEO’s compensation recommendation be provided to the Council in advance of the Council meeting. The Personnel Committee will meet again in March to discuss this suggestion for further consideration. The Personnel Committee recommended approval from the Council of the CEO compensation package as outlined in the document provided.

**A motion by Goodman/Martz to approve the Personnel Committee’s recommendations for the CEO compensation package was approved. Jose Luis Rodriguez opposed this motion.**

Jose Luis Rodriguez stated that Lisa is doing a great job. He hopes that she continues as the CEO. He is voting no on this motion based on the concerns that he expressed at the Personnel Committee meeting regarding the package.

Tom Lynch asked if there is anything that should be shared with the Board, since not every Board member was present at the Personnel Committee meeting. Rodriguez stated that he has some concerns in terms of some items of the package that he would not support but not anything to do with Lisa and her very good evaluation.

Judge Martz stated that attending the Governor’s Executive Order 8118 and going through what the other circuits throughout the state have done, it was abundantly clear that we are a leader here in a lot of ways. He also stated that the success in PBC is attributed to the work that has been done by the Children’s Services Council under Lisa’s leadership. For a number of years we have done a better job than any other geographic area that was outlined under the Governor’s Executive Order. It is worth saying that there is proof to support the compensation package presented today. We could not find somebody better to lead the Council and it should be recognized in different ways, such as a recognition by the Board and a recognition through a compensation package.

5. **Consent Agenda**

1. **Additions, Deletions, Substitutions** – N/A

2. **Items to be Pulled for Discussion** – Agenda item 5A(1) (Reference #3) and agenda item 5A(2) (Reference #4) were pulled for discussion purposes.

3. **Adoption of the Consent Agenda and Walk-in Warrants List**

   **A motion by Lynch/Rodriguez to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Agenda items 5A(1) (Reference #3), and approve the Walk-in Warrants list was approved by unanimous vote.**

**A. Program**

1. **Resolution #19-002 Authorizing Increased Allocation for FY 18/19 Dental Services**
   Tamara-Kay Tibby DMD, MPH, Dental Director for C. L. Brumback Primary Care Clinics,
Health Care District of Palm Beach County and Terry Megiveron, Director, FQHC Practice Operations joined this discussion

Q: Who is eligible for this program and what is the age limit?
A: The program currently serves any pregnant women within our nursing home visiting service programs.

Q: Do you have a specific age limit?
A: There is no specific limit. Some of our programs serve teenage pregnant women.

Q: It is stated that this Program serves women and families, not only pregnant women, can you please clarify?
A: We say women and families because when the mother is healthy she is more able to take good care of their children. We also serve women that are post-partum and that are uninsured through Project DULCE program.

Q: If you took the 95 into the amount of money you have spent so far $15,700, that is 165 dollars per person, is that what the average cost is?
A: We get $180 reimbursed per visit for each client and they provide full dental services, from cleaning, exams, X-Rays, fillings and extractions. These services would not typically be provided to these clients because they don’t have insurance.

Q: So $165 in the $82,000 would come up to 496 people?
A: We did 95 visits but 85 of those were covered with the grant. The other women had coverage, so 10 had Medicaid or other insurance that covered. Of those clients, 85 were uninsured and the grant covered the expenses.

Q: How far after giving birth are women covered for dental services with your program?
A: Some of them will go until the baby is 2 years old and some go until the baby is six months.

Q: How do these women know where to go to receive treatments?
A: Each program has nurse case managers that refer the clients to these services. Healthy Beginnings, Nurse Family Partnership, the WHIN Program and Project DULCE.

Q: How many people have been served to date?
A: In 2015-16 CSC funded approximately $60,000 a year and they never spent all of it. Last year, they took on Project DULCE and we are now receiving many clients and are using all of the money dedicated.

Q: Where would the money that is requested today go? If we grant $50,000, how would you use it?
A: Clients will be able to continue with the services. These women have dental issues and have no place to go. In emergency cases, they would go to the ER, but they don’t have insurance and we know that dental services can impact the health of the fetus, so it helps to prevent poor birth outcomes.
Q: We recently heard about the Health Care District and their approach to health care, wanting to attend all of the client’s needs whether it be mental health, fiscal health or prenatal. Are dental services not available through any Health Care District locations? Does the Health Care District also offers these services?
A: Clients would have to pay out of pocket.

Q: We recently heard from the Health Care District that that is not the case.
A: If they don’t have insurance, they would have to pay out of pocket. Through District Cares, dental services would not be covered.

Q: What portion is funded through the Health Care District and what is covered by CSC?
A: Per under the District Cares, the client would have to be referred by a general practitioner.

Q: How do clients get to the specialist if they don’t’ have a general practitioner looking at them first?
A: They would go through the Primary Care office and the Primary Care office would refer the client. In order to get to a specialist through District Cares, you would have to be referred by a general practitioner.

Q: Does the Health Care District has nine locations?
A: Yes

Q: Would any of those locations allow for a pregnant or not-pregnant female to walk-in with a dental health issue and be served?
A: There is dental services in only four locations. Any of the four locations would accept women. This program serves uninsured pregnant women.

Q: Why is it CSC dollars and not dollars from the Health Care District?
A: The referral comes from the CSC and this program offers a partnership to care for these patients.

Q: Usually, if they don’t’ have a primary dentist, that’s when they get in trouble and need more specialized dental care. Do these people have a regular dentist?
A: No, they don’t have any dental care. Most women would get gum disease and severe dental periodontal disease that can affect the health of the baby they are carrying.

Q: Regardless of whether a woman that needs dental care is referred to the Health Care District by us, or as a private citizen not associated with the CSC and walks in to the Health Care District, they get treated the same way, they are not denied care and the care gets paid by the Health Care District.
A: Depending on the income. Some services are uniquely offered to women that are on the grant and not to other patients. The Health Care District does not cover for additional services. Women in this program receive care coordination. By being part of our system, they are properly educated about the effects of gum disease and the need for dental care. If these services were not available, they would not receive this education.
Q: Is there a limit where you have a set amount in your budget to treat 100 women and when 101 walks in then she gets turned away because you don’t have any more money in your budget or is any woman that walks-in gets treated?
A: The Health Care District doesn’t have a cut-off.

Q: If there are women that may not know about the opportunities that are presented to them to get this treatment on prevention of care, they can still be advised by the CSC and referred to the HCD and the HCD would pay for it. Does it matter how they walk-in there, they will get treated? Should CSC be paying for enhanced dental treatment for CSC’s clients or not? Why is CSC funding dental work for people that the HCD is going to treat? If we advise them as part of one of these four programs on the need to go get dental treatment and one of the four HCD locations, they will not be denied service. This Council needs to decide if we are going to fund up to $50,000 worth of enhanced dental treatment for CSC clients.
A: Services provided through this program are enhanced services, such as the need for restorative care.

Q: If someone goes for treatment and they need not only preventive, but something beyond, like an extraction, does the Health Care District pay for the filling and extraction or do we pay for the whole visit? If the visit is $500 and $300 is crisis or urgent need and $200 is preventive, then why don’t we stretch the money more and we pay for the $200 because they wouldn’t be able to get those services anywhere and services that they can get through another funding source gets paid by that funding source.
A: Most of the visits are preventive visits. Only approximately 20% of the patients do restorative. We can clarify, as part of the contract, the specific dental services that will be covered under our contract. We will also go back and confirm what types of dental services are covered by the Health Care District and ensure that we are not paying for something that should be paid for by another government entity and that it will not compromise the access to dental care services to pregnant women. Part of the issue is that clients that are in our programs need immediate care, and that may not be the case for those that walk-in to a Health Care District clinic to receive services.

Q: How many pregnant women are in PBC in a year that are in an economic situation?
A: We have 15,000 births a year. Medicaid covers approximately 55%. We need to look at the uninsured population and emergency Medicaid. It could be up to approximately 2,000 women.

Q: This could be between 490-500 women, so what happens to the rest?
A: This a population that currently is receiving care coordinated services and we have the ability to make the connections. We know that there are barriers in the access of care. We do have the entry agencies that provide ongoing assessments and we want to make sure that clients are established with the right tools and that they are accessing the services they need. There is a responsibility within the prenatal care office to encourage pregnant women to go out and receive the services they need. Unfortunately, there is still a population that is probably missed.

A motion by Lynch/Rodriguez to approve up to $25,000 and to revisit any additional funding need in a month was approved by unanimous vote.
It was stated that they are currently at full budget expenditure.

2. **Council Workshop Follow-Up**

High level walk-through of the items discussed at the Council Workshop:

**Great Ideas Initiative:**
- Eligibility and parameters - medical and housing expenses will be excluded from funding.
- Capital expenses would be limited to $10,000 in total and the purchase of vehicles will be prohibited.
- We will retain the application requirement in regards to registration with the State to solicit funds.
- Community Involvement - We want to continue to look at involving local business leaders and partners in the process.
- Early release of application for 2019 will be released in May and moving forward after doing current research, we recommend leaving the timing as is.
- Two areas where we are continuing to explore:
  a. Resident-led grant making – we will continue to look at that and will come to the Board with a recommendation in March.
  b. Funding for sustainability and growth – the annual RFP process will continue to be for a one-year grant and we will continue to explore and research other areas that we can help with the capacity building and sustainability of smaller organizations so that we can move them into an area where they can apply in the future for funding from us. If there is a program that we believe, after implementation, is vital to our early system of care, we will come forward with a recommendation to you to continue funding forward.

**Capital Expenditures**
- We will be changing our current fiscal guidelines to eliminate funding of vehicles.
- As per your recommendation, we will consider funding capital associated with security, such as cameras and locking doors to ensure safety in our programs.

**Playgrounds**
- We shouldn’t be involved in building playgrounds. We will consider if we want to offset costs associated with making a playground inclusive. If we get any of these requests, we will vet them and will bring to the Council with a recommendation.

**Q:** There is a playground item in the walk-in warrants today.
**A:** That is not building a playground, it’s a community event.

**Q:** If we fund a playground, do we get to hold harmless from the group that is building it and do we approve that they will be maintaining it so that we don’t get brought up in a suit?
**A:** Yes, we would. This would be not building the playground at all. For example, it would be to provide options for children with special needs to enjoy the playground.

**Refrigeration**
- While we have not received requests so far in terms of the Hunger Relief Plan, we will continue to gather information and if something comes forward we will bring to this Council for consideration.
B. Business

1. Warrants List – Approved by Consent

6. Non Consent Agenda

A. Business – N/A

B. For Informational Purposes Only – N/A

7. Walk-In Items – N/A

8. Chief Executive Officer’s Report

- Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. update.
- Great Ideas Initiative
- Client Counts, FY 2017-2018
- 2019 Race to Equity Summit
- Legislative Update
- Communications Update
- Staff Accomplishments
- Reminders:
  o Broken Places on March 27 at 5:00 pm
  o Groundwater Analysis on April 4 at 1:00 pm
  o Birth to 22 Business Event on April 12 at 8:00 am

9. Legal Reports

When CSC releases an RFP or an invitation to bid, part of that package provides the proposers are prohibited from contacting any CSC personnel or Council members regarding the request with the sole exception of a single contact person, which is documented. This is the cone of silence and it is a typical characteristic of these processes and it helps ensure an open and fair competition. Our recommendation is if someone tries to contact you on a specific RFP, rather than engaging in a conversation, simply let them know that they have to talk only to the contact person listed in our website. At the top page, click on the dollar sign, which takes you to our RFP page and they can find any current RFPs, click on it and see who the contact person is. If a proposer violates any of this part, it will become ineligible to apply.

10. Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items – N/A

11. Council Comments

- Vince Goodman thanked CSC staff for all the work they do for the Council.

12. Adjournment
The meeting was recessed at 5:15 pm to hold a Prevention Partnerships for Children, Inc., meeting and reconvened at 5:18 pm. The meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm.

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Vincent Goodman, Secretary                             Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting

AGENDA ITEM:  5A(1)

TITLE:     Consent Agenda – Program
Great Ideas Initiative Grassroots Student-Led Grant Making

CSC STAFF:   LaNita Sanders, Community Planning & Partnerships Program Officer

SUMMARY:

Purpose
The purpose of this Grassroots Student-led Grant Making Pilot is to promote societal healing and transformation by helping to ensure buy-in and accountability for shared goals and strategies within the Glades communities. It also becomes a method for

- Affecting change through the power of young people,
- Fostering effective and community-determined resource allocation,
- Strengthening resident-controlled associations and local non-profits helping people with shared interests work collectively to improve their blocks, neighborhoods, or communities and be a stronger voice for change and community vitality, and
- Bolstering the relationship between CSC and the communities it serves.

Structure:

A. Joint Leadership Team — CSC will partner with Student ACES Glades to plan, implement and monitor the Grassroots Student-led Grant Making Pilot. Krissy Webb, Director of Student ACES, has expressed confidence in their ability to implement the pilot due in part to the recent acquisition of a dedicated Student ACES Glades youth center and full-time Activities Director in addition to having well-established partnerships with other Glades stakeholder agencies and residents.

B. CSC will serve as the funder, providing $50,000 through a contract agreement with Student ACES for the following:
   1. Up to $35,000 in community mini-grants to support programs and/or services identified by students, parents, residents and other stakeholders, to support equitable access to opportunities, resources and supports in their communities, such as social connections, parenting resources, quality education, good jobs and safe neighborhoods. Grant ceilings: $5,000 for non-profit organizations and $2,000 for organized neighborhood groups.
   2. Up to $15,000 to support Student ACES Glades in carrying out the program operations, planning and implementation.

C. Student ACES, with the assistance of CSC and in partnership with Healthier Glades, will serve as the Backbone Organization, Project Manager and Fiscal Agent for this initiative. In addition to organizing the Steering Committee and Advisory Team, they will be responsible for:
   1. Program planning, implementation, and management,
   2. Fair and equitable selection process for Steering Committee and Advisory Team members,
   3. Ensuring all financial appropriations are made in a timely and appropriate manner, including payment of stipends, mini-grant awards, and financial reconciliation of all dollars,
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4. Collective Impact activities to engage other stakeholders including but not limited to organizing and facilitating community events,
5. Facilitation of grant-making training for Steering and Advisory Committee members, and
6. Submitting periodic status reports and a final program report to CSC.

D. **Steering Committee** - Youth members of Student ACES. The Steering Committee will be responsible for facilitating public meetings, creating the RFP to solicit, review and decide awards for proposals from nonprofits and community groups, and working with the Advisory Team to monitor and support awarded projects. The Steering Committee should be comprised of 7-10 students.

E. **Advisory Team** – Group of 7-10 trusting, respected adults (inclusive of Student ACES graduates) who live or work in the Glades selected by the Steering Committee. The Advisory Team, with assistance from CSC, will be responsible for organizing a proposer’s workshop and technical assistance, providing mentoring/guidance to the youth and oversight of awarded projects.

**Process**

Once Steering Committee and Advisory Team members are selected and training is complete, residents will be invited to participate in public visioning sessions designed to bring together diverse community voices to identify top aspirations, concerns and possible solutions for their neighborhood, starting with the simple question: “What is your vision for Glades youth?” This information will inform the creation of an RFP to solicit and support proposals from area nonprofits and community groups. To align with the primary purpose of the Great Ideas Initiative, funding will support those projects that enhance the lives of children (prenatal to age 18) and their families, specifically, those living in the Glades Communities of PBC. Exclusions will include requests for medical expenses, housing and shelter, hunger relief, swim lesson vouchers, children’s safety equipment, summer camp scholarships, special needs equipment and capital expenditures.

CSC staff will approve the winning proposals selected by the Steering Committee and Advisory Team members will be matched with grantees for ongoing support and monitoring. Ongoing monitoring and support will take place throughout the project period, culminating in a community impact celebration and final fiscal and program report. The Steering Committee of students will make a presentation to CSC’s Board at the conclusion of their funding decisions.

**Proposed Timeline**

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost of funding this item is $50,000. Funding is available through the Program Strategy budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

For informational purposes only; no action required.
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
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AGENDA ITEM:  5A(2)

TITLE:     Consent Agenda – Program
Children’s Forum – Training Registry

CSC STAFF:  Alexandra Peralta, Program Officer
Martha Lynch, Budget Specialist

SUMMARY:

Agreements between CSC and agencies contain provisions that require timely submission of monthly reimbursement requests as well as specific agency level documentation: annual audit, proof of insurances and fire inspections. In the event that an agency does not meet the timely submission requirement, a late charge of $500 is imposed for each funded program.

The Children’s Forum failed to timely submit its Certificate of Liability Insurance. As such, a late charge of $500 is applied to its Training Registry Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

RECOMMENDATION:

For informational purposes only; no action required.
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting

AGENDA ITEM: 5B(1)

TITLE: Consent Agenda – Business
Warrants List

CSC STAFF: Debra Heim, Chief Financial Officer

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend the Council approve the Warrants List, in accordance with the established budgets for each of the expensed items, as presented.
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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting

AGENDA ITEM:  5B(2)

TITLE:  Consent Agenda - Business
Resolution # 19-003 Authorizing Renewal of an Interlocal Agreement for CSC to be under the Jurisdiction of the Office of Inspector General

CSC STAFF:  Thomas A. Sheehan, III, General Counsel

SUMMARY:
In September 2011, the Council voted to go under the jurisdiction of the Office of Inspector General (OIG) pursuant to an Interlocal Agreement that went into effect January 1, 2012 and has been renewed since then, currently expiring September 30, 2019. The Interlocal Agreement is now being proposed to be renewed at the same terms, including the same fixed fee, over a new three-year period.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The total cost for funding this item for FY19-20 would be $116,191; the funds to support this agenda item are subject to the Council’s TRIM budget and millage process. This will be a flat fee continuing for the next two fiscal years, as the Agreement would renew automatically subject to the TRIM and budget process.

RECOMMENDATION:
I recommend the Council approve Resolution #19-003 authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a renewal of the Interlocal Agreement for CSC to be under the jurisdiction of the Office of Inspector General for October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed $116,191, with two additional years renewal, subject to the Council’s annual budget and TRIM Process.
RESOLUTION #19-003
RESOLUTION OF THE CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY
AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICE OF
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

WHEREAS by Resolution #11-022, renewed as applicable, the Children’s Services Council of Palm Beach County (“Council”) placed itself under the jurisdiction of the Inspector General; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement with the OIG has been renewed since then with the current version expiring September 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to continue such an arrangement for an additional three-year period at the same fee for all three years, with the Interlocal Agreement to be renewed automatically each year during this period; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Inspector General desires to continue with such revised duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute, on behalf of the Council, the necessary Interlocal Agreement renewal with the Office of the Inspector General with an effective date of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed $116,191, with two additional one-years renewals, subject to the Council’s annual budget and TRIM process.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Council Member ________________________ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member ________________________ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Thomas Bean
Donald E. Fennoy, II, Ed.D.
Vincent Goodman
Thomas E. Lynch
Melissa McKinlay
James Martz
Dennis Miles
Debra Robinson, M.D.
Jose Luis Rodriguez, Esq.
Thomas P. Weber

The Chairman thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this 28th day of March, 2019.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

BY: ______________________
Thomas A. Sheehan, III
Attorney for Children’s Services Council
of Palm Beach County

CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

BY: ______________________
Thomas P. Weber, Chair

BY: ______________________
Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting

AGENDA ITEM:  5B(3)

TITLE:  Consent Agenda - Business
        Proclamation Declaring April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

CSC STAFF:  Marsha Guthrie, Community Planning and Prevention Lead;
            Laura Fleischman, Evaluation Officer

SUMMARY:

In FY 2017-2018, about 1,500 children were verified victims of child abuse and neglect in Palm Beach County, and six children tragically died as a result of child abuse. Nearly 40 percent of the verified victims were children under the age of 6, and more than 87 percent were under the age of 13.

Children are vital to our county’s future success, prosperity and quality of life, as well as being our most vulnerable assets. While there has been a 22 percent increase in the number of children removed from their homes and placed in the foster care system, there is still an insufficient number of foster families to care for them; only 267 active families at the close of 2018. In recognition of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, Children’s Services Council and its community partners are taking steps to raise awareness and share relevant data, information and prevention tips.

Sadly, substance abuse in the home remains unacceptably high in the county; substance misuse was the reason cited for 43 percent of the children entering out-of-home care. Substance misuse was also listed among the top three allegations in child abuse complaints, and was the top cause cited in verified allegations.

For the past nine years, Children’s Services Council has collaborated with the Florida Department of Children and Families and the local community-based care organization, ChildNet Inc., to lead child abuse prevention planning efforts under the county’s Child Abuse Prevention & Permanency Plan (CAPP). CSC co-chairs the CAPP and in this role works with local, state and regional stakeholders to examine, identify and implement strategies to reduce child maltreatment in the county. Improvements noted in the past three years include:

- Improved partnerships with community stakeholders such as Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures, the CSC Healthy Beginnings System, and the county’s Child Abuse Death Review team.
- A significant decrease in the county’s verified child abuse rate from 11.5 per 1,000 in the 2015 CAPP to 5.2 per 1,000 now. The targeted rate at the end of the current CAPP 2020 is 9 per 1,000, so we are already far out-performing the target with one full year remaining in the current plan.
- A nearly 50 percent decrease in child deaths since FY 15-16 because of the collaborations of Birth to 22 and its partners. The top two causes of child deaths are unsafe sleep and drowning, both of which are preventable deaths.
- Improved service delivery to children who are involved with both the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. We recognize that children who are in both systems have increased likelihood of experiencing abandonment, neglect and trauma, which can have lasting impacts.
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY  
March 28, 2019 Council Meeting

To build awareness about Child Abuse Prevention, proclamations have been accepted throughout the community, proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Among the first proclamations are those by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners on April 2, the City of Palm Beach Gardens on April 4, and the Circuit 15 Community Alliance on March 18. Other steps include the following:

- CSC purchased more than 7,200 blue pinwheels to highlight prevention of child abuse and neglect. BRIDGES and their communities take the lead to place these in “gardens” around the county, including the front lawn space here at Children’s Services Council, with appropriate signage to inform the public on the issue.
- Throughout April, each BRIDGES and their communities have activities planned, such as blue pinwheel gardens as parent child activities and with local partners; wear blue on Wednesdays (April 3, 10, 17 and 24); capacity building for parents to share information on how child abuse and neglect affects children and families mentally, emotionally and physically; and other creative family activities to spread awareness about child abuse prevention.
- Children’s Services Council Communications team and BRIDGES will promote child abuse prevention tips and information on social media.
- On Tuesday, April 9, at 11:30 a.m., ChildNet will host its 2019 Care for Kids Luncheon at the Woodfield Country Club in Boca Raton. Registration is at: https://www.givegab.com/campaigns/childnet-care-for-kids-luncheon-palm-beach-count
- On Thursday, April 11, at 8:30 a.m., the Child Death Prevention Symposium will provide a training at Children’s Services Council offices on medical bias; reaching Haitian, Guatemalan and Native American communities; drowning prevention; poison control; and shaken baby syndrome.
- During the week of April 7-13, the Palm Beach County Victims’ Rights Coalition offers daily events throughout the county recognizing victims’ rights, including those of children. Events include training on ending child sexual abuse and also human trafficking. Event details are at: http://www.pbcunites.org/pbcvictimssrights.html
- On Thursday, April 18, starting at noon, Palm Beach County Victim’s Services & Certified Rape Crisis Center will facilitate a public health seminar on “Human Trafficking” at the Department of Health in West Palm Beach.

Effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, governments, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community. Children’s Services Council is proud to stand with our community partners to bring awareness to this issue.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend the Council approve this Proclamation to raise awareness and recognize April 2019 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
PROCLAMATION
DECLARING APRIL 2019 AS
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, 1,501 children in Palm Beach County were victims of verified child abuse and neglect in 2017-2018, creating an overall child abuse rate for the county of 5.2 per 1,000, slightly down from 5.3 per 1,000 last year; and,
WHEREAS, tragically, six children died from child abuse in Palm Beach County last year, the same number as the previous year; and
WHEREAS, nearly 40 percent of those abused and neglected children are under the age of 6, and nearly 87.5 percent of them are under the age of 13; and
WHEREAS, African-American children represent 28.2 percent of children under age six in Palm Beach County, they represent nearly 42 percent of the victims of verified child abuse; and
WHEREAS, this year in Palm Beach County, 833 children were removed from their homes because of abuse, and there are only 267 active foster families to care for them – fewer than last year; and
WHEREAS, Palm Beach County has seen significantly more children removed from their homes – a 22 percent increase in children placed in the foster care system than last year; and
WHEREAS, slightly fewer children were placed with relatives and family members – the most preferred placement in removals – and a smaller percentage were placed in residential homes, the least preferred option; and
WHEREAS, the continuing use of opioids contributes to incidents of child abuse and neglect when children are present in the home of drug users, and that substance misuse was the top allegation cited in verified cases; and
WHEREAS, children who suffer abuse and neglect are nine times more likely to become involved in criminal activities; and
WHEREAS, studies have shown that parents maltreated as children are at higher risk of abusing their own children, continuing this tragic cycle of abuse; and
WHEREAS, toxic stress that stems from abuse can damage young children’s developing brains, create learning and behavioral problems and hinder their future achievements, which has huge implications for our whole community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY that the following will be observed:
April 2019 Child Abuse Prevention Month

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Council Member __________________ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member ___________________ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

The Chairman thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this 28th day of March, 2019.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

BY: ____________________________

Thomas A. Sheehan, III
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CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

BY: ____________________________

Thomas P. Weber, Chair

BY: ____________________________

Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer
Examination of CSC’s Early Childhood System of Care Related to Maternal Substance Use/Neonatal Substance Exposure and Trauma-Informed Care Training

In Palm Beach County and Florida, the rates of Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) have increased dramatically in recent years. NAS is the term given to the condition of an infant under one month of age born to a drug-affected mother. Addressing the opioid epidemic requires a comprehensive and collaborative countywide systems approach, and Children’s Services Council contributes to these efforts in Palm Beach County, particularly within the Healthy Beginnings System (HB System) that screens, assesses, and provides direct services to pregnant mothers, parents, and their young children.

As one of three major investment strategies within CSC’s System of Care, the HB System has been carefully designed and developed to provide a range of coordinated services for prenatal and postnatal women, and families with children birth to age 5. Operational in Palm Beach County since 2009, the HB System is dedicated to promoting healthy births, reducing child maltreatment, and promoting children’s kindergarten readiness. Within the system, multiple programs are strategically aligned to deliver coordinated, comprehensive and integrated services.

The HB System provides access to direct health and social services for pregnant women whose chances of having a healthy baby are negatively impacted by risk factors such as poverty, limited access to health care, poor nutrition, age, substance abuse, homelessness, domestic violence and more. The HB System offers universal risk screenings for pregnant women, infants, and young children to identify potential challenges that place a woman and/or her baby at risk for long-term problems. Obstetricians in private practice and in clinics encourage all expectant mothers to complete the Healthy Start Prenatal Risk Screen during routine prenatal care. Developmental consultants working at the ten birthing hospitals in Palm Beach County administer the Healthy Start Infant Risk Screen to all mothers of newborns at the time of birth. When parents disclose past or current substance use, staff follow-up with referrals to services within our system or to other community partners.

Healthy Start

Florida’s Healthy Start program in Palm Beach County is integrated within the Healthy Beginnings System. Healthy Start legislation provides for universal risk screening of all Florida's pregnant women and infants to identify those at risk for poor birth, health and developmental outcomes. The goal of Healthy Start is to reduce infant mortality, reduce the number of low birth weight babies and improve health and developmental outcomes. The recent refinement of Healthy Start has included an increased focus on preventing and identifying substance abuse issues for pregnant mothers, and linking pregnant mothers and new mothers to services. Nurse Home Visitation models including Prenatal Plus, Nurses Supporting Families, and Women’s Health Initiative (WHIN) are assessing mothers using the Substance Use Risk Profile – Pregnancy Scale, along with the SBIRT approach for Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment for substance abuse. This screening occurs within 30 days of enrollment, at 36
weeks gestation, at the first post-partum home visit, and whenever needed. System providers are expected to be well-trained in Substance Use Disorder (SUD) risk identification, provide support, and have strong referral relationships with community resources. Relationships exist with Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network (SEFBHN) and the Drug Abuse Foundation. SEFBHN prioritizes substance abuse treatment for pregnant and postpartum women.

**Home Visiting Programs**

Home Visiting Programs play an important role in the continuum of supports, from prevention to treatment. Home visitors provide consistent, caring relationships, parenting guidance, and connections to the services that many pregnant women and families with newborns need. They also educate women about the effects of substance use during pregnancy, support pregnant women and caregivers with substance use disorders to enter treatment programs, and support mothers in caring for babies who may be experiencing NAS.

Healthy Families and Nurse Family Partnership address substance use as part of their training and home visitation curriculum. Child First, an intensive home visitation model, specifically addresses maternal trauma and substance use as risk factors in its eligibility process. Counseling services promote positive mental health and social-emotional outcomes for children birth to five and their families, and support families who may have past substance use issues and to prevent future use. Early Steps, a key service for substance-exposed infants, is also a partner within the HB System.

It is important to note the preventive role of all of our Healthy Beginnings supports and services. The National Institutes of Health suggests that interventions in early childhood can help prevent future drug use. The response to the opioid epidemic includes prevention and promotion in the early childhood years to build protective factors, foster resilience, and promote positive parenting and parent-child relationships.

**Direct Support to Families in Dependency System**

Many families with substance use risks are referred directly to the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and served within the dependency system. CSC, our Entry Agencies, and providers collaborate with DCF. For example, Child First has a team that serves families referred from Early Childhood Court. In addition, CSC supports the Foster Children’s Project, Juvenile Advocacy Project, and Relative Caregiver Program through Legal Aid; Triple P services for referrals from ChildNet; and child care scholarships to children in the care of relatives.

Recent changes to the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) has led to work in the state of Florida to address federal requirements and the incorporation of a Plan of Safe Care when serving infants and families affected by prenatal substance use. CSC is addressing the role of Healthy Start and our Healthy Beginnings programs in the development and coordination of these plans.

**Trauma-Informed Training**

CSC is partnering with faculty from Barry University to offer Trauma Informed Care training. Seven trainings have been scheduled since October 1, 2017. Of these, 5 have been held with 2 still to come in FY 2018-19. To date, there have been 88 staff who have completed the training, with an additional 33 currently registered for upcoming training. The workshop provides an introduction to trauma and toxic
stress, with an emphasis on individuals and families, and discusses the symptoms and long-term consequences of trauma and adverse childhood experiences. The workshop is intended for a wide range of potential audiences, including direct service providers, supervisors and administrators, advocates, service recipients, and interested community members. Learning objectives include identifying components of trauma-informed practices, conceptualizing cases through a trauma-informed lens, and incorporating a strength-based approach to behavioral health and psychosocial problems, with specific and practical trauma-informed strategies for creating safe, trustworthy, collaborative and empowering service delivery.

Other trainings CSC has offered which address trauma are:

- Infant Mental Health Reflective Practice: Grief and Loss in Infant and Young Children
- The Ripple Effect: An Integrated Framework for Enhancing Trauma Informed Practice Across Systems
- Trauma Informed Child-Parent Psychotherapy (CPP)
- Grief, Loss and Trauma
- Brain Development of Children (includes the impact of trauma on the developing brain)

CSC participates as an active member of the “Birth-to-22: United for Brighter Futures” Trauma-informed care workgroup focused on removing community stressors and systemic barriers.

Examination of NAS Data in Palm Beach County and Florida

Data in the following table reflects total counts of newborns born with NAS in Palm Beach County and in Florida from 2005 through 2017. Overall, data reveals a dramatic increase for both Palm Beach County and Florida through 2016. The most recent data for 2017 does indicate a decrease in Palm Beach County of 8.1% from the prior year, compared to a 0.9% decrease for Florida. We will continue to closely monitor these trends as data is released.
Follow-up from Council meeting

Dental Services for Women and Families

At the February 28, 2019 Council meeting CSC staff sought additional resourcing of $50,000 to ensure uninterrupted dental services for clients in four programs within our Healthy Beginnings system of care. The agenda item generated questions that required clarification, specifically relating to the Health Care District (HCD) funding for dental services. CSC staff is currently working with the HCD staff to specifically identify what dental services the HCD covers as a Federally Qualified Health Center and as an independent taxing district of Palm Beach County. We are also working to determine if and/or how those covered services differ from those provided to Healthy Beginnings participants and paid for by CSC. We expect to be able to provide a comprehensive response to the Council’s questions at the April 25, 2019 Council meeting. In the meantime, consistent with the Council’s approval, CSC staff is facilitating a budget amendment to include an additional $25,000 to continue providing dental services to CSC clients.

Total Count of Drug Withdrawal Syndrome in Newborn and Noxious Influences Affecting Fetus or Newborn via Placenta or Breast Milk, Narcotics, 2005-2016*

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*Total Counts: Parameters provided in the data request include: Live Births Principal Diagnosis V10 - V13.2; Drug withdrawal syndrome in newborn (Any Diagnosis V79.5) and Noxious influences affecting fetus or newborn via placenta or breast milk, Narcotics (Any Diagnosis V79.5). In 2015, QA data labeled changed (ICD-10-CM) but this does not impact the numbers.
**Florida Counts: and for 2016 Birth year by Year of Birth by County of Residence (instrument). Provisional birth counts, Department of Health, Vital Statistics. Data source: The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) collects this data pursuant to Section 409.061 Florida Statutes. All data is certified by the Chief Executive Officer of the submitting facility to be accurate, complete and verifiable.

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Great Ideas Initiative Update

From 2016-2018, CSC has funded 66 non-profit organizations, investing over $2 million dollars through the Great Ideas Initiative (GII), including 20 non-profit agencies recently funded through the 2018 GII Request For Proposals. In 2018, Suits for Seniors (SFS) was funded to implement their 8 week mentoring program designed to help young people from under-resourced and disenfranchised communities, envision themselves as successful! The program helps teens begin the journey of self-awareness and personal accountability, teaching leadership skills, financial aptitude, college prep and career exploration for transitioning into adulthood. The young men receive a suit and tie and young women receive a suit and pearls as their diploma for completing and graduating from the program.

School principals, guidance counselors and teachers recommend students for participation. Currently in Palm Beach County, SFS is located in Place of Hope Boca Raton, Village Academy, Atlantic High School, Boynton High School, Dwyer High School, Palm Beach Gardens High School, Pahokee High School, Glades Central High School, Forest Hill High School, South Florida Wellness Center, Riviera Beach Youth Empowerment Program, and the Police Athletic League. SFS is also partnering with the Steve Harvey Summer Mentoring Program in Atlanta, GA.

Swim Lesson vouchers available

April 1 marks “April Pools Day”—the beginning of swim season in Palm Beach County. With it, the Drowning Prevention Coalition of Palm Beach County will begin to offer vouchers for swim lessons at pools throughout the county. The vouchers are up to a $50 value and are good for six to eight swim lessons for children ages 2-12 whose families otherwise might not be able to afford the lessons.

The Drowning Prevention Coalition of Palm Beach County (DPC) is providing swim lessons to more children than ever because of Children’s Services Council’s financial commitment. A total of 2,376 children received swim lessons last summer through the DPC, up 15 percent from 2,055 in summer 2017. The number of children getting swim lessons through DPC has increased more than four-fold since Children’s Services Council began allocating money specifically for swim lessons in 2015.

DPC Manager Anna Stewart is continually seeking to refine the voucher program. This summer, there are two major changes:

- Swim lessons now will be available for 2-year-olds. Previously, the youngest a child could be to get a voucher was 3. The 2-year-old classes will require a parent or guardian to be in the water with the child.
- Residents of the Glades area will be able to bypass the application process and go directly to Pioneer Park Pool in Belle Glade to register for a session of lessons for their non-swimming children ages 2-12. If the child attends all lessons and doesn’t reach a certain level of swimming proficiency, the child can receive an additional free session. DPC made this change because the redemption rate of vouchers in the Glades area was lower than other areas in the county.

The DPC numbers show it is reaching children in the neediest areas of our county. Data shows:

- The top locations where vouchers were redeemed in 2018 were Barracuda Bay in Riviera Beach, Gaines Park in West Palm Beach and the YMCA of West Palm Beach. The zip codes of families with the most vouchers redeemed were 33404 (West Palm Beach/Riviera Beach), 33407 (West Palm Beach) and 33463 (Lake Worth/Greenacres).
- Of the 3,195 vouchers issued (but not necessarily redeemed), the self-reported income of 77 percent of the families (2,462) was under $30,000.
- More than 25 summer camps received swim lessons with almost all of those camps located in zip codes in east Boynton Beach, West Palm Beach, Riviera Beach, Belle Glade and Lake Park. Among the camps that got swim lessons were the Migrant Farmworker’s Children Camp, El Sol Summer camp and special needs students at the ARC.

The DPC recently gave water safety presentations at all 10 BRIDGES sites, offering families a first chance at receiving this summer’s vouchers. This marks the third year that vouchers became available early to BRIDGES families.
The Drowning Prevention Coalition wants the Council to know they are deeply appreciative of CSC’s commitment to water safety.

4th Annual Safe Kids Day event April 13

Council members are invited to Safe Kids Day at the Palm Beach Outlets on Saturday, April 13, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The signature event of Safe Kids Coalition of Palm Beach County is entering its fourth year at the Palm Beach Outlets, 1751 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard. Safe Kids Day highlights what parents can do to keep their children safe from preventable injuries — the number one killer of children in the United States. Like the previous years, Safe Kids will be distributing and fitting free bicycle helmets for children on a first-come, first-served basis. More than 30 other nonprofits and governmental agencies participated in last year’s event. Vendors still are being confirmed for this year’s Safe Kids Day.

Books for Children in Juvenile Court System

CSC helped provide books for a special audience, and was proud to work with a number of stakeholders on the project. We paid for about 275 books purchased by the West Palm Beach Library Foundation, which were sent to the Public Defender’s Office for distribution to court-involved children in the community. The project was in cooperation with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office, and the School District of Palm Beach County. The book event coincided with BAM, the Books Art & Music Festival at Mandel Library in West Palm Beach. Two well-known Young Adult authors, Elizabeth Acevedo and Nic Stone, met with the children at the Juvenile Detention Center and the children at the Main Jail and shared discussion of their stories. Additional books by a half-dozen other YA authors were raffled off to children at the juvenile detention center. Megan Eaton, chief of the Juvenile Division at the PD’s Office, said the event was “a smashing success!”

New Posters Target Premature Births

On the walls of the Ebbole Room are three new posters to promote healthy births by raising awareness of prematurity. We provided more than 40 copies of the posters to funded providers and community partners for display where their program participants gather. Credit for developing the information and data goes to Evaluation Officer Jeff Goodman, and Program Officers Christine Walsh and Elizabeth Clark.
**RFP to be released for new CSCPBC.org website**

An RFP will be released in April for the design and development of the Children’s Services Council’s website, CSCPBC.org. Since the creation of the site more than 10 years ago, technologies have improved drastically and new approaches to web design, including the widespread use of mobile devices, have changed the way people use and search for information. Additionally, with the launch of the EveryParentPBC.org site specifically designed for Palm Beach County families, the CSCPBC.org site can be refined to better tell the story of Children’s Services Council of Palm Beach County, its role in the community and that of its funded programs and services. Based on the current timeline we anticipate bringing the selected vendor’s contract to the Council at the June meeting.

**RFP Completed for Digital Media Placement**

CSC uses digital messaging, among other tools, to build awareness of Palm Beach County resources for families and how to access them, and to increase parent engagement with CSC programs and services. Earlier this year, an RFP was conducted for digital media placement and creative development to support such awareness. Ideabar, a Cox Media Group marketing & media agency, was selected through the RFP process. Per Council Resolution # 18-015 adopted August 2, 2018, a contract for $330,450 for one year of digital media placement has been executed. The contract crosses fiscal years, with approximately $140,000 allocated to the current year, included in today’s Warrants List, and the remainder in FY 2019-2020.

**In the Community**

Below is a list of events sponsored through Communications for the first two quarters of FY 2018-2019. Some are events sponsorships, while others applied for and received Healthy Safe & Strong Fund support. The list will be provided quarterly in the future.
EVENT SPONSORSHIP | HEALTH SAFE & STRONG FUND
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October 6, 2019 | Haitians & Friends United Against Breast Cancer Walkathon
October 10, 2019 | Walk Your Child to School Day
October 10, 2019 | Unicorn Children’s Foundation - Community Inclusion Award
October 13, 2019 | WPB GreenMarket
October 23, 2019 | Turn on the Light (Child Abuse)
October 27, 2019 | NAMI Walks
October 27, 2019 | Community Baby Shower, Belle Glade
November 10, 2019 | WPB GreenMarket
November 17, 2019 | Caridad Family Festival
November 17, 2019 | Community Wide Health and Wellness Festival, Belle Glade
December 7, 2019 | Tri-Cities Barbeque
December 15, 2019 | Family Fun Day, Wellington

EVENT SPONSORSHIP | HEALTH SAFE & STRONG FUND
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January 12, 2019 | WPB GreenMarket
January 18-Feb 3, 2019 | South Florida Fair
January 22, 2019 | Prime Time’s Resource Fair
January 29, 2019 | Pediatric Society Dinner
February 1, 2019 | PBC Library Grand Re-Opening
February 1-28, 2019 | Black History Month - PBC Library System
February 23, 2019 | Lynn University Family Fun
February 2, 2019 | Jupiter Jubilee
Feb 7-8, 2019 | Future of Medicine Summit
February 9, 2019 | WPB GreenMarket
February 9, 2019 | Norton Museum Grand Opening
February 9, 2019 | PBSC Family Fun Day
February 19-21, 2019 | Race to Equity Summit
February 21, 2019 | Riviera Beach Playground Project Design Day
February 23, 2019 | Palm Beach Gardens Health & Wellness Day
Feb 26-28, 2019 | Hispanic Human Resources Info-Fair
March 2, 2019 | Lake Worth West Family Festival
March 2, 2019 | Outdoor Adventure Day, PBC Parks & Rec
March 2, 2019 | Glades Festival of Afro Arts
March 9, 2019 | WPB GreenMarket
March 10, 2019 | Guardian Ad Litem’s Storybook Village
March 14, 2019 | Engaging Brains: Community Brain Trust Internship Fair
March 16, 2019 | I Love Pahokee Day
March 27, 2019 | ELC Dave Lawrence Book Event
March 30, 2019 | City of Jupiter Touch a Truck

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**Reminders**

**Groundwater Analysis**
April 4, 2019
1:00 – 6:00 pm
School District, Thurber A&B
3300 Forest Hill Blvd.
West Palm Beach, FL

**Birth to 22 Business Event**
April 12, 2019
8:00 am
Marriott West Palm Beach