

CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 27, 2022 ~ 3:00 PM

AGENDA

MISSION: The Children's Board invests in partnerships and quality programs to support the success of all children and families in Hillsborough County.

CONFERENCE CALL

Conference Line: 1-813-515-8094
Access Code: 479 204 397#

CALL TO ORDER

Attendance Verification
Quorum Verification
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

A. Mayts
K. Austin
A. Mayts
A. Mayts

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Children's Board of Hillsborough County welcomes comments from the public. Those who wish to address the Board may do so at this time. Those addressing the Board should state their full name and affiliation for the official record. In the interest of time, we ask that one person be designated to speak on behalf of a constituency and that all comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

A. Mayts

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISCLOSURE

K. Parris

PROVIDER PRESENTATIONS

Provider Presentation Hold for Lutheran Services Florida

M. Negron
J. Day/ L. Beckford

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval:** September 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. **Approval:** September 21, 2022 Final TRIM Hearing Minutes
3. **Approval:** Executive Director Contract Extension
4. **Approval:** Release for 2023 Summer Services Leading Grants
5. **Approval:** Release for Enhanced After-School Programs

A. Mayts
A. Mayts
D. Adams
M. Negron
G. Stewart

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Executive Director Reports
 - A. Activities – September 22, 2022 – October 27, 2022
 - B. Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County
2. Programs Reports
3. Human Resources Report
 - Quarter 4 Strategic Plan Report
 - Introduction of Ivonne Llorens

K. Parris

M. Negron
J. Houser

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

ATTACHMENTS

1. Contract Signature Logs (ASO, Programs, Vendors)
2. FY2022 Summer Services Report
3. Good News!
4. Outreach Events Calendar

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

November

Board Executive/Finance Committee	November 3, 2022	12:00 PM
Regular Board Meeting	November 17, 2022	3:00 PM

December - NO MEETINGS

January

Board Executive/Finance Committee	January 12, 2023	12:00 PM
Regular Board Meeting	January 26, 2023	3:00 PM

February

Board Executive/Finance Committee	February 09, 2023	12:00 PM
Regular Board Meeting	February 23, 2023	3:00 PM

March

Board Executive/Finance Committee	March 09, 2023	12:00 PM
Regular Board Meeting	March 23, 2023	3:00 PM

CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 21, 2022 ~ 3:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

Subject	Regular Board Meeting	Date	September 21, 2022
Facilitator	Andy Mayts, Chair	Meeting Time	3:00 PM
Location	Conference Call: 1-813-515-8094 Access Code: 479 204 397# 1002 East Palm Ave. Tampa, FL 33605	Actual Meeting Time	3:02 PM – 4:00 PM
		Adjourned	4:00 PM
Board Member Attendance	Andy Mayts, Chair Robin DeLaVergne, Vice-Chair Beth Pasek, Secretary/Treasurer - absent	Megan Proulx Dempsey Gwen Myers Lynn Gray Sarah Naumowich	Addison Davis - absent Katherine Essrig Ed Narain Chris Letsos
Other Attendees	Kelley Parris, Executive Director David Adams, CBHC Board Attorney Kristina Austin, Recorder Paula Scott, CBHC Staff	Maria Negron, CBHC Staff Jan Houser, CBHC Staff Tonia Williams, CBHC Staff-absent	Jamie Robe, CBHC Staff Genet Stewart, CBHC Staff Rebecca Bacon, CBHC Staff Dexter Lewis, CBHC Staff

SUMMARY

No.	Topic	Highlights
I.	CALL TO ORDER	A. Mayts called the meeting to order at 3:02 PM.
	PUBLIC COMMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Mayts called for Board attendance verification. E. Narain led the Invocation. K. Essrig led the Pledge of Allegiance. A. Mayts called for Public Comment; there was none.
II.	ACTION ITEMS	
	1. 8-25-2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes	A. Mayts requested approval of the August 25, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes.
	Motion (1)	<i>Motion by Ed Narain to approve the August 25, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes; second by Robin DeLaVergne. Motion carried (9-0).</i>
	2. 9-7-2022 Preliminary TRIM Hearing Minutes	A. Mayts requested approval of the September 7, 2022 Preliminary TRIM Hearing Minutes.
	Motion (2)	<i>Motion by Sarah Naumowich to approve the September 7, 2022 Preliminary TRIM Hearing minutes; second by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (9-0).</i>

SUMMARY CONT.

<p>3. Approval to Authorize Payment of Leases in North Tampa & South County Family Resource Centers</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion (3)</p>	<p>P. Scott requested approval to authorize the lease payments for the Children's Board Family Resource Center in North Tampa, located at 116 West Fletcher Avenue, Tampa, FL 33612, and the Children's Board Family Resource Center in South County located at 3030 East College Avenue, Ruskin, FL 33570.</p> <p><i>Motion by Lynn Gray to approve to authorize payment of leases in North Tampa & South County Family Resource Centers; second by Katherine Essrig. Motion carried (9-0).</i></p>
<p>4. Approval of Contract with Hillsborough County BOCC</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion (4)</p>	<p>J. Robe requested approval of contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for the administration of IT services for the Children's Board of Hillsborough County.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Allocation not to exceed \$83,160; • Funding would span October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. <p><i>Motion by Megan Proulx Dempsey to approve the Contract with Hillsborough County BOCC; second by Sarah Naumowich; abstention by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (8-0).</i></p>
<p>5. Approval of Contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Domestic Violence Funds</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion (5)</p>	<p>R. Bacon requested approval of contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Domestic Violence Funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Allocation not to exceed \$100,000. • Funding would span October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023; • Contract allows Administrative Services Organization (ASO) to administer Domestic Violence funds for the Hillsborough County BOCC. <p><i>Motion by Ed Narain to approve the contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Domestic Violence Funds; second by Lynn Gray; abstention by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (8-0).</i></p>
<p>6. Approval of Contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Social Services Funds</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion (6)</p>	<p>R. Bacon requested approval of contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Social Services Funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Allocation not to exceed \$300,000. • Funding would span October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023; • Contract allows Administrative Services Organization (ASO) to administer Social Services funds for the Hillsborough County BOCC. <p><i>Motion by Megan Dempsey to approve the contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Social Services Funds; second by Ed Narain; abstention by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (8-0).</i></p>
<p>7. Approval to Release the 2023 Swim Uniting Grants</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion (7)</p>	<p>M. Negrón requested approval to release a Request for Proposals (RFPs) for the 2023 Swim Uniting Grants in October 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total allocation not to exceed \$500,000; • Grants will support swim lessons, water safety education, and lifeguard training to address the Children's Board focus area of Healthy and Safe • Contract start dates will begin in FY2023. <p><i>Motion by Katherine Essrig to approve the Release of an RFP for the 2023 Swim Uniting Grants; second by Sarah Naumowich. Motion carried (9-0).</i></p>

SUMMARY CONT.

III.	PROVIDER PRESENTATION	<p>M. Negrón introduced Jordan McKenzie and Mike Jacobs from the Tampa Bay Lightning Foundation.</p> <p>J. McKenzie provided the following information regarding the Lightning's Summer program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The summer program hosted thirty (30) campers in two (2) different weeks; • The age range of the campers spanned from elementary school to middle school; • Seventy (70)% of children attended each day; • Campers participated in a variety of activities including ball hockey scrimmage, team building activities, kickball, and ice skating; • All campers received lunch and snacks as part of their daily camp routine.
IV.	REPORTS	
	1. Executive Director Reports	<p>K. Parris reported attending (20) significant meetings between August 26, 2022–September 21, 2022.</p> <p>The following updates were provided by K. Parris:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Alliance is considering the implementation of a committee structure to create actionable steps to take from information gathered from the Community; • The Committee will identify successes, gaps in service, and the needs of the Community; • Kalen Graham, Community Alliance Coordinator is taking all information gathered from meetings to incorporate into an actionable plan.
	2. Programs Report	M. Negrón provided brief updates on funding releases and the Part (II) Results and Recommendations for FY 2023.
	3. Finance Report	T. Williams reviewed the August 2022 Financial Statements.
	4. Public Relations Report	D. Lewis provided a detailed report regarding Public Relations and Outreach efforts.
V.	ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM

MOTIONS

1.	<i>Motion by Ed Narain to approve the August 25, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes; second by Robin DeLaVergne. Motion carried (9-0).</i>
2.	<i>Motion by Sarah Naumowich to approve the September 7, 2022 Preliminary TRIM Hearing minutes; second by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (9-0).</i>
3.	<i>Motion by Lynn Gray to approve to authorize payment of leases in North Tampa & South County Family Resource Centers; second by Katherine Essrig. Motion carried (9-0).</i>
4.	<i>Motion by Megan Proulx Dempsey to approve the Contract with Hillsborough County BOCC; second by Sarah Naumowich; abstention by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (8-0).</i>
5.	<i>Motion by Ed Narain to approve the contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Domestic Violence Funds; second by Lynn Gray; abstention by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (8-0).</i>
6.	<i>Motion by Megan Dempsey to approve the contract with Hillsborough County BOCC for Social Services Funds; second by Ed Narain; abstention by Gwen Myers. Motion carried (8-0).</i>
7.	<i>Motion by Katherine Essrig to approve the Release of an RFP for the 2023 Swim Uniting Grants; second by Sarah Naumowich. Motion carried (9-0).</i>

READ AND APPROVED BY:

ANDREW MAYTS
BOARD CHAIR

CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

FINAL PUBLIC HEARING (TRIM)

SEPTEMBER 21, 2022 AT 5:01 P.M.

Subject	Final Public Hearing (TRIM)	Date	September 21, 2022
Facilitator	Andy Mayts, Chair	Meeting Time	5:01 PM to 5:06 PM
Location	Children's Board of Hillsborough County 1002 East Palm Avenue Tampa, Florida 33605	Adjourned	The meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM
Board Member Attendees	Andy Mayts, Chair Robin DeLaVergne, Vice Chair Beth Pasek, Secretary/Treasurer-absent Chris Letsos	Megan Proulx Dempsey Katherine Essrig Ed Narain	Gwen Myer Sarah Naumowich Lynn Gray – absent Addison Davis - absent
Other Attendees	Kelley Parris, <i>Executive Director</i> David Adams., <i>Board Attorney</i> Kristina Austin, Recorder	Maria Negron Paula Scott Genet Stewart Dexter Lewis	Tonia Williams Jamie Robe Rebecca Bacon Jan Houser

SUMMARY

No.	Topic	Highlights
I	CALL TO ORDER Quorum Verification	Andy Mayts, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM. A quorum was established with (8) eight Board members present.
II.	BOARD DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Mr. Mayts stated an operating millage rate of .4589 has been recommended, which is greater than the rolled-back rate of .4113 mills by 11.57%; (2) This increase over the rolled-back rate is necessary in order to ensure Hillsborough County children (1) are healthy and safe, (2) are developmentally on track, (3) are ready to learn and succeed, and (4) have family support; (3) In order to accomplish those outcomes in FY 2022 – 2023, the recommended budget includes \$12,825,000 of new unallocated program funding; (4) Without an increase over the rolled-back millage rate, some of these new funding opportunities would not be possible, and the children of Hillsborough County would not be well served.
III.	PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION	<p>A. Mayts requested D. Adams to verbally review the resolutions.</p> <p>D. Adams stated for the record:</p> <p>Two resolutions are to be considered; one to adopt the millage rate and the other to adopt the budget, both by separate votes.</p> <p>D. Adams read Resolution Number 22/23-03; Resolution Adopting Final Millage Rate.</p> <p>D. Adams read Resolution Number 22/23-04; Resolution Adopting Final Budget.</p>
IV.	PUBLIC COMMENT	<p>A. Mayts opened the floor for Public Comment.</p> <p>No one offered Public Comment.</p>

V.	BOARD VOTE	D. Adams advised that the Motion (A) on the agenda is in order.
	<p>Motion A (Millage Rate)</p> <p>A. IT IS MOVED THAT THE CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO OR ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN, ADOPT A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF .4589 WHICH IS GREATER THAN THE ROLLED-BACK RATE OF .4113 MILLS BY 11.57% AND ADOPT THE ATTACHED MILLAGE RATE RESOLUTION NUMBER 22/23-03.</p> <p>D. Adams advised that the Motion (B) on the Agenda is in order.</p> <p>Motion B (Budget)</p> <p>B. IT IS MOVED THAT THE CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO OR ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN ADOPT A TENTATIVE BUDGET OF \$66,510,314 AND ADOPT THE ATTACHED BUDGET RESOLUTION NUMBER 22/23-04.</p>	
	<p>Motion A</p> <p><i>Motion by Megan Proulx Dempsey that the Children's Board of Hillsborough County, in order to provide services to or on behalf of children, adopt a final millage rate of .4589 which is greater than the rolled-back rate of .4113 mills by 11.57% and adopt the attached millage rate resolution number 22/23-03; second by Gwen Myers. No discussion; motion carried (7-0) with an Abstention by Katherine Essrig.</i></p> <p>Motion B</p> <p><i>Motion by Ed Narain that the Children's Board of Hillsborough County, in order to provide services to or on behalf of children adopt a final budget of \$66,510,314 and adopt the attached budget resolution number 22/23-04; second by Sarah Naumowich. No discussion; motion carried by unanimous vote (8-0).</i></p>	
VI.	ADJOURNMENT	No further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM.

MOTIONS

A.	<i>Motion by Megan Proulx Dempsey that the Children's Board of Hillsborough County, in order to provide services to or on behalf of children, adopt a final millage rate of .4589 which is greater than the rolled-back rate of .4113 mills by 11.57% and adopt the attached millage rate resolution number 22/23-03; second by Gwen Myers. No discussion; motion carried (7-0) with an Abstention by Katherine Essrig.</i>
B.	<i>Motion by Ed Narain that the Children's Board of Hillsborough County, in order to provide services to or on behalf of children adopt a final budget of \$66,510,314 and adopt the attached budget resolution number 22/23-04; second by Sarah Naumowich. No discussion; motion carried by unanimous vote (8-0).</i>

READ AND APPROVED BY:

Andy Mayts, Chair

ACTION ITEM NO. 3

Approval of Contract Extension

Initiator: David Adams, Board Attorney

Action: Approval of Executive Director Contract Extension

Date: Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, October 27, 2022

Recommended Actions

Recommend that the Board approves the extension of the Executive Director's contract through September 30, 2023.

Background

- The Executive Director has a rolling three year contract that is traditionally renewed each year by the Board, based on a successful Performance Appraisal Process.
- The Children's Board Attorney oversees the Executive Director Performance Appraisal Process.
- On August 22, 2022, the Executive Director completed a Self-Evaluation for fiscal year 2021-2022.
- The Executive Director's Self-Evaluation was provided to each member of the Board along with a blank Performance Appraisal Evaluation Form.
- Board members returned their individual Performance Appraisal Evaluation Forms to Jan Houser, who compiled the results of the Performance Appraisal Process.
- The results were distributed to the Board in advance of the Board Meeting.
- The recommendation to extend the Executive Director's contract to September 30, 2023 is based on the satisfactory performance of the Executive Director in FY 2021-2022 and the recommendation of the Board Attorney after polling members of the Executive Committee.

Approval of Release for 2023 Summer Services Leading Grants

Initiator: Maria Negrón, Director of Programs

Action: Approval of release for 2023 Summer Services Leading Grants

Date: Regular Board Meeting, Thursday, October 27, 2022

Recommended Actions

Recommend release in January 2023 of a Request for Proposals for time-limited 2023 Summer Services Leading Grants with a total allocation up to \$500,000 in collaboration with Board of County Commissioners to increase youth access to high quality summer programming.

Background

- The Children's Board has released summer services grants since 2015.
- The 2022 Summer Services Report was included in the October 2022 Board Book.
- The Board of County Commissioners have renewed their collaboration with the Children's Board and will contribute \$250,000. The Children's Board will serve as the managing entity for all funding and grants awarded.
- The intent is to award multiple two-year Leading Grants to existing Hillsborough County summer programs. Upon successful contract compliance, programs will receive funding in FY 2024 without having to re-apply.

Approval of Release for ONEhillsborough Enhanced After-school Programs

Initiator: Genet Stewart, Director of Strategic Initiatives

Action: Approval of Release for Enhanced After-school Programs

Date: Regular Board Meeting, Thursday, October 27, 2022

Recommended Actions

Recommend release in October 2022 of an Intent to Negotiate with total allocation up to \$425,000 for enhanced programming in select after-school and summer programs within the ONEhillsborough zip codes: 33603, 33610, and 33619.

Background

- ONEhillsborough is a community-driven initiative structured around the Social Determinants of Health (SDOH). It is designed to implement tailored, holistic, and meaningful solutions to address long-term systemic issues and disparities that predominantly Black and Brown communities face within our county.
- The overarching goals are to ensure children reside in economically stable households, engaging learning environments, access to preventative healthcare and healthy living, safe neighborhoods with health amenities, and easy access to supportive resources.
- Hillsborough County Public Schools Out-of-School Time (HOST), Hillsborough County Parks & Recreation and City of Tampa Parks & Recreation identified afterschool and summer school sites within the ONEhillsborough zip codes that would benefit from enhanced programming.
- The enhancements to be provided are as follows:
 - STEM, Fitness/Health and Music at Grant Park, Jackson Heights, and Wellswood City of Tampa Parks & Recreation programs.
 - STEM, Fitness/Health and Music at Emmanuel P. Johnson and Kenly County Parks & Recreation programs.
 - STEM, Character Development, and Fitness/Health at the HOST afterschool programs at Mendenhall Elementary, Robles Elementary, Broward Elementary, Edison Elementary and Palm River Elementary Schools.

Children's Board of Hillsborough County**Executive Director Report****September 22, 2022 – October 27, 2022****31 Meetings**

ELCHC Governance Committee
CALM
Florida Philanthropic Network Hurricane Response meeting
Pete Edwards
Leadership Council meeting
Gene Earley
Kalen Graham
Daffany Browning Brunson
Linda Marchelli
APHSa Peer Learning Webinar
FEC
Harry Hedges
FACCT
CSC Leon County
Ashley McPhie
Love Inc. of Metro Tampa's Semi-Annual Breakfast
Community Alliance
Community Alliance Executive Committee
Leadership Tampa Bay
QEEs- MacDill Child Care Centers
Safe Sleep Proclamation – BOCC
Cornerstone Kids
Junior League Tampa Meeting
Leadership Hillsborough
Foster Parent Roundtable Meeting
FACCT
ELCHC Board of Directors Meeting
Children's Network of Hillsborough County
QEEs Townhall
CBHC Provider Forum
Charles Davis



OPERATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN

FY 2022

Q4 REPORT

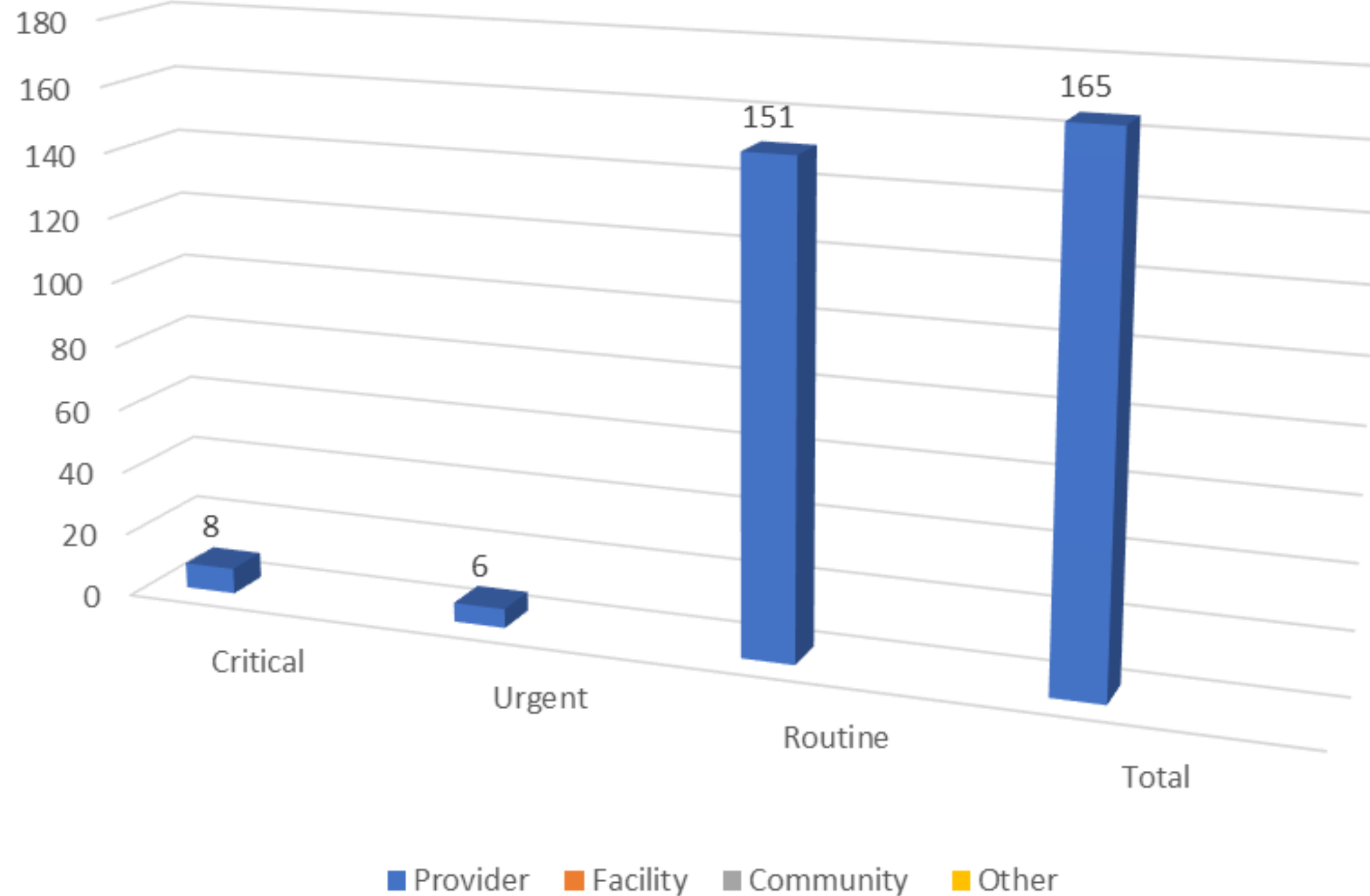
PROGRAMS

Highlights

- FY 2023
 - 46 of 61 Contracts completed by October 1st;
- Completed an impactful Annual Report in collaboration with all CBHC departments
- Summer Programming
 - 11 Summer Services Grants
 - 8 Passport Grants
 - 9 participating organizations at 11 locations
- Contract Development and Budget Training for FY2023 Leading and Uniting Grantees
 - 84 attendees
 - Overall satisfaction rating of 4.1 / 5

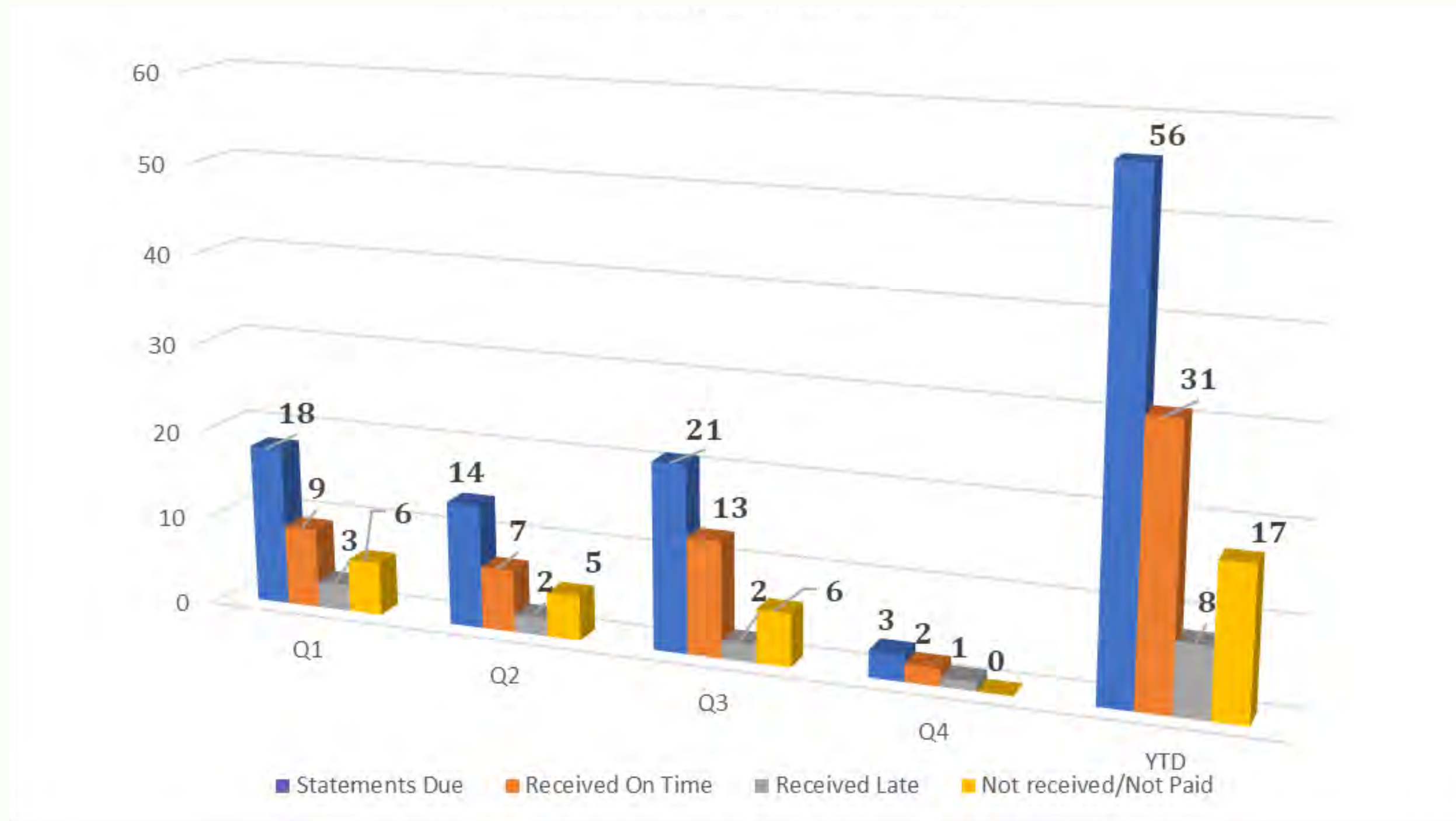
PROGRAMS

Incident Reports



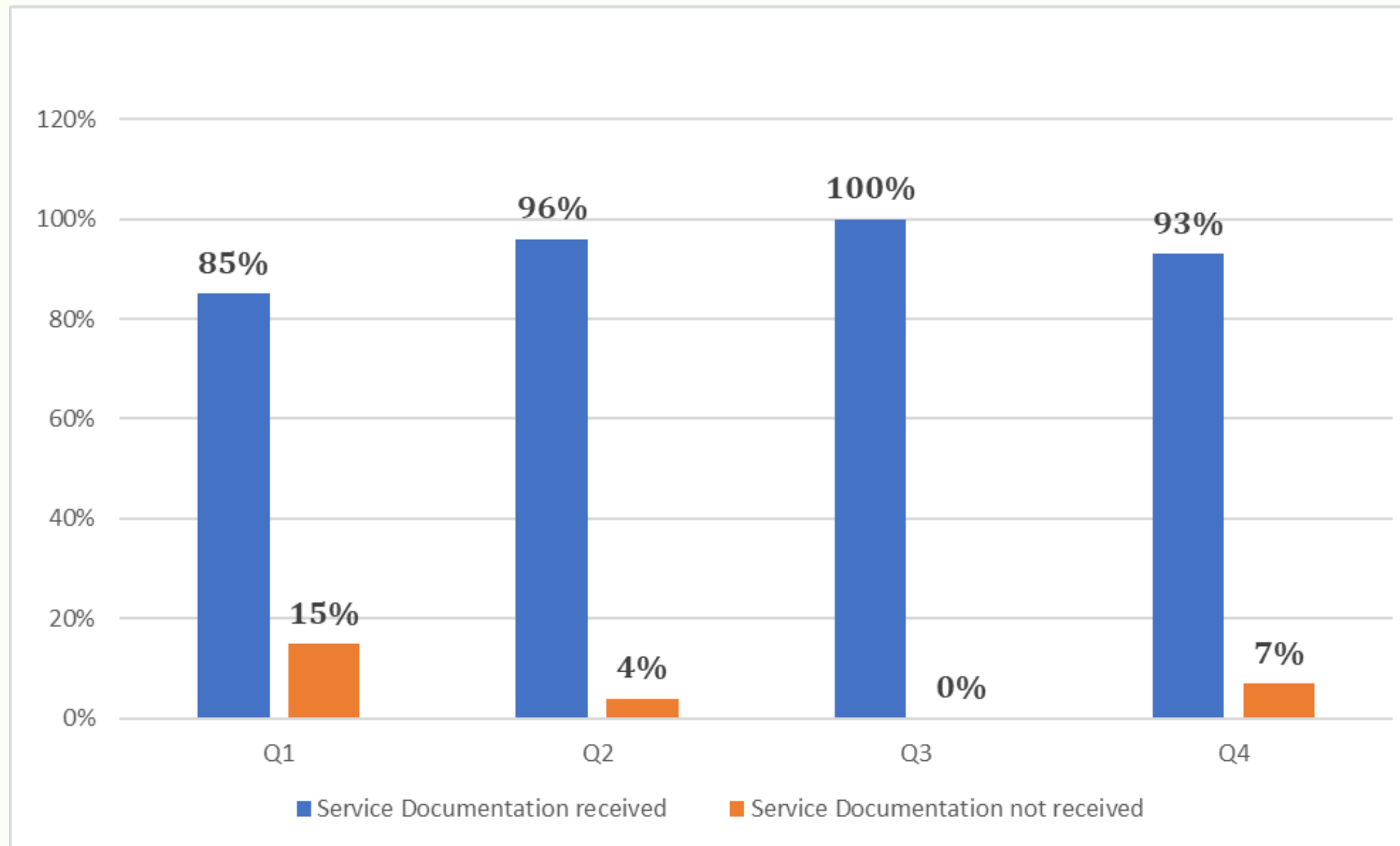
FINANCE

Provider Financial Statements



ASO

Verified Service Documentation



ASO

Highlights

- 1,293 service budgets were processed and 835 families were served
 - 228 budgets to provide emergency shelter for 66 families
 - 121 budgets for rental assistance to stabilize housing for 106 families
 - 65 budgets for first month's rent and deposits to safely re-house 44 families
- 2,185 payments issued
 - 430 (20%) were emergency payments issued to meet urgent family needs

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Highlights

- Participated in 19 Community Outreach Events
 - South Shore Chamber Homeless and At Risk Community
 - Metropolitan Ministries Safe Baby Summer Circus
 - Children's Board Free Tuesdays
 - Several Back to School events
- Developed and Produced 3 videos targeting Infant Safe Sleep Awareness
- 8 Child Safety Campaign paid media opportunities
 - 1,700 website page views - increase of 71% from Quarter 3
- 13 earned media opportunities that focused on highlighting our funded agencies
- 72,000 visitors to the Children's Board website
 - 7,100 new visitors

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Highlights

Microsoft Azure

- A platform which will increase performance and ensure reliability of mission critical system including CATS, ASO, STAR, ANTS and websites.
- The team completed extensive technical research and planning for this strategic move with the set up and migration planned for early in FY2023.

Preparation for Remote Work

- Coordinated an agency-wide effort to configure and test laptops and remote systems to help continue to develop technology to keep our organization operating in the event of future disaster situations.

ONEHillsborough Highlights

- Partnership with Hillsborough County's Strategic Infrastructure Planning Division on the 20 minute initiative. This initiative is being piloted in Palm River and its goal is to create a community in which residents can bike or walk safely to work, school, grocery store, etc within 20 minutes.
- Collaboration with the Hillsborough County Public School Staff on the development of trauma-informed care in Frost Elementary and Giunta Middle schools.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Highlights

- Completed all updates to organization's policies and procedures
- Maintained 98% On-Time completion rate for performance evaluations
- Completed recruitment for the Event Coordinator and Procurement and Quality Coordinator positions

Contract Signature Log
ASO ONLY
FY 2023

Entity/Agency	Contract Type	Brief Description	Contract Period	Contract Amount	Board Approved	Signed By	Date Signed
Sin-Cera, Inc.	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	\$35,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
Sin-Cera, Inc.	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
Hillsborough County Public Schools School Social Work Services	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (CBHC)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
Hillsborough County Public Schools School Social Work Services	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
University of South Florida Bay Area Early Steps	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (CBHC)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
The Spring of Tampa Bay, Inc.	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC DV)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
The Spring of Tampa Bay, Inc.	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
Champions for Children (Healthy Families)	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
The Children's Home Inc. dba Children's Home Network	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
The Family Enrichment Center	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022

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Hispanic Services Council	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
Metropolitan Ministries (First Hug)	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
Positive Spin, Inc.	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	9/20/2022
Pace Center for Girls	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	\$12,000.00	No	Paula Scott	9/23/2022
Just Initiative	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/1/2022-9/30/2023	\$5,000.00	No	Paula Scott	9/26/2022
Success 4 Kids & Families	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/3/2022-9/30/2023	\$35,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/7/2022
Success 4 Kids & Families	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/3/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
Sylvia Thomas Center	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/3/2022-9/30/2023	\$12,500.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
ECHO of Brandon	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/4/2022-9/30/2023	\$15,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
Champions for Children (P3)	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/4/2022-9/30/2023	\$4,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
Mary & Martha House	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/4/2022-9/30/2023	\$15,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022

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Mary & Martha House	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/4/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
Catholic Charities	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/6/2022-9/30/2023	\$35,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022
Healthy Minds Wellness Group, PLLC [Paola Kasenetz]	ASO Provider	Therapy	10/6/22-ongoing	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022
Healthy Minds Wellness Group, PLLC [Paola Kasenetz]	Agreement	Business Associate Agreement	10/6/22-ongoing	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022
Janine Battaglia dba Flourish Tutoring Inc.	ASO Provider	Tutor	10/6/22-ongoing	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022
UACDC	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/10/2022-9/30/2023	\$25,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/11/2022
UACDC	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/10/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/11/2022
Housing Authority of the City of Tampa Florida	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/11/2022-9/30/2023	\$5,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/12/2022
Family Promise of Hillsborough County	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/13/2022-9/30/2023	TBD	No	Kelley Parris	10/14/2022
Family Promise of Hillsborough County	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds (BOCC Social Services Funds)	10/13/2022-9/30/2023	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/14/2022
New Life Village	MOU	MOU for allocation of ASO funds	10/13/2022-9/30/2023	TBD	No	Kelley Parris	10/14/2022

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Christene Lee Gerardi	ASO Provider	Tutor	10/17/22-ongoing	Varies	No	Kelley Parris	10/18/2022

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BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.	Uniting	1-to-1 Mentoring Elementary	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	272,500	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.	Uniting	1-to-1 Mentoring Middle	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	272,500	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.	Uniting	After-Zone Elementary School Initiative	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	53,191	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.	Uniting	After-Zone Middle School Initiative	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	545,000	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.	Uniting	Brandon Art Masters! (BAM!)	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	87,514	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
FAMILY ENRICHMENT CENTER, INC.	Uniting	Kinship Care	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	393,066	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
FAMILY HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION	Uniting	Connecting Kids to CARE	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	243,076	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
HEALTHY START COALITION OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, INC.	Investment Grant	Healthy Steps Hillsborough	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	695,809	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION, INC.	Investment Grant	Quality Early Education System	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	2,519,870	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
HILLSBOROUGH EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.	Uniting	Tech Connect	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	399,654	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF TAMPA	Leading	Building Family Financial Skills	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	92,310	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF TAMPA	Uniting	Village Link Up	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	318,942	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022

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JUST INITIATIVE, INC.	Leading	Woven Empowerment (WE) Program	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	92,906	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
MARY LEE'S HOUSE, INC.	Independent Contractor Agreement	Community Alliance Coordinator	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	92,711	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
METROPOLITAN MINISTRIES, INC.	Investment Grant	Homeless Family Early Intervention Program (First Hug)	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	1,393,214	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
POSITIVE SPIN, INC.	Investment Grant	Empowering A Community with Hope (EACH One)	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	830,937	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
REDEFINERS WORLD LANGUAGES, INC.	Uniting	Multilingual Citizens Program	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	503,372	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
SENIORS IN SERVICE OF TAMPA BAY, INC.	Leading	Readers in Motion	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	111,954	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
SUCCESS 4 KIDS AND FAMILIES, INC.	Uniting	Successful Families	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	518,379	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
TAMPA METROPOLITAN AREA YMCA, INC.	Uniting	Sulphur Springs YMCA Out of School Time Program	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	314,882	Yes	Kelley Parris	9/21/2022
THE CHILDREN'S HOME, INC.	Uniting	Kinship Hillsborough	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	545,000	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, INC.	Uniting	Inclusion Support Services	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	501,287	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022

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EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, INC.	Investment Grant	Community Developmental Screening	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	684,207	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
DAWNING FAMILY SERVICES, INC.	Uniting	Housing for Success	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	244,267	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
DAWNING FAMILY SERVICES, INC.	Uniting	A Path to Prevention	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	322,373	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
METROPOLITAN MINISTRIES, INC.	Uniting	Education, Arts & Therapeutic Experience (C.R.E.A.T.E.) School	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	543,448	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
PRESERVE VISION FLORIDA, INC.	Uniting	Children's Vision Health and Safety	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	354,546	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, INC.	Investment Grant	School Readiness Funding	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	755,770	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/4/2022
TAMPA HILLSBOROUGH HOMELESS INITIATIVE, INC.	Leading	UNITY Information Network	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	50,000	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/4/2022
HEALTHY START COALITION OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, INC.	Investment Grant	Safe Baby Plus	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$1,307,664	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
REACHUP, INC.	Investment Grant	GROWTH with Doulas and Dads	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$925,128	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/5/2022
ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, INC. D/B/A ST. JOSEPH'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL	Investment Grant	Mobile Health and Safety Education	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$1,041,795	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, INC. D/B/A ST. JOSEPH'S WOMEN'S HOSPITAL	Uniting	Supporting Motherhood and More	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$183,087	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022
HISPANIC SERVICES COUNCIL, INC.	Investment Grant	La Red de Padres Activos/The Network of Active Parents	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$1,036,151	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/7/2022
CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF TAMPA	Uniting	Learn & Play Tampa Bay	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$342,550	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/7/2022
CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF TAMPA	Leading	Pop Up Play at Plant City CBFRC	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$119,974	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/7/2022
LEARN TAMPA BAY, INC. D/B/A ACHIEVE TAMPA BAY	Uniting	Learning is Fun Together (LIFT)	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$297,300	Yes	Kelley Parris	10/10/2022

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Entity/Agency	Contract Type	Brief Description	Contract Period	Contract Amount	Board Approved	Signed By	Date Signed
Raintree	Vendor	Dues for term	10/1/22-12/31/22	\$3,542.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
Raintree	Vendor	Dues for term	1/1/23-9/30/23	\$16,875.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
PRIA Insurance Advisors	Vendor	Insurance Coverage	10/1/22-10/1/23	\$84,358.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/3/2022
Bennet, Jacobs & Adams	Vendor	Attorney Services	7/1/22-8/31/22	\$4,342.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/6/2022
Softchoice	Vendor	Azure Cloud Annual Usage		\$21,600.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/13/2022
Hivelocity	Vendor	HIPPA Compliance Server	10/1/22 - 10/1/23	\$11,579.40	No	Kelley Parris	10/13/2022
Issue Media Group, LLC	Vendor	Content for CBHC & OneHillsborough	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$15,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/19/2022
Media AMJ, LLC	Vendor	Tampa Bay Parenting Ads, Social Media & Video Segments	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$24,720.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/19/2022
Softchoice	Vendor	Migration	10/1/22 - 12/1/22	\$22,000.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/19/2022
Preferred Governmental Trust	Vendor	Workers Comp Insurance for FY 2023	10/1/22 - 9/30/23	\$10,190.00	No	Kelley Parris	10/19/2022

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SUMMER SERVICES



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SUMMER SERVICES

The Summer Services grant is a Children's Board initiative geared towards providing unique opportunities for Hillsborough county youth to participate in high-quality, enriching activities during the summer months. Each year, the Children's Board partners with the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners to fund enhanced summer services across Hillsborough County. Non-profit organizations working with youth ages 6 through 14 years of age are able to apply for funding to enhance their summer program with high quality programming through six content areas:



Safety



STEM



Character
Development



Literacy



Fitness /
Nutrition



Arts

The following organizations were awarded to enhance their programs:

9 out of 11 were renewed for a year 2 contract!

After- School All-Stars Tampa Bay - Woodson Summer

After- School All-Stars Tampa Bay - Memorial and Village of Excellence

Housing Authority of the City of Tampa - Summer Enrichment

Mount Zion AME of Riverview - Camp Good Trouble

Florida Education Fund - Gibsonton/Riverview

Florida Education Fund - Wimauma

Tampa Metropolitan YMCA - Teen Summer Experience

Bethesda Ministries - Upward Kids

ReDefiners World Languages - Summer Spanish Immersion

The Family Enrichment Center - STEAM-sational Summer

Tampa Heights Junior Civic Association - Summer Youth



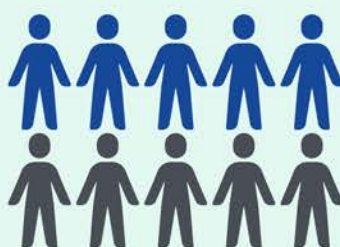
DEMOGRAPHICS

Summer Services funded programs served a total of 511 youth residing in Hillsborough County. More than half of the enrolled students this summer were in the 10-13 year age bracket, with a median participant age of 11 years. Program engagement was lower than rates reported for previous years, with 72% of all participating youth remaining engaged in the program for its duration.

72% Remained enrolled in the summer program

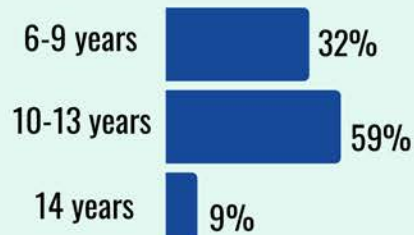
86% Eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch

Gender



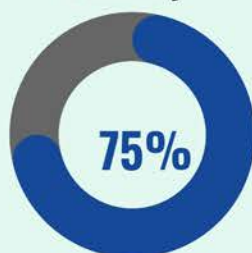
50% Female

Ages



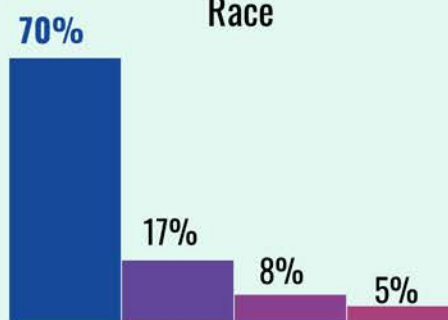
YOUTH

Ethnicity



Not Hispanic or Latino

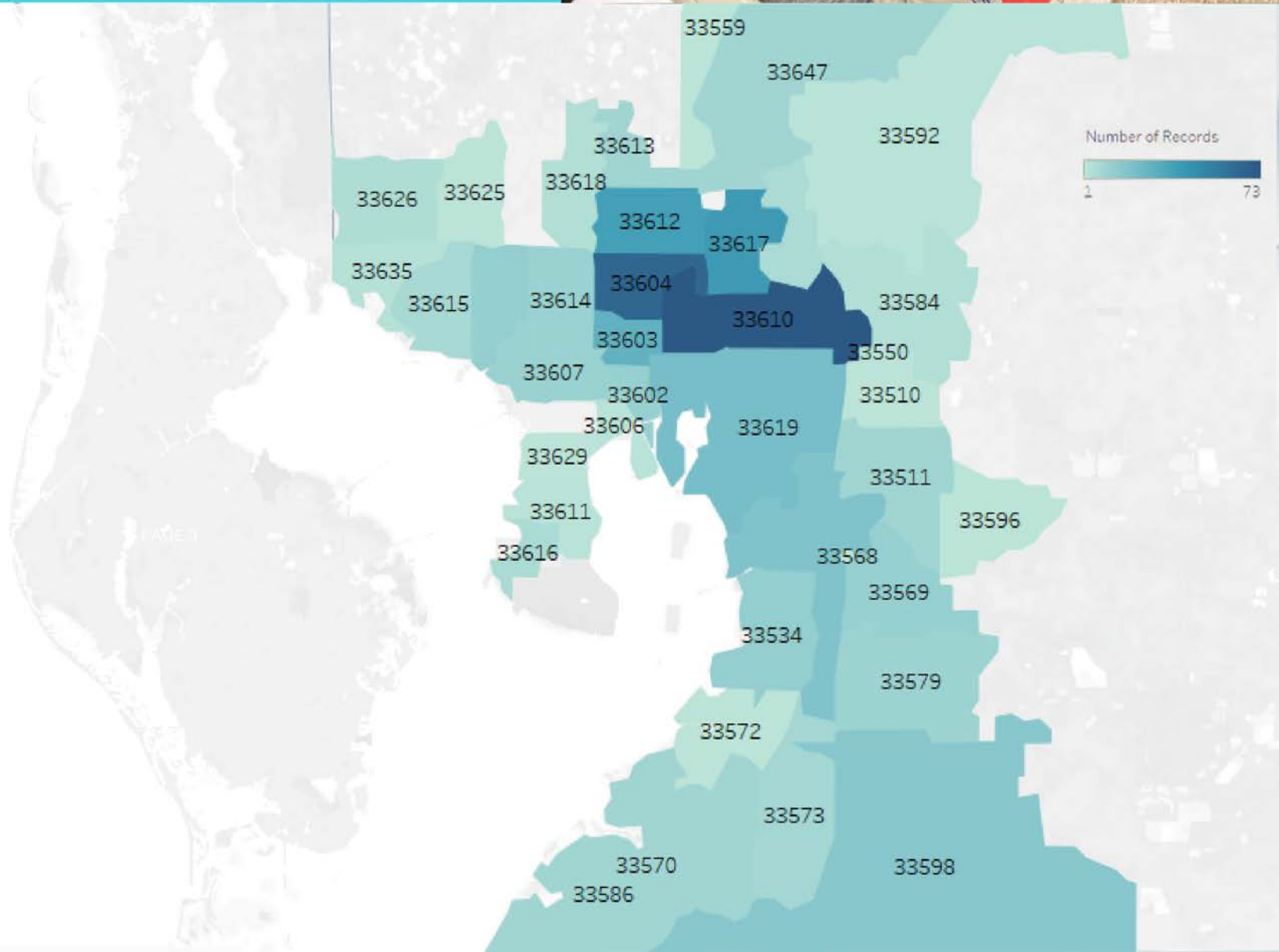
Race



70% Black or African American, 17% White, 8% Other and 5% Two or More Races

GEOGRAPHIC FOCUS

Participant zip code information was collected and reported for all youth attending the summer programs. The map illustrates that program participants resided in 41 Hillsborough County zip codes, with the greatest concentration of participants living in East Tampa, Temple Terrace, and Central Tampa (33610, 33604, 33617, and 33612).



SAFETY

Safety knowledge is paramount for having a fun and healthy summer. This year's summer services programs provided important safety activities and lessons to enhance youth's knowledge of water safety, life-saving measures, and firearms safety, among other essential topics.

This year's safety programming included youth receiving a combination of both water safety education and swimming lessons. As a result of these activities, **93% of participating youth demonstrated increases in their knowledge of safety practices.**

Summary of Activities

- Bike and pedestrian safety
- CPR and first aid lessons
- Fire safety classes
- Firearms safety
- Law enforcement education
- Water safety education
- Swimming lessons
- Social Media and Internet Safety
- Field trips to Fire Department, Tampa Fire Fighters Museum, and Water Works





STEM

The summer programs provided 433-hours of STEM programming with at least 78 hours dedicated to computer coding and robotics. This summer, participating youth gained hands-on industry knowledge by developing computer games, building cars and robots, while learning the math and physics principles needed to complete STEM projects and solve problems. In addition, the youth participated in multiple science labs, including fun specimen dissections, which gave an exciting twist to applying the scientific method in real life.

Summary of STEM Activities

- Reptile discovery presentations
- Gardening
- Robotics
- LEGO activities
- Science classes and labs
- Computer coding and programming
- Field trips to Florida Aquarium, Zoo Tampa, Glazer Children's Museum, Busch Gardens, Croc Encounters, and Hillsborough Community College Florida Advanced Technological Education Center



CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT



Summary of Activities

- Beautification and city planning projects
- Bucket drumming
- Career exploration
- Foreign language and culture
- Financial literacy classes
- Yoga and mindfulness
- Character discussions
- Field trips to HCC, Tampa Bay History Centers, Port of Tampa, and Glazer Children's Museum

Exposure to character-building activities is essential in promoting values that foster responsibility and ethical behavior in youth. The summer programs provided youth with opportunities to engage in value-based conversations about citizenship, self-esteem, effective communication, and healthy relationships to support their values and boost their confidence. Youth also received cultural enrichment lessons and foreign language instruction in French and Spanish that promoted cultural awareness and diversity appreciation. As a result of these enriching activities, **91% of youth demonstrated increased knowledge of positive social skills** by the end of the summer!



LITERACY

The summer programs reinforced literacy skills to prepare youth for the new school year. All programs had access to digital and hard-copy books which expanded opportunities based on each child's interests.



Summary of Activities

- Creative writing classes
- Reading and writing challenges
- Read alouds with Bess the Book Bus
- MyON reading
- Poetry
- Spanish instruction
- Journaling
- Field trips to HCC, USF, Historical Ybor, Columbia Restaurant and Robert Saunders Library

101 

Books read

101  Hours read

143  Journaling hours



FITNESS

The summer services fostered healthy habits by engaging participating youth in a myriad of fun and exciting activities that promoted healthy daily movement. As a result of these activities, the youth completed close to 400 hours of physical fitness and explored tasty and nutritious meal options that will surely fuel their journey to wellness.



362

**Youth completed hours
of Physical Activity!**

Summary of Activities

- Individualized fitness plans and assessments
- Group sports including football, basketball, badminton and baseball
- Group fitness classes
- Obstacle courses, conditioning and agility exercises
- Soccer Training
- Zumba fitness
- Nutrition and meal preparation
- Field trips to Pin Chasers, Zoo Tampa, Al Barnes Park and Al Lopez Park





THE ARTS

Summer art programming provides unique avenues for the youth to be creative and see the world through an artistic lens. This summer, the youth engaged in Art-enriching activities that fostered artistic expression and engagement through the exploration of both visual and performing arts.

As a result of these activities, **93% of the participating youth demonstrated their newly learned skills** by completing art projects and performing at end-of-summer celebrations.

Summary of Activities

- Sign language musicals
- African mask-making
- African drumming and dancing
- Colombian art exploration
- Digital graphic design
- Mixed media lessons
- Dance classes including Ballet, Modern, Hip Hop and Jazz
- Pottery painting
- Field trips to the historical Tampa Theatre behind the scenes tours and the Tampa Museum of Art.





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SUMMARY

The Summer Services grants provided increased access to quality summer programming to more than 500 children and youth living in Hillsborough County. Program activities in Safety, STEM, Character Development, Fitness, Literacy, and the Arts, fostered positive youth development while providing a safe and nurturing environment to belong to during the summer months. The positive results obtained as a result of these grants, further validate our commitment to continue to enhance the lives of all children and families of Hillsborough County.



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Good News

from our funded partners

**Regular Board Meeting
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Parents and Children Advance Together (PCAT) Literacy Ministries

Sulphur Springs Literacy Initiative

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

Features

After-School Literacy Initiative Makes A Difference In Reading Achievement

BY MONIQUE STAMPS
Sentinel Staff Writer

These days our children are fighting for their academic lives as the education gap between Black children and white children remains the same or has widened.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, Black students also scored lower on reading tests at every grade level studied between grades 1 and 12.

The Parents & Children Advance Together Literacy Ministries (PCAT) is working hard to bridge the gap by offering an after-school reading program. PCAT was founded in 2003 by **Christene Worley**. The program has been provided services in Ruskin and is back at Sulphur Springs K-8 this school year.

The current Executive Director, **Weclaige "GiGi" Moise**, emphasizes that the PCAT mission is a literacy initiative which serves students who are reading below grade level and are at risk of school failure.

"Reading is fundamental to all schoolwork and suc-



WECLAIGE "GIGI" MOISE
....Executive Director, PCAT
Family Literacy

cess in school. It affects math, history, and social studies. Everything is based on reading and reading comprehension. For children to be successful, they must be able to read and understand what they are reading."

Moise was born and raised in Miami and graduated from Florida Atlantic University. She has been on staff with PCAT since 2017, but initially worked with PCAT as a volunteer, reading to kindergarten students at Sulphur Springs.

Her deep love of reading serves as the background

for her devotion to ensure children in the community have the same opportunity to achieve their dreams through reading and comprehension skills.

"The success of our program stems from our ability to provide individualized reading plans for our students along with one-on-one instruction," states **Moise**.

Moise gives much credit to **Marc Gaillard**, principal at Sulphur Springs K-8 Community School, and **Emerson Morris** an educator and founder of Father's University. Father's University has provided services and resources for fathers of children in the program.

PCAT is provided at no cost to students.

The Sulphur Springs initiative is funded by The Children's Board of Hillsborough County and a generous gift from the **Kay Andrews** Education Foundation, while the Ruskin initiative is funded by The Children's Board of Hillsborough County, Community Foundation of Tampa Bay and Suncoast Credit Union as well as private donations received from the

supporters of PCAT.

Students are tutored by certified teachers, staff and volunteers who receive comprehensive training from our Education Director.

PCAT is currently recruiting Certified Teachers and Program Assistants. Visit their website at: <https://pcatliteracyministries.org> for more information.

"We would not be able to serve without the support of our Board of Directors, funders, volunteers, staff, and district staff at the schools where we provide programming. We are looking forward to serving students and parents in the Sulphur Springs community again," **Moise** says.

A SENTINEL BULLETIN PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY

Big Brother Big Sister of Tampa Bay

1-to-1 Comprehensive Mentoring



I wanted to share a bit about a match I had the pleasure of supporting for their first nine months. It's generally not difficult to spot a "friends for life" match as they form their bond! Big Sister Kristin and Little Sister Charlize were recently matched in December 2021. The Big Sister is an active and VERY busy mom with a family of her own with young children who participates in travel ball, musical instruments, and a numerous activities. So where did she find time for one more little one in her life? She makes the time! When this match opened, it was clear that big sister set her schedule to make time for Little Sister!

Not only does she carve out one-on-one time with her Little, the families got a chance

to meet at the Little Sister's play in which she was performing! Big Sister is also in tune with little sister Charlize's interests, such as playing the violin and being out in nature! She coordinates and collaborates with her little sister and parent to ensure their get togethers are fun and interesting to Charlize. The match also tries new things. For example, they attended the Big Brother Big Sister Skateboarding event, where big sister Kristin took a stab at riding a skateboard (GASP!). Upon speaking with Little Sister's mom Maria, I learned that she is ever so grateful to big sister Kristin as she states, "I am not outdoorsy, and my daughter is, so I appreciate that Charlize gets to share her love for the outdoors with her!"



Little Sister told me she is happy to have met Big Sister's daughters. She feels it helps her learn about her big as a person. Little Sister even requests they join the match for outings on occasion because they have common interests. Overall, all parties of this match are enjoying a beautiful bond and have voiced that they have a friendship that will grow way beyond the 15-month commitment they initially made!

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1-to-1 Comprehensive Mentoring



Little Brother Alexander and Big Sister Carmela have been matched for almost three years, and every time I talk to them, it seems like they have been matched for five-plus years. Carmela has shown the true significance of being a mentor. She goes above and beyond, so her little can flourish academically and socially.

Carmela has planned to meet with Alexander virtually every Wednesday, so they can discuss school and draw because he loves art. I love how

consistent and committed Big Sister Carmela is because this is in addition to having physical outings. Carmela is a huge part of Alexander's success in learning English. He is improving little by little, boosting his confidence by using the application Duolingo and the consistent help from his Big. When I first started communicating with the match, Carmela explained that her Little has only been in the United States for three years and the transition has been difficult; in addition, his parents only speak Spanish. Carmela relates to Alexander because she is also from another country and had to learn English when she started school, "This is a topic that hits home for me as well because I struggled to learn English myself and took years of ESL courses in elementary and middle school; it is not easy or fun," said Carmela. "I was born in New York, but my family is Hispanic, and Spanish was the primary language spoken at home."

The Big Sister Carmela does not only show little Alexander the importance of learning English, so he can succeed in school but also the importance of being bilingual, which is an asset for his future education and career. Carmela also helps Alexander with math because it is a difficult subject for him. The Big Sister finds ways to make math fun so that Little Alexander can grasp the concepts.

Carmela goes above and beyond to help Alexander succeed by giving him positive encouragement, guiding him with his goals, and celebrating his accomplishments. They are a great pair!

Seniors in Service

Readers in Motion



In Readers in Motion, we promote literacy skills and an enthusiasm to learn by connecting dedicated Education Advocates to mentor children during the school day in their classroom.

Emily, a Kindergartener at Oak Grove Elementary, often struggles to speak and use her words. She is smart but needs special support for her exceptional educational needs.

Thanks to the generous funding of the Children's Board of Hillsborough County, Education Advocate "Grandma" Conslee Cook is there for Emily in her classroom. Each day, Grandma Cook leads a story time with her students, where the students get to experience the joy of listening to books. Emily is particularly enthusiastic about storytime.

Just a month into the new school year, Emily's teacher and Grandma Cook have noticed a huge improvement in Emily's speech and interest in reading! Grandma Cook now works closely one-on-one with Emily each week to help her develop crucial reading skills and a love for learning.

Emily eagerly awaits her time to read with Grandma Cook. One day, Ms. Cook changed the regular reading time, and Emily picked out her own book and started muttering— her way of letting Grandma Cook know it was their reading time. Emily and Grandma Cook have created a special bond through a love of reading and learning through Readers in Motion. The classroom teacher is thrilled to have this extraordinary resource to support these fledgling readers. Emily's mother is happy about how much her daughter loves the storybooks, and she continues supporting Emily's academic efforts at home.

Readers in Motion Education Advocates support children in literacy, social, and emotional skills. We include parents (and siblings!) to engage them with learning. Finally, we support overwhelmed educators by creating space for students to get the support they need.

We are so proud of the marvelous relationship that flourishes between Emily and Grandma Cook.

Preserve Vision Florida

Children's Vision Health and Safety Services



Preserve Vision Florida was invited to the Beth El Farmworker Back-to-School Bash, where we provided free vision screenings and follow-up for children needing eye exams and glasses.

During the event, we also provided adult and child eye health and safety education sessions. These families learned how sunglasses protect children and adults from harmful UV rays that can cause vision damage, including cataracts!



Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

AfterZone Elementary School Initiative



The Just Elementary Boys & Girls Clubs attended the Bowling with the Bucs event on Monday, October 10th. Club members in grades K-5th who earned the field trip for displaying stellar behavior at school during Power Hour, Triple Play, and various club programs.

Before Bowling, the club members were invited to have lunch with the owner and his family at Walk On's - Tampa's newest restaurant in the Mid-Town district. Our club members selected their own menu items and tried beignets for the first time for dessert. Let's just say powdered sugar was everywhere on their smiling faces.

Upon arrival at Pin Chasers, our club members were greeted by their excited staff, eager to teach them how to bowl.

Devin White, Buccaneers Linebacker, surprised our members with toys, pizza, and more desserts. He answered their plethora of questions and encouraged the entire group to continue to be leaders at the club and school. Following the event, club members shared their appreciation to club staff, who learned that for many of them, this was their first time sitting to dine in a restaurant and bowling.



Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

AfterZone Elementary School Initiative

During the month of October, Boys & Girls Club members of De Soto Elementary celebrated, National Hispanic Heritage Month.

Our members learned about the many Spanish-speaking countries. We studied their traditional clothing and typical food dishes. Our K-2nd graders designed their own clothing and colored the flag of their assigned country. Our third through fifth graders researched a country of their choice, studied their typical food dishes, and gave step-by-step instruction on how to create the national dish.



Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

AfterZone Elementary School Initiative

The Boys & Girls Club at Marshall Middle Magnet School took on the task of cleaning the school after Hurricane Ian hit. The school was a shelter for those that needed it, but once school was back in, the Boys & Girls Club stepped up and helped clean all the debris and branches that fell. This was another way of giving back to the community and beautifying the school campus.



Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

AfterZone Elementary School Initiative

On October 10th, Tomlin Middle School Boys & Girls Club celebrated National Hispanic Heritage Month with a fiesta! Several local restaurants: Taco Rey, Mi Casa, and El Mirasol, donated Hispanic foods, which created quite a spread for a fabulous fiesta. The members made fruit mangonada smoothies and fruit tres leches cupcakes, played loteria and broke a piñata. With the traditional music, food, and games, it was an engaging and immersive cultural experience for our youth!

In preparation for the fiesta, members were tasked with creating a poster of their favorite Hispanic artist. The poster had to include a small paragraph stating why the artist was their favorite and images of the artist. The members were also tasked with painting their favorite Hispanic artist's national flag on canvases for display at the fiesta. Parents were given the opportunity to judge the posters on which was the most creative, and the top three won a prize.



Children's Home Network

Supporting and Empowering Educational and Developmental Services (SEEDS)



SEEDS would like to recognize a star student for his wonderful growth throughout services.

Daniel was referred to the SEEDS Program for academic needs. He was presenting challenges in the core subject area of reading and self-confidence. With SEEDS services and his mother's incredible support, Daniel was able to access educational services and has made great strides with his vocabulary, reading, and identifying sight words. Most of all, he experienced a change in his attitude about learning. Daniel is excelling in reading and is now producing his very own creative writing stories. He has gained the confidence to read books by himself and is completing academic tasks that were unreachable. Daniel has pledged not to stop until he learns what he needs to know. Daniel has a heart of gold and is very outspoken about his accomplishments and his love for God.

In a recent call to Daniel's mother to seek her feedback on services, she shared that she is truly grateful for the consistent support of her Family Support Coordinator, Ms. Gonzalez. She added that her son looks forward to learning and is more cognizant of word sounds. He is no longer intimidated to read and happily says: "I can read now!" She highlighted Daniel's positive accomplishments and also mentioned that the program has been great.

Daniel is pictured above with his new skateboard.

REACHUP, Inc.

Giving Resources and Opportunities with Trust and Hope (GROWTH) with Doulas and Dads



In recognition of 10+2 years of hosting the Affirming Fatherhood Conference (AFC), REACHUP, Inc. selected “Continuing the Legacy of Affirming Fatherhood” as the 2022 theme. Keynote speakers for this hybrid Conference held September 15th-16th included Kevin “KB” Burgess, 2021 Dove Award Winner, Rap/Hip-Hop Album of the Year, 2022 Nominee for Song of the Year, and Dr. Kevin B. Sneed, Senior Associate Vice President, University of South Florida (USF) Health; Professor and Founding Dean, USF Health Taneja College of Pharmacy.

KB concentrated on the father’s role in the healthy development of boys at high risk for suicide, alcohol and drug abuse, violence, and loneliness. A follow-up panel delved more deeply into the issues. Dr. Sneed centered his presentation on the pandemic realities and the structural and personal commitment needed to prevent and manage chronic disease in combating disparities in severe disease and death.

Additional plenary sessions included a fatherhood study conducted in Dakar, Senegal, West Africa, and a historical overview of REACHUP’s impact on fatherhood programs, locally, statewide, and nationally as well as on fashion and style for men and women. The Conference was rounded out by breakout sessions on men’s mental health, fathers and finances, toxic forms of masculinities, adverse childhood experiences, and addiction and recovery.

Other highlights of the Conference included the induction of three fathers – Geoff Blair, Clarence Atkins, and Rev. Miguel Maysonet – into the Affirming Fatherhood Conference Hall of Fame. A presentation of the inaugural Legacy Awards to four community members, including the Children’s Board’s own board member, Edwin “Ed” Narain, Evangeline Best, Dr. Ronee Wilson, and Dr. Adewale Troutman (posthumously). Lastly, a \$50,000 check was presented to REACHUP, Inc. from Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc., to support a partnership in enhancing father engagement in Tampa and throughout Hillsborough County, FL. The AFC is sponsored in part by the Children’s Board.





Outreach Events Calendar

The Children's Board will have a presence at the following community events. Contact Dexter Lewis, Director of Public Relations, at lewisbd@childrensboard.org for more information about a particular event.

November

- 11.1.22 **Children's Board Free Tuesday**
Glazer Children's Museum
110 West Gasparilla Plaza, Tampa
10:00 am-5:00 pm
- 11.5.22 **YES! Of America 14th Annual F.A.I.R**
Lesley "Les" Miller Jr. All People's Park and Life Center
6105 East Sligh Avenue, Tampa
10:00 am-3:00 pm
- 11.5.22 **BayCare Kids Day**
Gadsden Park
6901 South MacDill Avenue, Tampa
9:00 am-12:00 pm
- 11.19.22 **United Bikerz Jamboree**
YETS Center
3310 East Lake, Tampa
12:00 pm-5:00 pm

December

- 12.2.22 **Children's Board Free Family Day**
Tampa Museum of Art
120 West Gasparilla Plaza, Tampa
10:00 am-5:00 pm
- 12.6.22 **Children's Board Free Tuesday**
Glazer Children's Museum
110 West Gasparilla Plaza, Tampa
10:00 am-5:00 pm