



CHILDREN'S TRUST REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2025 at 4:00 PM

CTAC, 4010 NW 25th Place, Gainesville, FL 32606

Call to Order – Chair Cornell called the meeting to order at 3:59 pm.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Ken Cornell - Chair, Cheryl Twombly - Vice Chair, Dr. Maggie Labarta - Treasurer, Tina Certain - Member, Mary Chance – Member, Dr. Nancy Hardt – Member, Dr. Kamela Patton – Member, Lee Pinkoson – Member, Hon. Susanne Wilson Bullard – Member.

Quorum was established.

Agenda Review, Revision, and Approval of Regular and Consent Agenda – Member Pinkoson moved for approval; seconded by Member Certain. Passed by unanimous voice vote.

Consent Agenda

1. Board Attendance YTD
2. BDO Engagement
3. 2.10.2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
4. 2.10.2025 Board Meeting Evaluation - Survey Results
5. FY 2025 Budget Report (January)
6. FY 2025 Checks and Expenditures Report (January)
7. FY 2025 Programmatic Awards and Expenditures Report (February)
8. February Sponsorship Applications

General Public Comments

Chair's Report

Chair Cornell requested that a motion be made to authorize the actions taken by the Chief Operating Officer in the absence of the Executive Director and direct the Executive Director to develop and present a policy establishing the COO's authority to sign on behalf of the ED. Member Certain moved for approval. It was seconded by Member Labarta. In discussion, Member Certain questioned that nothing formal was already in place, as she thought there was. No public comment. Passed by unanimous voice vote.

Executive Director's Report

9. 3.10.2025 ED Report

COO Kristy Goldwire announced the 1st cohort of Flourish Alachua doulas graduated this past Saturday. A maternal Child health presentation will be provided to the board in the coming months. A second cohort will begin soon.

10. Swampbots Recognition

Students from the Frogmen Robotics team presented a demonstration displaying their robots' functionality and provided insights into typical competition experiences.

Presentations

11. Community Foundation of North Central Florida - Center for Nonprofit Excellence and My Sidewalk presentation from Dr. Theresa Beachy, Organizational Strategist. Member Labarta moved the presentation be accepted for informational purposes; Member Pinkoson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

12. Partnership for Strong Families (PSF) -Family Resource Center/ Community Resource Navigator / Help Me Grow presentation from Stacy Merritt and Chyna Miller. Dr. Hardt requested a follow-up report on a future agenda. Member Certain questioned how to ensure CTAC funds are serving children under 18 years of age. Member Labarta moved the presentation be accepted for informational purposes; seconded by Member Chance. Public Comment: Bishop Christopher Stokes rose on behalf of the Willie Mae Stokes Community Center to thank Partnership for their invaluable support to their program. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business

13. TeensWork Alachua - Fall Civic Leadership Program presentation from Shardae Goodloe and TWA student participants – Isona Wolfe, Jaden Perry, Sariya Harrison, and Tanisa Jones. Member Certain moved the presentation be accepted for informational purposes; Judge Wilson Bullard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

New Business

General Public Comments

Sherry Kitchens from the Child Advocacy Center shared challenges they are experiencing with contractor recruitment and retention. She is excited about hosting training sessions for CTAC providers.

Board Member Comments

Member Certain recommended the building's electric wiring be checked due to the power outage. Dr. Patton commented the SBAC was glad to help with the book recommendations. Vice Chair Twombly shared it was nice to hear from children during the meeting. Member Chance loved Tab 6 and suggested checking with other CSC's and consider listing funded organizations under priorities on the website for accountability. Dr. Labarta requested a follow-up to the community needs listing. Member Pinkoson gave kudos to the makers of the agenda and the presenters for not overloading the agenda.

For Your Information

Items in this section are for informational purposes only and do not require any action by the Trust.

14. Save the Date: CTAC Open House, March 29, 2025 - 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

15. Comprehensive Literacy Plan and Assessment February 2025 Update

Next Meeting Dates

16. Regular Board Meeting - Monday, April 7, 2025 @ 4:00 pm

Children's Trust of Alachua County, 4010 NW 25th Place, Gainesville, FL 32606

Joint Meeting with the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners - Monday, April 21, 2025 @ 3:00 pm

Alachua County Administration Building, Grace Knight Conference Room, 2nd Floor

Adjournment

Chair Cornell adjourned the meeting at 5:36 pm



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CHILDREN'S TRUST REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 10, 2025, at 4:00 PM

Children's Trust of Alachua County, Large Conference Room, 4010 NW 25th Place, Gainesville, FL 32606

Attendance List

Name	Organization	Email address	Contact number
Josiah Curley	Twra Fall leadership	josiahcurley002@gmail.com	352-221-9603
Kimberly Farris	Swampshot Robotics Entire team (C)	kimberly@swampshots.org	386-852-9000
Theresa Beaulieu	CNE	theresa@cneec.org	352 318 7764
April McCray	Swampshots	april-jayne@yahoo.com	(352) 318-1524
Natalie Southard	Swampshots	natufoto@hotmail.com	(386) 266-9420
Tanisha Jones	Twra Fall leadership	tanisajones98@gmail.com	352-339-2310
Bishop Chris STOKES	WMSCC	BishopSTOKES2@gmail.com	352 246-2533
Martina Meredith	Goodwill	mmeredith@goodwillna.org	912-674-4464
Anisa ISARC	Teens Work Alachua	aisaac@goodwillna.org	904-454-4473
Shade Good	TWA	sgoodie@goodwillna.org	904-658-7526
Melissa Janney	TWA	mjanney@goodwillna.org	904) 606-3526



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Keturah Bailey Acevedo

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Keturah Bailey Acevedo

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From: Children's Trust of Alachua County Florida <childrenstrust-fl@municodeweb.com>
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Submitted values are:

Name Pastor Adam Joy

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Phone 3524749040

Address 19930 N Us Hwy 441 High Springs, FL 32643

Representing Deeper Purpose Community Church, Inc

Meeting Date Mon, 03/10/2025

Comments

Good Afternoon to the CTAC Board Chair, Board Members, CTAC Staff & everyone, in their respective places. I had planned to speak in person, but had a prior engagement this same date & time, that had already been moved twice. In the current RFP for Summer Camp Services, it states that students are required to attend at least 3 days per week. Which is a 2 day increase from last year & previous years.

Our organization agrees that the children should be required to attend more. We want them to be there. We need them to be there. However, we have just one request. We have done summer camps annually for years & there's always several or more students who get sick & miss 3 to 4 days of camp due to illness.

With the new requirement of them having to attend 3 days a week, if a child is out sick & isn't present all 3 days, we- all providers will lose that funding for the child(ren) for that week & that hurts us. Especially since we have to do our best to budget things, including adequate staff. A child being sick is something beyond their control, beyond their parents control & certainly beyond our control.

We are humbly asking for the board to hear us, please understand where we are coming from, help us & to ask & direct staff to either allow us to be able to get credit & reimbursement for a child that didn't meet the attendance requirements, as long as a doctor's note is supplied, excusing the student & or adjust the language in the RFP to allow the same, so that providers don't lose funding due to a child being out sick.

We could easily upload the doctor's note, if needed, to show that the child truly was out sick. The board has the authority to do this, & we are asking if you'd please consider & act, to help make this doable. Thank you.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.childrenstrustofalachuacounty.us/node/5728/submission/1118>



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OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ALACHUA

I, Susanne Wilson Bullard, do solemnly swear that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the state; and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of a Board member of the Children's Trust of Alachua County on which I am now about to enter. So help me God.

(Signed)

Susanne Wilson Bullard

Submitted and sworn to before me this 10th day of February 2025.

(Signed)

Ken Cornell

Ken Cornell, Chairman of the Board

Name and Title of person authorized by law to take oath.

Accomplishments
2024
Report



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Gainesville, FL 32607

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*Family
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ACCOMPLISHMENTS REPORT

2024



IMPACT STATEMENT

With sixteen years of experience operating a network of Family Resource Centers (FRC), Partnership for Strong Families (PSF) has become a leader in the provision of primary and secondary prevention services. Relying upon the support of community partners, without whom this work would not be possible, our FRCs provide easily accessible and safe places for families and community members to seek support prior to the need for formal child welfare involvement. It is our goal to strengthen families so they may keep their children safe and thriving at home.

2024 YEAR IN NUMBERS

42,000+

SERVICES REQUESTED

33,600+

PATRON VISITS

9,700+

HOURS VOLUNTEERED

100+

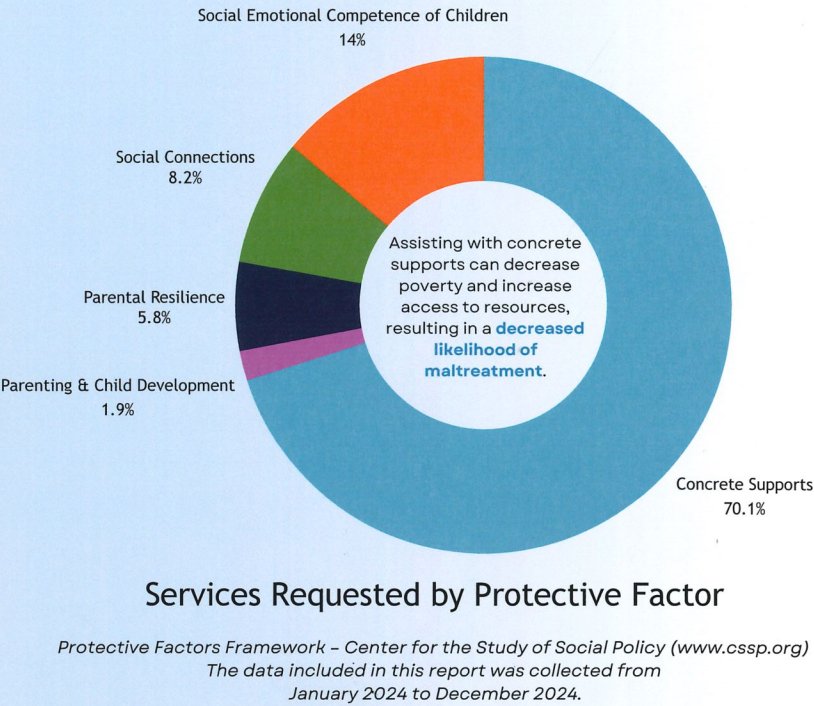
COMMUNITY PARTNERS

\$246,601

CASH/IN-KIND DONATIONS

\$1,947,019

GRANTS AWARDED



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Thank you to our community grantors and donors who make this work possible. Here are a few of our major funders:

Alachua County CAPP	Children’s Bureau
Children’s Trust of Alachua County	LSF Health Systems
Meridian Health Care	Northside Church of Christ
Queen of Peace Catholic Community	Southwest Advocacy Group (SWAG)
State Farm Agent John Kasak	Suncoast Credit Union
Tri-County Community Resources, Inc.	United Way of North Central Florida
United Way of Suwannee Valley	Walmart



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Our Alachua County Family Resource Centers are funded in partnership with the Children's Trust of Alachua County.



SATISFACTION & OUTCOMES



We received 380 responses from **Patrons** to our Satisfaction Survey.

- 98% said they were pleased with the services received at the Resource Centers.
- 98% said they would recommend the Resource Centers to others.
- 98% said they would return to the Resource Center for additional services.



Every time I come to pick up food, they are such a pleasure. And they are kind and caring. They make what could be embarrassing instead be a source of joy and hope.

They are doing an amazing job. They are absolutely the very very best. They treat all with such concern and care.



We received 65 responses from **Partners** to our Partner Network Survey.

- 95% were satisfied with the FRC Network's overall performance.
- 92% were satisfied with our team's ability to resolve problems quickly and efficiently.
- 97% were satisfied with the team's level of professionalism.

We have worked with a lot of families who only have positive things to say about the resource center staff and services.



Kudos to a well-run organization with great leadership, locally and regionally.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

FAMILY FUN DAY & HURRICANE EXPO

With support from Sunshine Health, TCCRC hosted their first Family Fun Day & Hurricane Expo in May. The event reached more than 300 tri-county residents, and more than 50 partner agencies provided free resources. Attendees created their own hurricane kits and accessed information about hurricane preparedness and recovery.

OPIOID AWARENESS EVENT

NSFRC hosted an Opioid Awareness Event in November. Relevant community partners tabled to provide resources and information at the event. There were also presentations by Project Opioid and Florida Poison Control, along with a panel discussion that included subject matter experts. The event was well attended with more than 75 individuals in attendance.

RE-ENTRY CONFERENCE & JOB FAIR

In April, LP hosted their Annual Re-Entry Conference, helping local residents with challenging backgrounds find employment, with an average of 48 participants each day. Partners included the Alachua County Library District, Florida Department of Corrections, and Gainesville Housing Authority. In May, the Annual Re-Entry Job and Resource Fair at Library Headquarters attracted 110 job seekers and featured over 17 partners, including seven "second chance" employers.

STOP GUN VIOLENCE EVENT FOR TEENS

In September, SWAG FRC hosted a Stop Gun Violence event for teens in partnership with Strong MINDed Mentoring and the SW Advocacy Group. The workshop, attended by more than 25 teens, covered decision-making, self-awareness, and character building. This is the first in a series of workshops geared towards teens, with topics the teens helped to identify, including career choices, entrepreneurship, and overcoming barriers to higher education and employment.

EXPANDING OUR REACH

Through our partnership with the Children's Trust of Alachua County, our FRC Model has been expanded to additional communities throughout Alachua County through both our Community Resource Navigation Program and our FRC Consulting Program.

SUCCESS STORIES

LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP RESOURCE CENTER GAINESVILLE, FL (NORTHEAST)

A patron visited LP a year after attending the 2023 Re-Entry Conference and reported finding employment and successfully regaining partial custody of her children. Over the past year, she had also utilized the Resource Center for food and clothing resources. She stated the information she gained during the conference and additional supports received from the Resource Center will help her find long-term success!

NORTHSTAR FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER LAKE CITY, FL

A couple who had visited in the past recently became full-time caregivers for three of their grandchildren. They reached out to NSFRC for available resources and received guidance and support for themselves and the children. The children are now enrolled in NSFRC's Homework Help Program and received clothing and school supplies. The grandparents are extremely grateful for the additional support and the children are adapting well at home and school!

SWAG FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER GAINESVILLE, FL (SOUTHWEST)

A family secured safe, stable housing, and remained together after an extended period of being unhoused. Over several months, they visited to receive concrete supports, along with guidance navigating local resources such as pregnancy supports, a homeless prevention program, and a youth shelter. The father successfully maintained employment, saving money for rent, and the family also welcomed a new baby into their lives. Staff observed the father's confidence grow as he met goals set for himself and his family!

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER CHIEFLAND, FL

An unhoused mother with a newborn in the NICU was struggling to find stability for her family. She was assisted with first month's rent in an income-based apartment, utilities, and essentials such as diapers and a safe sleep option for the baby. She also received financial support with a background screening, helping her to pursue a career as a Medical Assistant and providing hope for her future!

COMMUNITY RESOURCE NAVIGATION (CRN) PROGRAM

Our CRN Program worked with a mother who had recently regained custody of her children. While the mother had been able to secure housing, she did not have bedroom furniture for the children. Through local partnerships, the family received mattresses, bunk beds, dressers, and bedding. Additionally, a local church delivered and assembled everything for the family. The mother was extremely happy to have safe places for her children to sleep and thrive!



Federal Grant Impact

In 2019, PSF received a 5-year federal grant from the Children's Bureau to evaluate and refine our network of Resource Centers and establish a new center in Lake City, which opened in March of 2021.

The grant included evaluation, implementation, and dissemination activities, with the following goals and objectives:

Evaluate FRC Model- Collect child safety and family well- being measures from our patrons, via surveys and secondary data as part of the outcome evaluation, as well as process evaluation activities which assess day-to-day operations.

Program Refinement- Utilize data collected from evaluation activities to refine our Resource Center Model, services, and programs.

Network Expansion- Expand to Lake City with the opening of the NorthStar Family Resource Center

What We Accomplished:

Evaluation- We enrolled 245 patrons into our study. These patrons completed survey instruments to measure child safety and family well- being, many also participated in focus groups. A highlight of our Process Evaluation was the Strengthening Families Self- Assessment Tool for Community Based Programs, which was administered to a team of staff, partners, and patrons. This process has helped us to identify the extent to which our Resource Center activities are aligned with each protective factor.

Expansion- With the help of our established Resource Center Advisory Council, we opened the NorthStar Family Resource Center in Lake City.

Refinement- Our evaluation team worked diligently to improve our data collection methods, and we also utilized the data collected to better refine our services and programming.

Dissemination- We have published 4 presentations and 98 reports, infographics, and summaries throughout the project, covering service utilization, provider agreements, protective factors, focus group analysis, and more. Check out our website at

<https://www.pfsf.org/resourcecenters/evaluationandexpansion/>.

What We are Learning:

Patrons enrolled in our study had (on average) a higher need than other patrons.

After one year of receiving services, 81.2% of caregivers reported their child(ren)'s difficulties to be "A bit better or much better".

During the evaluation period, over 2/3 of enrolled patrons increased their capacity in at least one or more Protective Factors.

Retrospective analyses, Strengthening Families Self-Assessment process, and Patron Feedback Groups (qualitative data) indicate a positive impact and benefits of FRCs on individual patrons and families (using Protective Factors framework).

This suggests that FRCs provide initial benefits and desired supports and services that help coping and adaptive skills for individuals, families, and the communities served.



The contents of this project are partially funded by the Children's Bureau, under the 5 year grant #90CA1868, ending 9/30/24. The contents of this project do not necessarily represent the official views of the Children's Bureau.



FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER CONSULTING PROGRAM

*Empowering Communities,
Strengthening Families*

The FRC Consulting Program was designed to assist public groups and organizations who are interested in developing or enhancing a Family Resource Center within their own municipality. With the support of the Children's Trust of Alachua County, Partnership for Strong Families (PSF) has provided training, coaching, and consultation to two organizations in 2024, assisting with start-up and capacity building.



[This program] has been an asset to our development. The progress we have made is in part due to training and guidance provided by the consulting team.



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Partnership for Strong Families' FRC Consulting Program is proudly funded by the **Children's Trust of Alachua County**.

Website: www.pfsf.org

Coming Soon!

APRIL 2025



Helping to connect families with community resources and services to support the healthy development and well-being of their children ages 0-8.



LOCATIONS:



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- ☐ Between the ages of birth through eight?



If so, Help Me Grow® Florida can help your child have the best possible start in life by:



Answering any questions or concerns about your child's development.



Guiding you through our free developmental and behavioral screenings.



Providing parenting tips, activities, and other useful information.



Following-up to ensure your child receives the right services.



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we are there for you!**

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FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS

How Can Our Family Resource Centers Support You and Your Family?



Free services and supports are available to all families and community members.

**Services vary by location.*

- Diapers & Infant Care Products
- Parent/Caregiver Supports
- Homework Help
- Social Service Referrals
- Resume & Application Assistance
- Job Board & Employability Training
- Computer & Internet Access
- Faxing & Notary Services
- Financial Literacy Programs
- Clothing Closets
- Food Distribution
- Emergency Food Pantries
- Enrichment Programs for Children



No referrals needed. Walk-ins welcome!

For more information and our monthly calendar visit:
www.pfsf.org/resourcecenters/


**LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP
RESOURCE CENTER**
912 N.E. 16th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601
352-334-0161


SWAG
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
807 SW 64th Terrace
Gainesville, FL 32607
352-505-6823



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Partnership for Strong Families Evolution of our Family Resource Center Model

Resource Centers



As the lead community-based care agency responsible for providing child welfare services in 13 North Central Florida counties, Partnership for Strong Families' (PSF) mission is to enhance the community's ability to protect and nurture children by building, maintaining and constantly improving a network of family support services.



The **Library Partnership Resource Center**, established in **2009** through a collaboration with PSF, DCF, Casey Family Programs, and the Alachua County Library District, provides accessible, stigma-free resources to families in high-need areas.



The **SWAG Family Resource Center**, opened in **2012** through a partnership with PSF, SWAG, and Alachua County, provides vital resources to the 32607 and 32608 zip codes, historically high-need areas.



The **Cone Park Library Resource Center** opened full-time in **2014**, expanding access to vital resources in the 32641 zip code through a strong partnership between PSF and the Alachua County Library District. For nearly a decade, it provided critical support to families before closing in August 2023 due to rising costs of care.



In **2015**, PSF partnered with **Tri-County Community Resources** to expand services to Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy Counties. With community input and a building donation from Chiefland, the Tri-County Community Resource Center opened, providing vital support to local families.



The **Northstar Family Resource Center** opened on **2021** in Lake City, offering free services like academic enrichment, food assistance, employment help, and more. Supported by a five-year grant from The Children's Bureau, this expansion strengthens our community impact.



Community Resource Navigation



The Community Resource Navigation (CRN) Program delivers essential family support services, such as concrete supports, employability skills, community referrals, and special events, to families residing throughout Alachua County, with a focus on reaching those in rural communities.

For more information on our co-located sites, visit our website at www.psf.org/resourcecenters



FRC Consulting

The FRC Consulting Program helps organizations develop or enhance Family Resource Centers in their communities. With support from the Children's Trust of Alachua County, PSF has achieved the following:

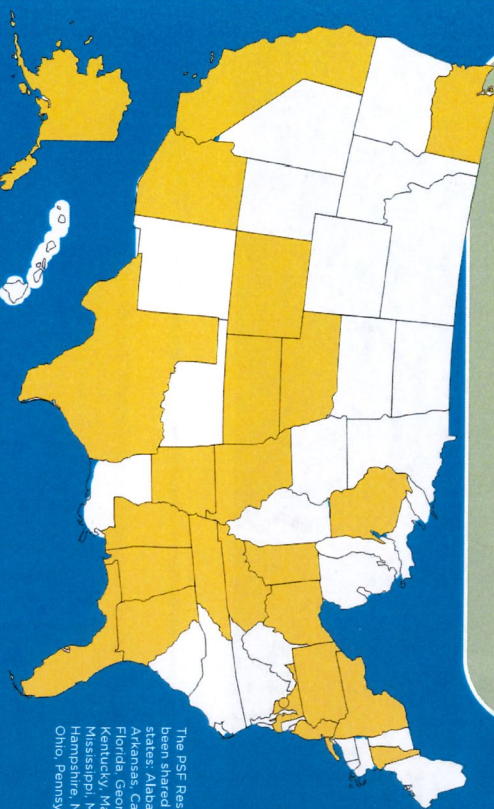
- ▶ **2 Newly Opened Family Resource Centers:** Serving East Gainesville & Micanopy
- ▶ **29 Consulting Meetings:** Hiring, Community Needs Assessment, Service Array, Collaborations, Data Collection, Sustainability, Customer Service, and More
- ▶ **3 Formal Trainings:** PSF Family Resource Center Model, Bringing the Protective Factors to Life in Your Work, Standards of Quality for Family Resource Centers



Expanding our Family Resource Center Model

Beyond our Community

PSF has shared our Resource Center Model on a local, state and national level. Our experiences and success are helping pave the way for communities looking to replicate a similar initiative in their areas.



The PSF Resource Center Model has been shared in the following 22 states: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin.

Impact to Date *



369,000+

VISITS TO THE RESOURCE CENTERS



417,000+

SERVICES PROVIDED



\$1,585,000+

CASH/IN-KIND DONATIONS RECEIVED



\$5,736,000+

GRANT AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Protective Factors



Concrete Supports in Time of Need

Access to supports and services that reduce stress and help make families stronger.

Example: Clothing, Food, Hygiene Products, Housing Assistance



Knowledge of Parenting & Child Development

The ability to exercise effective parenting strategies to guide and know what to expect as children develop in multiple domains (physical, cognitive, language, and social and emotional).

Example: Parenting Resources, Parenting Supports, Referrals



Parental Resilience

The ability to recover from difficult life experiences, and often to be strengthened by and even transformed by those experiences.

Example: Employability Skills, Financial Literacy Programs, Mental Health Referrals



Social Connections

The ability and opportunity to develop positive relationships that lessen stress and isolation and help to build a supportive network.

Example: Community Events, Advisory Councils, Special Interest Activities



Social & Emotional Competence of Children

Family and child interactions that help children develop the ability to communicate clearly, recognize and regulate their emotions and establish and maintain relationships.

Example: Academic Support, After School and Summer Programs, Family Activities

Staff and volunteers at the Resource Centers utilize the protective factors framework, a proven model for child abuse prevention that focuses on reducing the likelihood of child abuse and neglect by increasing the presence of five protective factors in families.

*Data through calendar year 2024.

Community Resource Navigation Program

Scope of Services

The Community Resource Navigation Program is an expansion of Partnership for Strong Families' (PSF) Family Resource Center (FRC) Model. Leveraging community partnerships, the Community Resource Navigator (CRN) will use shared space, within communities that have had historically limited access to resources, to meet in-person with families and individuals and provide a variety of family support services.

All services provided by the CRN are tied to one of five protective factors, which when present in families are known to reduce the risk of abuse or neglect.

The CRN will help families and individuals to meet their immediate needs (e.g., food, clothing, housing), identify strengths and potential areas for improvement (e.g., financial stability, employment, education, mental health), set obtainable goals, and connect with existing community resources.

Additionally, the CRN will help patrons to navigate existing systems and overcome common barriers to service attainment and on-going self-sufficiency. The CRN will also conduct community outreach, host special events, and regularly assess and adjust to community needs.

Examples of Services

- Emergency Food and Clothing
- Job Searches
- Resume Assistance
- Limited Financial Assistance for Emergency Needs
- Connections with other Social Service Agencies
- Addressing needs such as mental health, substance abuse, domestic violence, homelessness, childcare, and more...



Co-Located Sites

Willie Mae Stokes Community Resource Center
356 NW 6th Ave, Micanopy, FL 32667

High Springs Branch Library
23779 US-27, High Springs, FL 32643

Alachua Branch Library
14913 NW 140th St, Alachua, FL 32615

Hawthorne Area Resource Center
21923 SE 67th Pl, Hawthorne, FL 32640

Porters Community Center
522 SW 3rd St, Gainesville, FL, 32601

Waldo City Square
14450 NE 148th Ave, Waldo, FL 32694





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Community Resource Navigation Schedule



The Community Resource Navigation Program is an expansion of Partnership for Strong Families' Family Resource Center Network. The Community Resource Navigator (CRN) is available to assist families and individuals with identifying and connecting with local resources, also helping overcome barriers to receiving these services. Our CRNs can help find resources for you and your family. Please see the times and days below that they are available at our Co-Located Sites.

Ariana Young Community Resource Navigator



(352) 363-0097



ariana.young@pfsf.org

Mondays, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm / Thursdays, 11:00 am - 4 pm

Alachua Branch Library
14913 NW 140th St, Alachua, FL 32615

Wednesdays, 10:30 am - 2:00 pm

Newberry Branch Library
110 South Seaboard Drive Newberry, FL 32669

Tuesdays, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

High Springs Branch Library
23779 US-27, High Springs, FL 32643

**Schedule and locations are subject to change.*

Marlee Coonradt Community Resource Navigator



(352) 318-9423



marlee.coonradt@pfsf.org

Mondays, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Waldo City Square
14450 NE 148th Ave, Waldo, FL 32694

Tuesdays, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Porters Community Center
522 SW 3rd St, Gainesville, FL, 32601

**Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm /
Thursdays, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm**

Hawthorne Area Resource Center
21923 SE 67th Pl, Hawthorne, FL 32640

Scan QR code with phone
camera to sign up!

Sign Up



ADVANCED HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Training provided by the
Child Advocacy Center
Sherry Kitchens, Ed.S., LMFT

For CTAC Providers Only



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April 4, 2025
9am to 12pm



Children's Trust of Alachua County
Training Room
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Together, breaking the cycle of child abuse

Please register for this training if you
have already had initial training in
human trafficking or Human
Trafficking 101