



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

April 1, 2025 - May 1, 2025

SUMMARY
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Children's Trust Parenting Playbook & Program Guide2. Children's Open House

MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR PLANNING, COORDINATION, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT		
DATE	MEETING / EVENT	SUMMARY
March 3, 2025	Gainesville Thrives - Dolly Parton Imagination Library - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 3, 2025	IGB Education - Mentoring - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 3, 2025	Pleasant Street Civil Rights & Cultural Arts Center - Family Resource Center - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (B. James), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 5, 2025	Girls Place - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 6, 2025	Healthy Start - NewboRN Home Visiting - Performance Review	Contract Manager (M. Jones) and Evaluator (B. Wagner) met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 6, 2025	Amplified Student Voice Coalition - Scope and Budget Review	CTAC staff team met with program staff to discuss program scope, performance measures, data reporting, and budget for the Amplified program.
March 6, 2025	Big Brothers, Big Sisters - Mentoring Data and SAMIS training	B. Wagner met with program staff to facilitate training on performance measures, data collection, and entering/reviewing data in SAMIS.

March 6, 2025	Alachua County Campaign for Grade Level Reading	M. Jones is an advisory member and attended.
March 7, 2025	Healthy Communities Quarterly Meeting	Attended by M. Jones and K. Goldwire
March 8, 2025	Flourish Alachua Postpartum Doula Graduation Ceremony	Hosted and attended by M. Jones
March 10, 2025	IGB Education - Mentoring Data and SAMIS training	B. Wagner met with program staff to facilitate training on performance measures, data collection, and entering/reviewing data in SAMIS.
March 11, 2025	Kids Count - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 11, 2025	Mt. Pleasant Church	Chief Operating Officer (K. Goldwire) discussed Trust funding options with members of Mt. Pleasant Church.
March 11, 2025	Aces in Motion - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 12, 2025	Amplified Student Voice Coalition - Performance Measures and Reporting	B. Wagner met with program staff to negotiate and finalize performance measures and data reporting requirements.

March 12, 2025	Florida Association of Educators of Young Children One Voice Advocacy Coalition	M. Jones co-presented on Early Learning Roadmap Implementation.
March 13, 2025	ACCESS Task Force Meeting	M. Jones is a task force member and attended.
March 13, 2025	Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County Quality Committee	M. Jones is a committee member and attended.
March 18, 2025	Alachua County Child Abuse Taskforce	M. Jones is a task force member and attended.
March 19, 2025	North Central Florida Regional Fetal and Infant Mortality Case Review	M. Jones is a committee member and attended.
March 19, 2025	AMIKids Gainesville Board Meeting	Chief Operating Officer (K.Goldwire) attended as a guest, the March Board meeting for AMIKids Gainesville.
March 19, 2025	Willie Mae Stokes Community Center - Family Resource Center - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (B. James), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 19, 2025	Family Resource Center - Provider Convening & Data Review	B. Wagner led a meeting hosted by Partnership for Strong Families to bring together the Family Resource Center providers to review performance measures, data entry and collection processes in SAMIS, and review progress.

March 20, 2025	Deeper Purpose - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 20, 2025	Gainesville Neighborhood Housing & Development Corporation	Chief Operating Officer (K. Goldwire) met with and discussed opportunities to collaborate with GNHDC.
March 20, 2025	Carolyn's Hearth Inc.	Chief Operating Officer (K. Goldwire) met with the founder and CEO (Ramona Jackson) to discuss Trust funding options.
March 21, 2025	Douglass Historical Society	Chief Operating Officer (K. Goldwire) discussed Trust funding options for youth programming in the City of High Springs.
March 26, 2025	Boys & Girls Club - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review	Contract Manager (M. De Zutter), Evaluator (B. Wagner), and Finance team members met with program staff to discuss and review year-to-date progress.
March 26, 2025	ELC Child Care Tuition Assistance Program - Performance Measure, Reporting, and SAMIS review	M. Jones, B. Wagner, and D. Tyson facilitated a training for program staff on performance measures, data reporting, and how to use SAMIS.
March 27, 2025	Briefing on the 2025 Legislative Session for community Drivers and Florida's Early Learning Roadmap Implementation Advisory Board	M. Jones is an advisory board member and attended.
March 27, 2025	Neighborhood Canvassing - Open House	Program Specialists (K. Welch & A. Bethune), Receptionist, (J. Mayberry), and Executive Assistant (K. Bailey Acevedo), canvassed the neighborhood to ensure neighboring businesses were aware of the open house and road closures

March 28, 2025	Safety Net Collaborative Meeting	Attended by Chief Operating Officer (K.Goldwire)
March 28, 2025	Annual MLK Prayer Breakfast	Attended by Executive Director (M. Kiner)

INITIATIVES

For the third summer, Alachua Head Start Summer Bridge kicks-off in April with the onboarding and training of 5 participating centers. There are two new participants this year: ECS4Kids directly operated centers located in Gainesville and Hawthorne. ECS4Kids will also incorporate CTAC's contracted Enrichment Community Partners to enhance the children's summer experience. We anticipate this program will serve 90 children over 34 days this summer.



The flyer is titled "ALACHUA HEAD START Summer Bridge Program" in a large, bold, white font on a purple background. It features three main sections: HIGHLIGHTS, LOCATIONS, and PROGRAM DETAILS, each with a green header bar. The HIGHLIGHTS section lists: Engaging curriculum, Qualified educators, Social and emotional development, Nutritious meals, and Family involvement. The LOCATIONS section lists: Building Dreams, Martin Rochelle, Hawthorne, Gainesville, and Rise Performing Kids Academy. The PROGRAM DETAILS section lists: Dates: June 2nd - July 25th, Time: 8 AM - 3 PM, Age Group: 3 - 5, and Before and After Care available at every location except Hawthorne. There are two circular photos of children: one showing three girls smiling and another showing a group of children. Logos for Head Start, ECS4Kids, and Children's Trust of Alachua County are present. A purple box on the right contains contact information for Shaquerria Campbell, Project Manager, including the phone number 904.479.6395 and email shaquerria.campbell@ecs4kids.org. A green box at the bottom right states "Forms due Date: May 1, 2025".

ALACHUA HEAD START Summer Bridge Program

HIGHLIGHTS

- Engaging curriculum
- Qualified educators
- Social and emotional development
- Nutritious meals
- Family involvement

LOCATIONS

- Building Dreams
- Martin Rochelle
- Hawthorne
- Gainesville
- Rise Performing Kids Academy

PROGRAM DETAILS

- Dates: June 2nd - July 25th
- Time: 8 AM - 3 PM
- Age Group: 3 - 5
- Before and After Care available at every location except Hawthorne

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REQUEST ENROLLMENT FORMS

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Forms due Date: May 1, 2025


CHILDREN'S TRUST
OF ALACHUA COUNTY

Flourish Alachua is a collaborative effort between CTAC and Beam Birth Network LLC. This program aims to provide community centered training, community resources, and continuing education to emerging doulas. It is bridging gaps in care and building a sustainable network dedicated to improving maternal well-being and family transitions, in Alachua County. Building on our successful first postpartum doula training program, we are ready for Flourish Alachua's next cohort. Cohort 2 applications are now open and the training cycle will begin in May 2025. Beam Birth Network will kick-off cohort 2 with an Information Session scheduled for Saturday April 5, 2025 at 5 PM. Registration link: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/n9b_39jmR82P156f5oBSQg

FLOURISH ALACHUA

POSTPARTUM DOULA TRAINING INITIATIVE

Applications Now Open
for Cohort #2!

Apply now- spaces limited



Do you have a passion for supporting new families?
Become a trained postpartum doula with the Flourish
Alachua Postpartum Doula Training Initiative!



 **May – August 2025**

Format: Online and In-Person Sessions

Eligibility: Must be an Alachua County Resident

Cost: Fully funded by The Children's Trust of Alachua County

This comprehensive training will equip you with the skills and knowledge to support parents and newborns during the postpartum period.

PROGRAMS CALENDAR

March	
March 1, 2025	Summer Sign-Up Blitz at MLK Center
March 3, 2025	Gainesville Thrives - Dolly Parton Imagination Library - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 3, 2025	IGB Education - Mentoring - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 3, 2025	Pleasant Street Civil Rights & Cultural Arts Center - Family Resource Center - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 4, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Program Affinity Group
March 5, 2025	Girls Place - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 6, 2025	Alachua County Campaign for Grade Level Reading
March 6, 2025	Newborn RN Home Visiting Monitoring Meeting Quarter 1
March 6, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
March 6, 2025	Co-Chairs Planning - Early Learning System Transformation & Public Awareness & Recognition Working Groups
March 6, 2025	Big Brothers, Big Sisters - Mentoring Data and SAMIS training
March 6, 2025	Amplified Student Voice Coalition - Scope and Budget Review
March 7, 2025	Healthy Communities Quarterly Meeting
March 7, 2025	Training Q&A
March 8, 2025	Flourish Alachua Postpartum Doula Recognition Ceremony
March 10, 2025	Early Learning System Transformation & Public

	Awareness & Recognition Working Groups Meeting
March 10, 2025	IGB Education - Mentoring Data and SAMIS training
March 11, 2025	The Future Call: Conversations on Florida's Early Learning Future
March 11, 2025	Alachua County Comprehensive Literacy Report Review with Lastinger Center
March 11, 2025	Kids Count - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 11, 2025	Aces in Motion - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 12, 2025	Early Learning Session 4
March 12, 2025	Amplified Student Voice Coalition - Performance Measures and Reporting
March 12, 2025	GEZ and CTAC Meeting
March 12, 2025	UF Maternal Health Performance Measure and Data Review and Discussion
March 12, 2025	One Voice Advocacy Coalition: Presentation on Early Learning Roadmap Implementation
March 13, 2025	Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County Quality Committee
March 13, 2025	ACCESS Task Force March Meeting
March 13, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
March 14, 2025	CTAC and ACCESS Navigator Performance Measures Discussion
March 17, 2025	Harassment Training Program Staff
March 18, 2025	Alachua County Child Abuse Prevention Taskforce
March 19, 2025	Internal- Early Learning Collaborative Planning Meeting

March 19, 2025	North Central Florida Regional Fetal and Infant Mortality Case Review
March 19, 2025	Willie Mae Stokes Community Center - Family Resource Center - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 19, 2025	Family Resource Center - Provider Convening & Data Review
March 20,2025	Family Resource Center Consultation with HARC (Hawthorne Area Resource Center)
March 20,2025	Deeper Purpose - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 24, 2025	GEZ Monitoring Meeting Quarter 1
March 25, 2025	Internal Review and Planning Meeting: Comprehensive Literacy Assessment Phase 2
March 26, 2025	Boys & Girls Club - Afterschool - Performance & Expenditure Review
March 26, 2025	Florida Campaign for Grade Level Reading March Webinar + GLR Leads Discussion
March 26, 2025	Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County SAMIS Training
March 26, 2025	Managing Dysregulated Emotions and Behaviors-Not what to do but how to be- Training for Providers
March 27, 2025	Healthy Start of North Central Florida Board of Directors Meeting
March 27, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
March 28, 2025	Flourish Alachua Cohort 2 Planning Meeting
March 28, 2025	Summer RFP Review Team Final Score Deliberation
March 29, 2025	Open House

April	
April 1, 2025	Child Abuse Prevention Month Kick-off
April 1, 2025	Flourish Alachua Cohort 2-Applicant Interviews
April 1, 2025	Alachua County Child Abuse Taskforce Pinwheel Planting UF Health (Children's Wing side)
April 1, 2025	Alachua County BOCC Resource Center Meeting
April 3, 2025	Alachua County Campaign for Grade Level Reading
April 3, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
April 4, 2025	Internal- Early Learning Planning Meeting
April 4, 2025	Advanced Human Trafficking Training for Providers
April 5, 2025	Business and Leadership Institute Masterclass Cohort 4 Graduation
April 5, 2025	Celebrate the Child- Community Event at Westside Park
April 7, 2025	Outpatient Breastfeeding Champion class 1-2
April 7, 2025	HMG & CHILD Center Planning Meeting
April 7, 2025	CTAC Board Meeting - Summer Camp Freedom School Funding Recommendation
April 8, 2025	National Collaboration of Infant and Toddlers (NCIT) Steering Committee Meeting
April 8, 2025	NPR Radio Interview - TeensWork Alachua Business Recruitment
April 9, 2025	OBGYN Mobile Outreach ribbon cutting ceremony
April 10, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
April 14, 2025	Internal- Early Learning Planning Meeting
April 14, 2025	Outpatient Breastfeeding Champion class 2-2
April 15, 2025	Early Learning Network Collective Funder to Funder

	National Campaign for Grade Level Reading Meeting
April 15, 2025	Samis S3 Collaboration Meeting
April 16, 2025	North Central Florida Regional Fetal and Infant Mortality Case Review
April 16, 2025	FACCT IT Affinity Group
April 17, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
April 14-18, 2025	Children's Week
April 21, 2025	Children's Trust & Alachua County BOCC Joint Meeting
April 22, 2025	Early Learning Collaborative- Community Meeting
April 24, 2025	Healthy Start of North Central Florida Home Visiting Advisory Meeting
April 24, 2025	Safety Net Collaborative - Family Resource Center Presentation
April 24, 2025	Florida Association of Children's Councils and Trust (FACCT) Policy Affinity Group
April 25, 2025	Flourish Alachua Planning Meeting

PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND EVALUATION

Evaluation planning, data analysis, and support

Met with providers for mid year contract reviews and for discussions regarding progress toward meeting performance targets. Developed performance improvement plan with provider if needed.

Provided SAMIS training as needed, and discussed with providers evaluation and data requirements.

Providers listed below:

- UF Saving Smilies
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring Program
- IGB Mentoring
- Gainesville Thrives
- One Community Family Resource Center
- Partnership for Strong Families
- Girls Place
- Newborn Home Visiting Program
- UF Perinatal Navigator at the ACCESS clinic.
- Kids Count
- Aces in Motion
- Alachua County Amplified
- Willie Mae Stokes Community Center
- Deeper Purpose
- Early Learning Coalition
- Boys and Girls Club

Open House

Developed and implemented photo project with youth participants at three after school sites. Photos and youth narratives to be displayed at Open House.

After School Site Visits

- Implemented Afterschool CQI and Site Monitoring tool within SAMIS.
- Engaged in site visit, in collaboration with Contract Manager, to assess program safety, compliance, and youth engagement. Provider participating in site visit this month:
 - Girls Place, Inc.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

FY 2024 Audit

- Nearly all audit documents have been provided to PurvisGray
- Corrected G/L structure in NewWorld for capital and posted a series of journal entries to correctly reflect building purchase and related depreciation costs
- Preliminary audit results expected by May

FY 2025 February financial reports

- Formal month-end close procedures completed, and financial reports prepared

Internal Controls and Fiscal Infrastructure Assessment with BDO

- Final Policies & Procedures Workflow and Gap Analysis completed end of February
- A project outcomes summary and deliverable documents are included in the March Board financial report

Summer Camp & Freedom School RFP

- Collaborated with the Programs Operations team to structure a new budget proposal format that determines the cost per child per week for Summer Camp providers.
- Collaborated with the Programs Operations team to structure a new budget proposal that supports Provider reimbursement based on the Akwaaba Freedom School expansion site costs.
- Established a timeline for budget review concurrent with the proposal review period to streamline contracting and budget implementation and minimize delays
- Reviewed all budget proposals and outlined Provider feedback in anticipation of contract negotiations
- Prepared a scoring and budget summary for all submitted proposals

Conference Room Renovation

- Complete and operational

COMMUNICATIONS

Updates

- The Parenting Playbook resource guide is fully printed. A plan for community distribution is under development.
- The children's Trust Program Guide, a resource list of Trust funded programs is available for distribution. A plan for community distribution is under development.

In the News

- <https://www.wuft.org/florida-good/2025-03-30/childrens-trust-finds-permanent-home-to-serve-alachua-county>
- <https://www.mainstreetdailynews.com/news/childrens-trust-unveils-new-location>
- <https://www.mainstreetdailynews.com/education/citizens-of-the-month/february-2025-citizens-of-the-month>

BOARD MOTIONS AND REQUESTS

DATE	MOTION / REQUEST	STATUS
3.25.2024	Vice Chair Twombly suggested a presentation by a Medicaid outreach provider to discuss the full range of Medicaid's services. ED Kiner suggested that this be incorporated into staff's professional development and into the training offered to the Trust's providers.	June 2025
6.10.2024	See if the remaining balance of unallocated funds, up to but not exceeding \$491,131, can be spent in Goal 1.	Completed
8.12.2024	Member Chance mentioned that programmatic dashboards showing awarded amounts and actual invoiced/funded amounts for each program area would be helpful and useful for staff to create or distribute.	May 2025
9.9.2024	Chair Pinkoson requested to have a discussion for future RFPs about the maximum amount of funding a provider can request of the total allocation.	Finance Committee, May 2025
11.4.2024	The Board discussed the need for affordable housing for families with children, with a focus on those living in cars or motels. Member Hardt suggested contacting Anne Ray from the Shimberg Center to give a presentation on local issues and potential solutions.	August Board workshop (tentative)
11.4.2024	The Board requested a joint meeting with the Alachua County Library Board.	In progress
2.10.2025	Member Hardt requested the Board invite Theresa Beachy to discuss or lead a workshop on affordable housing, ALICE report, and the work she's doing with the chamber. Would also like to discuss the housing challenges in Gainesville, particularly among our "heroes" - teachers, law enforcement, fire rescue, and nurses.	August Board workshop (tentative)
3.10.2025	The Board directed the Executive Director to develop and present a policy establishing the COO's authority to sign on behalf of the ED. Delegation of Authority proposed in lieu of a policy.	In progress (Researching)
3.10.2025	Member Chance suggested checking with other CSC's and considering listing funded organizations under priorities on the website for accountability.	In progress (Researching)

3.10.2025	Dr. Labarta requested a follow-up to the community needs listing.	In progress (Researching)
3.10.2025	Dr. Hardt requested a follow-up report on future agenda from Partnership for Strong Families.	June FYI (tentative)

SUCCESS STORIES

Program Highlights from PEAK Literacy

February was a month of growth and connection for PEAK Literacy. We conducted eight new student intakes, paired and started lessons with nine students, and conducted three Great Leaps reviews. To support our growing volunteer base, we held two training sessions, each with 14 attendees. Our community engagement remained strong as Leah attended the Presidents' Breakfast with the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce and the United for Impact Tuxedo T-Shirt Gala. We also participated in the Brown's Center for Leadership Volunteer Fair at UF and began interviewing UF interns for summer and fall. Additionally, Leah collaborated with marketing students from the University of South Florida on their nonprofit support project for The Amazing Give. Program planning continued with GPAL for the Phoenix after school initiative launching in March, as well as with Kix for our program implementation in Homestead, Florida. Meanwhile, our Pineridge intern has been organizing a field day for students in their local community. We also explored a new partnership by attending the Teens Work Alachua open house. To wrap up the month, we joined GPAL for a Fun Friday event in the Phoenix neighborhood, strengthening our relationship with the community. We're grateful for all the volunteers and partners who continue to make this work possible!

Goodwill - Teens Work Alachua Civic Leadership Program: Success Story Testimonials

14 year-old Josiah Curley:

"At first, I never imagined myself in a leadership role. I was always the quiet one in the group, sitting back and letting others take the lead. The idea of speaking in front of a group, or organizing something was way outside of my comfort zone. But when the opportunity arose to participate in the TWA Leadership Program, I decided to step outside my comfort zone and challenge myself.

Early on, I often found myself second-guessing my thoughts, afraid of saying the wrong thing or failing to inspire others. But the program taught me something crucial; leadership isn't about being perfect; it's about showing up, learning, and growing. The TWA Leadership Program gave me the space to practice these skills in a supportive environment. As the weeks went on, I started to take more initiative. Whether it was volunteering for leadership roles in group projects or organizing events for our community, I became more comfortable stepping up.

One of the most rewarding moments came when I was asked to speak at a community event. A few months before, the thought of speaking in front of an audience would have made my heart race. But, thanks to the confidence I'd gained, I was able to deliver my speech with poise. The TWA Fall Leadership Program didn't just teach me how to be a better leader, it taught me how to believe in myself, take risks, and grow through the process."

15 year-old, Ky'Asha Cotman:

"As a shy teenager, I had always dreaded speaking in front of large crowds. I would get nervous and fumble over my words, feeling like everyone was judging me.

Through the TeensWork program I was given the opportunity to participate in workshops and training sessions that focused on public speaking, communication, and job readiness. At first, I was hesitant to participate, but with the encouragement of my peers and mentors, I slowly began to open up.

My first big breakthrough came when I was asked to give a presentation in front of my TeensWork group. I was nervous, but to my surprise, my words flowed smoothly and I received positive feedback from my peers. As I began to take on more leadership roles within TeensWork, I grew more confident with each challenge. But TeensWork didn't just help me become more comfortable with public speaking – it also taught me valuable skills for finding and keeping a job. I learned how to create a strong resume, practice interviewing techniques, and network with potential employers. As I look back on my journey, I realize that TeensWork has given me the tools I needed to succeed – and I am grateful for the experience.”

University of Florida School of Dentistry

Saving Smiles at Terwilliger Elementary School

During a visit to Terwilliger Elementary School, the University of Florida School of Dentistry, Saving Smiles Program had a record number of children sign up. During the 4-day stopover, 177 students received preventive dental care from the UF-Saving Smiles Team!

Waldo City Square

During our event at Waldo City Square, we reconnected with a family of three children whom we had initially met at Shell Elementary School. One child was 11 years old and had several cavities on permanent teeth, including front teeth. Fortunately, we identified the cavities early and began treatment with tooth-colored fillings to prevent further decay. During her appointment, we completed two fillings on her front teeth and reviewed dental hygiene practices to reduce her risk of future cavities. Her two younger siblings also had cavities, but on their back baby teeth. We treated these noninvasively using silver diamine fluoride, an antimicrobial medicine. Additionally, we worked with their mother to set achievable nutrition goals and provided her with three-sided toothbrushes to help her more efficiently and effectively clean her younger children's teeth. The mother was very appreciative of the convenient location of our program and has scheduled follow-up appointments for her children next month when we will be in East Gainesville.

Children's Trust of Alachua County

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Dear Children's Trust of Alachua County,

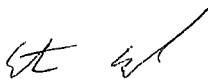
We are writing to express our sincere gratitude for the outstanding support we received from the NewboRN Home Visiting Program following the birth of our son last week. As physicians with backgrounds in pediatrics and newborn care, we are well-versed in many aspects of infant health and development. Yet, despite our medical training, the transition to becoming parents ourselves has been both exciting and humbling.

The guidance and expertise provided through this program have been invaluable, particularly in the areas of breastfeeding support and car seat safety. Having access to a knowledgeable and compassionate professional like Sandee Muir BSN, RN in our own home gave us the assistance and reassurance we needed in these critical early days. It is a testament to the incredible value of this program that even as medical professionals, we found the information, hands-on aid, and resources to be essential.

Knowing that families across Alachua County have access to such a well-structured and thoughtful initiative speaks volumes about the commitment of the Children's Trust to the health and well-being of newborns and parents. We wholeheartedly support the continuation of this program and hope that it remains a resource for families for years to come.

Thank you for your dedication to our community and for ensuring that families have access to the care and support they need during such an important time.

With appreciation,



Steven Raymond, MD



Izabela Oluwole, MD