

# Item:

Partnership for Strong Families (PSF) -Family Resource Center/ Community Resource Navigator / Help Me Grow

Partnership for Strong Families- Consulting

# Requested Action:

The Board is asked to receive this update.

### Background:

Since 2022, Children's Trust of Alachua County (CTAC) has supported Partnership for Strong Families' (PSF) Family Resource Centers as well as the Community Resource Navigators. PSF's Family Resource Center Network includes two Gainesville Family Resource Centers and the Community Resource Navigation (CRN) Program. All of the services provided by PSF's Family Resource Center Network are tied to one of five protective factors, which when present in families are known to reduce the risk of abuse or neglect. FRC/CRN staff help families and individuals to meet their immediate needs (e.g., food, clothing, housing), identify strengths, set obtainable goals (e.g., finances, employment, education, mental health), and connect with existing community resources.

In 2024, CTAC partnered with PSF to implement a consulting program designed to assist public groups and organizations within Alachua County, who are interested in developing or enhancing a Family Resource Center within their own municipality. PSF Consulting focuses on communities that have experienced historically limited access to resources, with the goal of increasing access to quality family support services to Alachua County residents.

In addition, Help Me Grow has been integrated with in the Family Resource Center Model.

This report will share an update for 2024 and action for 2025.

### Programmatic Impact:

Goal 1: Children & Youth Are Healthy and Have Naturing Caregivers and Relationships

### Fiscal Impact:

Family Resource Centers/Community Resource Navigators/ Help Me Grow \$863,477.00 Consulting \$177,023

# Recommendation:

The Board is asked to receive this update.