



CHILDREN'S TRUST
OF ALACHUA COUNTY

CHILDREN'S TRUST REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

September 17, 2026 at 4:00 PM

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

CHAIR CHANCE called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mary Chance (Chair), Ken Cornell (Vice Chair), Lee Pinkoson (Treasurer), Tina Certain, Bob Page, Dr. Lisa Tate, Melissa Walker

Board Members Attending Virtually: Dr. Nancy Hardt, Judge Phillip A. Pena

Installation of New Board Members

Chair Chance administered the oath of office to new Board Members Dr. Lisa Tate and Bob Page, both gubernatorial appointees.

Member Cornell moved for the approval of the consent and regular agenda. Member Pinkoson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

1. Board Attendance YTD
2. 8.10.2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
3. 8.10.2026 Regular Board Meeting Evaluation - Survey Results
4. FY 2026 Budget Report (July)
5. FY 2026 Checks and Expenditures (July)
6. FY 2026 Checks Programmatic Awards and Expenditures Report (July)
7. Sponsorship Requests

General Public Comments - none

Chair's Report

Chair Chance announced the CTAC Community Champions Awards nominations are open.

Executive Director's Report

8. September ED report - Executive Director Marsha Kiner gave special recognition and a farewell bouquet to outgoing Board Member, Dr. Maggie Labarta. Board Members shared memories and expressed gratitude for her years of service and leadership at the Trust since inception.

Rotary Youth Exchange Student - ED Kiner introduced Jay Hunt to the Board. Hunt shared her experiences and lessons learned during her Rotary Youth Exchange study abroad trip to Brazil funded in part by Sunrise Rotary and CTAC. Dan Rodkin (Sunrise Rotary Club Member) shared information about the Rotary Youth Exchange program and how collaboration between programs (CTAC, Dream on Purpose, and Rotary) led to Jay's opportunity. Rotary is currently recruiting students for the 27-28 academic year. Interested applicants can find information online at rye6970.org.

CTAC Culture statement follow up - ED Kiner thanked staff for leaning into the development process as the team culture is implemented into daily practice.

Boys and Girls Club contract termination update – ED Kiner referred the Board to the FYI section of the meeting packet and reported that the Club was able to find alternate funding for the affected students.

Committee Updates – none

Presentations – none

Old Business

9. Gun Violence Initiatives Update

Kristy Goldwire, CTAC Chief Operating Officer, introduced guest presenters Brandi Stone (Director of Community Health Initiatives – Gainesville Fire Rescue/City of Gainesville) and Brittany Coleman (Gun Violence Intervention Program Manager - City of Gainesville), who provided a brief update on the City of Gainesville's gun violence prevention programs. As of mid-August, approximately \$98,471.21 remains from the original program budget. Approximately 75% of the funds have been spent thus far. Corey Collins (Youth Steering Committee GNV) reported on the contract CTAC funded through May. YSC is currently prioritizing recruitment of new members and working with high schools as well as CTAC providers (Mirror Image, GPals, Made for More, and Strong-Minded Mentoring) to encourage program participation. CommuniTEEN events have been very successful – they recently had one at Pace Center for Girls. Coleman provided an update on the gun violence prevention strategic plan. A coordination workshop is scheduled for October 12th after which they will start moving forward on priority areas. Performance measures for the Violence Interrupters program shows many measures exceeding targets, citing over 3,000 field contacts. Member Certain asked for clarification on the 26 conflicts with unknown outcomes reported. Coleman explained that based on the field notes, the team was unable to determine the aftereffect. Member Pinkoson inquired why the technology hub utilization outcomes did not meet the targets and was informed the difference is due to program estimations at time of application. Judge Pena asked if the data on mitigated conflicts is cross-referenced with law enforcement reports. Coleman explained the information they receive is more on a macro level, however they do not cross-reference specific individuals.

Member Cornell moved to recess the regular meeting at 5:01 pm to hold the first TRIM Hearing. Member Pinkoson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Chair Chance **called the meeting back to order at 5:29 pm**

Coleman concluded the presentation with technology hub programmatic highlights – spotlighting successful collaborations with community programs such as Filming with a Purpose, Oakview Community Center, Nehemiah Project, Infinite Dream Builders, Pineridge Community Center and others, which ensures the program continues to make an impact.

Stone requested to carry forward the remaining \$98,000 to fund continued Violence Interruption services through December 31, 2026. Member Cornell lauded the City for taking the lead on this issue and asked what the program's funding plan is after CTAC subsidy ends.

Member Cornell moved to approve the City of Gainesville's request to carry forward the remaining funds through December 2026, with the city bringing back a final report that includes data reporting how youth were served through those funds. Member Pinkoson seconded the motion. During discussion of the motion, Dr. Hardt asked about the reduction in shots fired and requested more data. She also questioned if Trust funds are being spent on adults. Coleman responded that the majority of their services are focused on youth. Member Walker commented that it is very important to tie in with law enforcement and suggested assigning numbers to clients in order to track/collect data. Judge Pena stated his willingness to contribute to future workshops he might be able to help with. Chair Chance suggested Judge Pena be included in future conversations. There was no public comment on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Carl Smart (Executive Liaison for Public Safety and Community Relations, Alachua County) updated the Board on gun violence prevention grant expenditures and plans for remaining contracts. The Board received an updated copy of slide 4 reporting \$118,709.56 grant funds remaining to date. Contracted organizations have until September 30th to complete their work and October 15th to submit their reimbursement requests. Member Pinkoson clarified that there are still outstanding bills on October 15th. Whatever leftover dollars go unspent will be returned to the Trust. Member Page commented that he likes the concept of gun-prevention taught in after-school programs. Dr. Hardt expressed disappointment and requested the Trust figure out a better way to fund gun violence intervention programming. Member Cornell voiced his agreement with Dr. Hardt and clarified no action is needed, as the contract is ending.

Judge Pena agreed that if an organization wants money, they should be able to prove they are capable of providing the services. Pena further stated a conversation needs to take place with the schools to collaborate and get the best access to the children. ED Kiner reminded the Board that these contracts were done through the County, not CTAC. In response to Smart's memo, Certain stated she is confident that not all organizations are having problems fulfilling contracts.

Public Comment

Dr. Vincent Miller (Executive Director - Aces in Motion) commented that programs write grants for very specific reasons. He expressed appreciation for what was provided and a need for there to be an eco-system for true prevention as well as better communication and timing.

Shareen Baptiste (President and Co-founder - Dream on Purpose) stated that all the funds have been expended for the gun violence initiative and will be submitting for reimbursement prior to the end of the contract period. Baptiste extended sincere gratitude to the Trust and Sunrise Rotary for their sponsorship of Jay Hunt as well as funding for Filming with a Purpose.

Dr. Labarta (Citizen) commented that there is nothing harder to establish than prevention. A needs assessment must take place first to determine if programming make sense and should be funded.

10. Fiscal Year 2027 Tentative Budget – addressed during TRIM hearing.

New Business

General Public Comments

Board Member Comments

Member Cornell reiterated how much he will miss Dr. Labarta and directed the Board's attention to the expenditures report. The Trust may have some tough decisions to make if Amendment 3 passes. Cornell echoed Judge Pena's statement that safety through schools is needed and asked, "What do we do for safety going forward in the next budget cycle?" Cornell believes the Superintendent and CTAC ED need to have regular communication to ensure the needs are known and can be met.

Member Certain shared that Aces in Motion had two students who wrote winning essays for the US Tennis Association's essay contest. Congratulations to Kyle Sims-Francois and Akeem Thompson.

Chair Chance reminded the Board the ED evaluation is due Monday. She also asked the Board to help promote the CTAC Awards nominations and Special Needs surveys, which are both open.

For Your Information items were provided for informational purposes:

11. Boys and Girls Club Contract Termination Follow Up

Next Meeting Dates

Special Meeting - First TRIM Hearing - Monday, September 17, 2026 @ 5:01 pm

Regular Board Meeting - Monday, September 28, 2026 @ 4:00 pm

Special Meeting - Final TRIM Hearing - Monday, September 28, 2026 @ 5:01 pm

Chair Chance adjourned the meeting at 6:36 pm



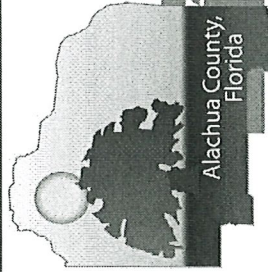
Children's Trust Board Meeting

Sign - In Sheet

09/17/2026 from 4pm-6pm

Name	Organization	Email
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Yanel Casanova	PALS	
Bob Page	Board	
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Sharde Goodlee	Goodwill	sgoodlee@goodwillnorthfla.org
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Izzy Brazzel	GCC	izzy@gainesvillecircus.com
Carl Smart	Alachua County	csmart@alachuacounty.us
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James Daby	James Daby City of Gainesville	James.Daby@cityofgainesville.org

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Gun Violence Prevention Grants



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Organization	Grant Amount	Amount Expended	Amount Remaining	Expenditure Status
Community Impact	\$26,606.25	In process	\$26,606.25	Intends to expend total funds
Dream on Purpose	\$26,606.25	In process	\$26,606.25	Intends to expend total funds
Project YouthBuild	\$26,606.25	\$15,373.18	\$11,233.07	Intends to expend total funds
Gainesville Thrives	\$26,606.25	\$16,831.73	\$9,774.52	Intends to expend total funds
IGB Education	\$26,606.25	\$25,843.19	\$763.06	Intends to expend total funds
Infinite Dream Builders	\$26,606.25	\$5,010.00	\$21,596.25	Contract withdrawn
Kids Count	\$26,606.25	\$18,294.99	\$8,311.26	Intends to expend total funds
Peak Literacy	\$26,606.25	\$19,250.35	\$7,355.90	Intends to expend total funds
Gainesville Area Tennis	\$10,000.00	\$3,537.00	\$6,463.00	Intends to expend total funds
Totals	\$222,850	\$104,140.44	\$118,709.56	

City of
Gainesville



Gainesville Police Department

Crime Statistics

August 2026



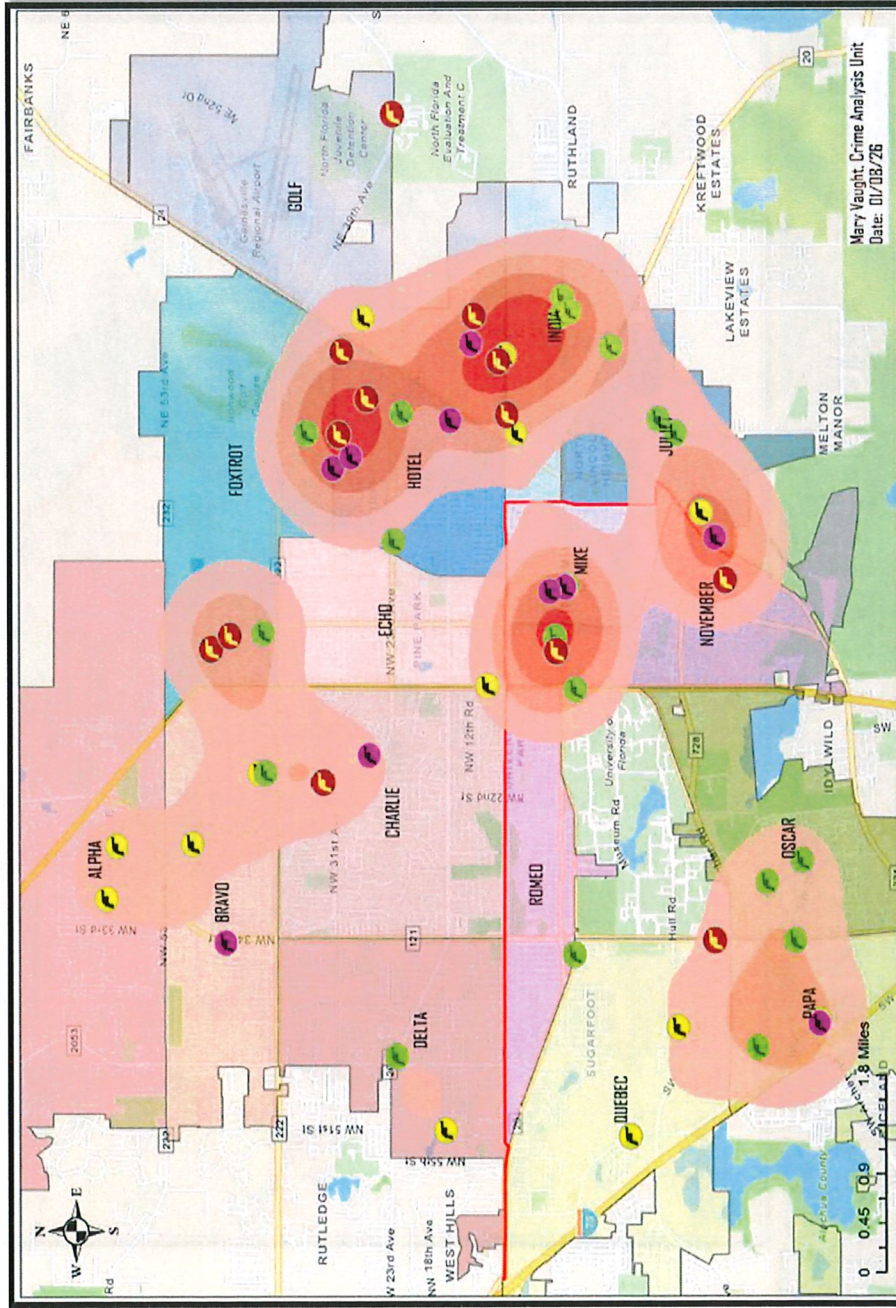
2023-2026 GPD Crime Statistics - NIBRS YTD thru August 31st, 2026

Gainesville Police Department									
Crime Statistics January 1 - August 31, 2026									
	2023	2024	2025	2026	3 Year Average	% Change 2025-2026			
Violent Crimes									
Homicide	8	8	3	8	6.33	166.67			
Homicide (THI)	1	3	2	0	1.67	-100.00			
Rape	108	96	98	117	103.67	19.39			
Robbery	109	140	78	87	101.67	11.54			
Aggravated Assault	465	438	402	438	426.00	8.96			
Total	691	685	583	650	639.33	11.49			
Property Crimes									
Burglary	333	311	254	214	259.67	-15.75			
Larceny	2615	2267	2001	1815	2027.67	-9.30			
Auto Theft	346	258	190	106	184.67	-44.21			
Total	3294	2836	2445	2135	2472.00	-12.68			
Grand Total	3985	3521	3028	2785	3111.33	-8.03			
Burglary to Conveyance	676	419	356	282	352.33	-20.79			
Motorcycle Thefts	28	17	15	7	13.00	-53.33			
Retail Theft	747	776	778	678	744.00	-12.85			

Note: NIBRS counts the number of Incidents, not the number of victims. This report comes from Records.



Shots Fired Calls (January 1 - December 31, 2025)



Mary Vaught, Crime Analysts Unit
Date: 01/08/26

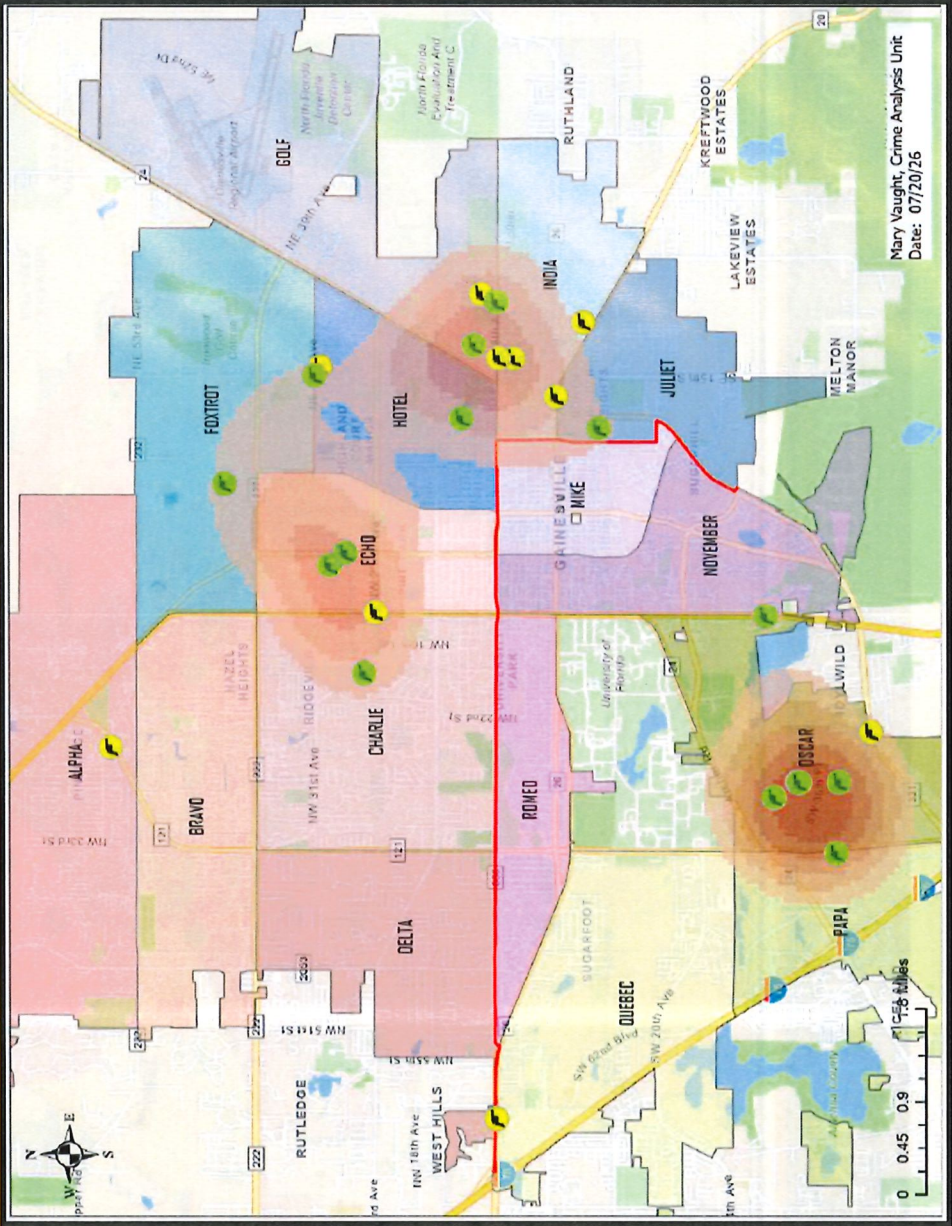
Jan 1 to March 31, 2025 (Yellow)	Apr 1 to June 30, 2025 (Green)	Jul 1 to Sep 30, 2025 (Pink)	Oct 1 to Dec 31, 2025 (Red)
16	21	13	14

Legend

- Shots Fired 1st Qtr 2025
- Shots Fired 2nd Qtr 2025
- Shots Fired 3rd Qtr 2025
- Shots Fired 4th Qtr 2025



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Legend

Shots Fired 1st QTR 2026

Shots Fired 2nd QTR 2026

Mary Vaught, Crime Analysis Unit
Date: 07/20/26



GPD Gun Related Statistics

Crime	2023	2024	2025
Stolen Firearms**	200 (129 Conveyance Burglary)	109 (59 Conveyance Burglary)	138 (94 Conveyance)
Firearms Seized/Recovered by LEO***	305	274	279
Number of Shots Fired	147	130	64
Number of Persons Shot or Injured by Gunfire	60	41	15
Homicide Victims**	14 Incidents (16 Deaths)	8 Incidents (7 Gun Related Deaths)	3
Suicide (From ME)	24	22	14

** Numbers can change due to updates in RMS. Numbers current as of 01/06/26

***Numbers include any firearms seized as a result of criminal activity, as well as instances where a firearm was located, and could not be tracked back to an owner (i.e. found firearm with no record of being stolen and no owners located).

GPD YTD Gun Related Statistics



Crime	YTD – 08/31/26
Stolen Firearms*	55 (32 Conveyance Burglary)
Firearms Seized/Recovered by LEO**	122
Number of Shots Fired*	34
Number of Persons Shot or Injured by a Gunfire*	15 (3 Accidental)
Homicides *	8 (5 Gun Related)

* Numbers can change due to updates in RMS. Current as of 09/09/26.

**Numbers include any firearms seized as a result of criminal activity, as well as instances where a firearm was located, and could not be tracked back to an owner (i.e. found firearm with no record of being stolen and no owners located).



GPD Monthly Gun Related Statistics

Crime	August 2025	August 2026	% Change
Stolen Firearms*	6 (5 Conveyance Burglary)	6 (3 Conveyance Burglary)	0%
Firearms Seized/Recovered by LEO**	10	6	-40%
Number of Shots Fired*	2	5	+150%
Number of Persons Shot or Injured by a Gunfire*	0	1	N/A
Homicides *	0	1 (0 Gun Related)	N/A

* Numbers can change due to updates in RMS. Current as of 09/08/26.

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OATH OF OFFICE

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I, **Dr. Lisa Tate**, 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)

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Submitted and sworn to before me this 17th day of September, 2026.

(Signed)

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mary Chance", written over a horizontal line.

Mary Chance, Board Chair

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



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I, **Bob Page**, 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)

A blue ink signature of Bob Page, consisting of a stylized 'B' and 'P', written over a horizontal line.

Submitted and sworn to before me this 17th day of September, 2026.

(Signed)

A blue ink signature of Mary Chance, written in a cursive style, over a horizontal line.

Mary Chance, Board Chair

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