



CHILDREN'S TRUST
OF ALACHUA COUNTY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

March 1, 2024 - April 1, 2024

SUMMARY

1. Thank you to ELC for the Partnership & Funding of BLI
2. Kudos to Staff

MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR PLANNING, COORDINATION, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT		
DATE	MEETING / EVENT	SUMMARY
3/4	ELC Outreach Committee Meeting	ED Kiner participated in the meeting planning for upcoming ELC events.
3/4	Caring & Sharing Learning School Road Dedication	ED Kiner attended the road dedication recognizing Dr. Simon & Mrs. Verna Johnson.
3/4	Meeting with Sunrise Rotary Representative	ED Kiner met with Dr. Dan Rodkin about a partnership between the Trust and Sunrise Rotary for the Youth Exchange Program/Outbound Student Program.
3/5	Alachua Chamber	ED Kiner and L. Cayson attended the Alachua Chamber monthly meeting. Guest speaker was Diyonne McGraw, Alachua County School Board Chair. Photos taken and posted on social media.
3/6	DCF ITN Reviewer/Negotiator Training Session	ED Kiner participated in the DCF ITN Negotiator Training for Circuit 3 & 8.
3/7	High Springs Woman's Club General meeting	L. Cayson attended the monthly meeting. Updates provided by committee members on upcoming events and fundraisers. Boxes of cereal and cloth towels were collected and donated to the local pantry.
3/7	Alachua County Campaign for Grade Level Reading	Mia Jones attended this community literacy meeting held monthly. A presentation was completed by Faith Nobles with the Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County.
3/7	UF Health Shands Children's Hospital - Pediatrics Injury Prevention	ED Kiner, K. Goldwire and L. Cayson met with Amy Berger and Jordyn Zyngier to learn more about the Pediatric Trauma Injury Prevention and Outreach programs.

3/11	Opioid Campaign Discussion	ED Kiner, K. Rabin, Mayor Jordan Marlowe, and Claudia Tuck met to discuss the application for an Opioid and Drug Prevention Marketing Campaign for youth county-wide.
3/12	High Springs Woman's Club - Education Committee	L. Cayson attended the Education committee meeting. Discussed Library week -the committee will donate refreshments every day of the week. The Education Committee is responsible for the Spaghetti fundraiser on the first Monday of May. The group posted Woman's Club labels on books that will be read to children at the daycare centers. Each child will be given a free children's book purchased by the Woman's Club.
3/12	5th Ave Neighborhood Association meeting	L. Cayson attended the monthly meeting. The Gainesville PD provided an update from issues that were raised at the February meeting. The officer encouraged members to continue to lock car doors to prevent burglaries. The members discussed updating bylaws.
3/13	Meeting with School Board Chair Diyonne McGraw	ED Kiner, K. Goldwire, and M. Jones met with Chair McGraw to discuss the Comprehensive Literacy Plan Needs Assessment and the school district's participation.
3/13	Meeting with ELC	ED Kiner, K. Goldwire, and M. Jones met with ELC CEO Xaviera White, CFO Steven Harris, and Dir. of Family Services - Angela Moore to discuss ELC ARPA funding of the Business Leadership Institute.
3/15	Safety Net Meeting- UF Healthstreet	L. Cayson attended the meeting. The guest speaker for this month was Cherisse Britton, Fl Dept. of Health Community Health Worker Program Administrator. Ms. Britton provided an overview about the Community Health Worker program.
3/15	CAP Meeting	ED Kiner, K. Goldwire, and B. Wagner met with Jaye Athy and Tom Tonkavich to discuss Reporting Metrics.

3/16	Archer Progressive Cultural Organization Dr. MLK Banquet	ED Kiner gave the keynote address at the Banquet.
3/18	Children's Home Society Meeting	ED Kiner, K. Goldwire, and M. Jones met with CHS leaders to discuss the partnership with the Community School and possible opportunities to expand the program to other schools.
3/18	Literacy Planning with the Lastinger Center	ED Kiner, M. Jones, and K. Goldwire met with Dr. Pullen to provide an update on the funding of the Needs Assessment and to discuss a timeline for work completion.
3/20	2024 Gainesville American Values Dinner event	L. Cayson attended the Boy's Scouts event on Marsha's behalf. Photos were taken and posted on social media.
3/23	Gainesville For All - Growing Greatness Spring Celebration	ED Kiner and L. Cayson attended the event. A resource table with information was provided. Along with CTAC t-shirts and corn hole games for children and families to enjoy. Photos were taken and posted on social media.
3/25	Alachua Commission Meeting	L. Cayson attended the meeting. Several special presentations were made. 1st-Children from Irby Elementary school received certificates from the Mayor for participating in Dr. Martin Luther King Day Art Celebration Day. 2nd-Youth Advisory Council revised certificates for their work with collecting hygiene items for students at Santa Fe High School. Local businesses and volunteers received certificates for their contributions. 3rd-City of Alachua's Finance Dept., received Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 13th consecutive year by The Government Finance Officers Association of the US & Canada. 4th-Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation presented to Partnership for Strong Families. The Partnership said there were 187 cases in Alachua County, 229 youth, 86 in-home services, and

		21,000 served. Partnership for Strong Families thanked several of their supporters, including the Children’s Trust.
3/25	Gainesville Thriving Project Meeting	ED Kiner met with the Gainesville Thriving Project representatives to discuss Phase 3 of the Project and any overlap in areas identified as Trust initiatives and Project focus priorities.
3/25	Joint City & County Commission Meeting	ED Kiner attended the joint meeting to learn of city and county gun violence initiatives and planning for youth.
3/26	Gainesville Fire Rescue’s Community Resource ParaMedicine -10 Year Celebration	L. Cayson attended Gainesville Fire Rescue Community Resource ParaMedicine 10th year celebration. The evening event highlighted several staff members speaking about how the program started and how it’s becoming a model. Several states have requested staff to speak at conferences to talk about this wonderful community preventative program. Staff recently returned from speaking at a conference in Nashville. The Children’s Trust sponsors the Healthy Afternoons with Gainesville Fire Rescue and CTAC staff host a resource table at these events.
3/26	Circuit 8 Juvenile Justice Advisory Board Meeting	ED Kiner attended the meeting. Discussions about overcrowding at the Detention Center and longer than normal wait-times for youth. Youth at the Center do not have anything to do which is resulting in fights and youth getting in more trouble with felony charges. No services are provided to youth in the Detention Center. ED Kiner asked to meet with Major Harris, Superintendent for the Detention Center to discuss how the Trust may be able to assist.
3/26	Meeting with ELC New CEO	ED Kiner met with the new CEO of the ELC, Xaviera White. Board development and engagement as well as Ms. White’s vision for the ELC was discussed.
3/27	Greater Gainesville Chamber’s Alachua Co. Delegation Post Legislative Session Luncheon	ED Kiner and L. Cayson attended.

3/27	Choice Neighborhood Steering Committee Meeting	D. Tyson attended the hybrid Gainesville Housing Authority Meeting to discuss East University Ave Choice Neighborhood Redevelopment Project. The meeting focused on strategy to engage the community and envision the neighborhood.
3/28	Newberry Chamber of Commerce	L. Cayson attended a networking event hosted by Newberry Chamber at Campus USA.
3/28	Relay for Life	L. Cayson attended the Relay for Life meeting. CTAC will participate in Relay for Life. We will have a team. The event will take place on Friday, 4/26 at Hal Brady Recreation Center in Alachua.
3/28	SIMED Health	ED Kiner met with SIMED Health leaders and toured their offices through a shadowing event with Leadership Gainesville. She was able to discuss the upcoming RFP on Access to Healthcare and shared the need for RFP reviewers.

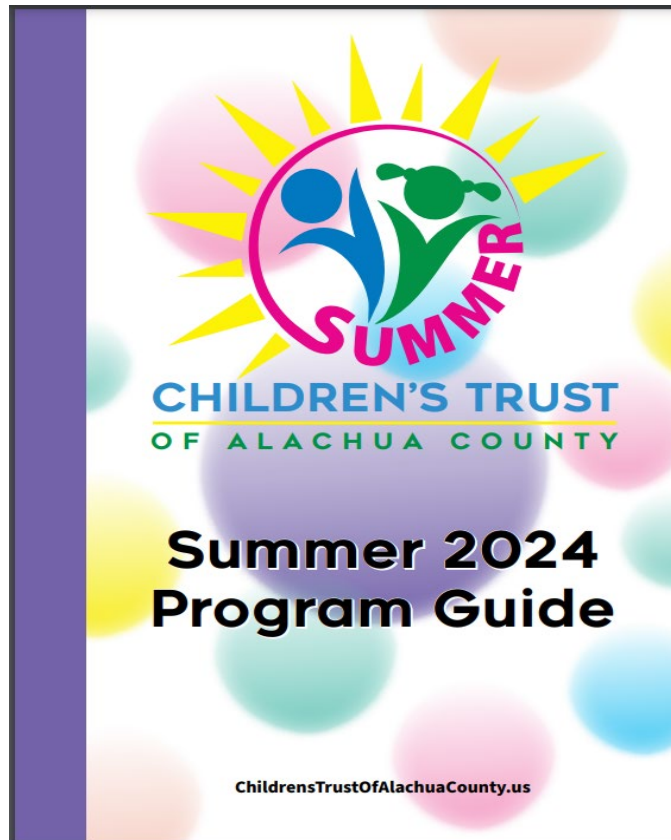
PROGRAMS CALENDAR

March	
Monday, March 4, 2024	Children's Trust Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 5, 2024	Access to Comprehensive Care RFP - Internal Planning and Discussion Meeting
Wednesday, March 6, 2024	Webauthor and CTAC Meeting
Thursday, March 7, 2024	Alachua County Campaign for Grade Level Reading
Thursday, March 7, 2024	Literacy Follow-up Meeting with Alachua County School District and PEAK Literacy
Thursday, March 7, 2024	FACCT Policy Meeting
Thursday, March 7, 2024	Campaign for Grade Level Reading Advisory Committee
Friday, March 8, 2024	BEAM Postpartum Training Planning Meeting
Monday, March 11, 2024	Introduction meeting with Center for Thriving Communities
Monday, March 11, 2024	Introduction meeting with Dr. Adetola Louis-Jacques
Wednesday, March 13, 2024	Webauthor and CTAC Meeting
Wednesday, March 13, 2024	Introduction and Follow-up meeting with ELC
Wednesday, March 13, 2024	Diyonne McGraw - Comprehensive Literacy Planning Discussion
Thursday, March 14, 2024	Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County Quality Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2024	FACCT Policy Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2024	FACCT Research Affinity Group
Monday, March 18, 2024	GEZ Follow-up Meeting
Monday, March 18, 2024	Lastinger Comprehensive Literacy Planning Meeting
Monday, March 18, 2024	PEAK Literacy Discussion
Monday, March 18, 2024	System Transformation Working Group
Tuesday, March 19, 2024	SAMIS S3 Collaboration Meeting
Tuesday, March 19, 2024	Florida Campaign for Grade Level Reading
Wednesday, March 20, 2024	ELC Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024	Webauthor and CTAC Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024	North Central Community Review Team Meeting
Thursday, March 21, 2024	FACCT Policy Meeting
Thursday, March 21, 2024	Summer Camp Kick Off Training
Friday, March 22, 2024	Maternal Child Health Community Investment with CSC Palm Beach
Saturday, March 23, 2024	BLI Master Class Session 3 Financial Management
Saturday, March 23, 2024	Growing Greatness Spring Celebration
Monday, March 25, 2024	Children's Trust Board Workshop on RFP Development - Special Meeting
Monday, March 25, 2024	Head Start Summer Bridge Follow-up Meeting
Tuesday, March 26, 2024	Programs Team Meeting
Tuesday, March 26, 2024	Central, Marion, + North Central Community Action Group FIMR Information
Wednesday, March 27, 2024	Webauthor and CTAC Meeting
Wednesday, March 27, 2024	CTAC and ELC ARPA Funding Follow-up Meeting
Thursday, March 28, 2024	Healthy Start North Central Florida Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, March 28, 2024	Vital Village Network 2024 Community Steering Committee
Thursday, March 28, 2024	Summer Camp SAMIS Fiscal Training
April	
Tuesday, April 2, 2024	Lastinger Literacy Planning Meeting
Thursday, April 4, 2024	Alachua County Campaign for Grade Level Reading
Friday, April 5, 2024	Pinwheel Planting
Friday, April 5, 2024	Community Doula Project Introduction Meeting
Friday, April 5, 2024	BEAM Postpartum Training Planning Meeting
Monday, April 8, 2024	Children's Trust Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 9, 2024	NCIT Steering Committee Bi-Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, April 9, 2024	Anita Zucker Center Focus Group with Dr. Mathien and Dr. Rodgers
Wednesday, April 10, 2024	System Transformation Working Group
Thursday, April 11, 2024	Youth Health Request for Proposal Released, Cone of Silence Begins
Thursday, April 11, 2024	NCIT Quarterly
Monday, April 15, 2024	Comprehensive Literacy Planning Committee
Tuesday, April 16, 2024	The Future Call: Conversations on Florida's Early Learning Future
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	System Transformation Working Group
Thursday, April 18, 2024	FACCT Policy Affinity Group
Friday, April 19, 2024	BEAM Postpartum Training Planning Meeting
Monday, April 22, 2024	Youth Health RFP - Bidders' Conference
Tuesday, April 23, 2024	Roadmap Advisory
Tuesday, April 23, 2024	SAMIS and Fiscal Training with Head Start Summer Bridge
Saturday, April 27, 2024	BLI Master Class Session 4 Human Resources and Real Estate
Tuesday, April 30, 2024	The Future Call: Conversations on Florida's Early Learning Future

INITIATIVES

The Children's Trust of Alachua County's 2024 Summer Programs Guide is now available below. This digital version has clickable page numbers and links to take you right to the programs that interest you.

- 20 funded providers, some with multiple locations and dates.
- Reaches rising K-12 students.
- 1,275 full or partial scholarship spaces available.
- Locations in Alachua, Archer, Gainesville, Hawthorne, High Springs and Micanopy.
- Serving interests like:
 - Arts and the performing arts
 - Environmental issues
 - Exposure to college and potential career paths
 - Science and technology
 - Sports and outdoor activities
 - Summer slide prevention



<https://www.childrenstrustofalachuacounty.us/programs/page/find-summer-program-your-child>

PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND EVALUATION

SAMIS Implementation

- CTAC staff facilitated training with:
 - TeensWork Alachua (3/22/2024) - 6 staff in attendance.
 - Summer Camps (3/28/2024) - 27 staff in attendance.
- Support provider staff beginning to enter programmatic and fiscal information into our information management system (SAMIS).
- Designed and distributed internal staff SAMIS “how to” training videos and materials.
- Participation in coordination and development meetings:
 - SAMIS Collaborative Inventory Meeting (3/12/2024)
 - SAMIS Collaborative Metrics Meeting (3/13/2024)
 - Biweekly SAMIS Internal Check-in (3/1, 3/15, and 3/26)
- Configuring, customizing, and testing picklists, features, requirements, and functionality for summer programs (e.g., TeensWork, Head Start Summer Bridge, Summer Camps).
- Designed, developed, and distributed provider training materials (e.g., PowerPoints, “how to” guides, and videos).
- Submit and oversee tickets for SAMIS enhancements.
- Developing views and reporting for Trust and provider staff to monitor data entered.

Program Development, Monitoring, & Renewals

- Review and development of performance measures, data collection, and monthly reporting for new and continuing programs.
 - Developed performance measures and data collection/reporting requirements for (1) mentoring mini grants and (2) Youth Health RFP.
- Provider meetings/evaluation discussions with program staff to review results and discuss data collection, and performance measures.
 - Summer Kick Off (on 3/21/2024): Facilitated presentation of 2023 summer camp results, CQI, review of summer 2024 performance measures and data collection.

- Provided reporting deliverables - *End of Year Report* and *Program Reflection survey* - to programs with contracts ending 3/31/2024 (i.e., Project YouthBuild, Peaceful Paths, Operation Full STEAM, and New Tech Now).

Continuous Quality Improvement

- Distribute CQI reports to all providers.
- Meet/correspond with program staff to discuss results.
- Analyze CQI results, synthesize and report findings.

Collaboratives/Committees/Professional Memberships:

- Participated in a Qualitative Data Visualization class facilitated by Stephanie Evergreen on 3/22/2024.
- Met with Alachua County CAP Manager to share resources and information on developing performance measures and data reporting for grantees on 3/15/2024.
- Participated in Summer Planning Bootcamp facilitated by the National Summer Learning Association on 3/6/2024 & 3/7/2024.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

February 2024 Checks & Expenditure Reports

February 2024 Budget Reports:

1. Income Statement
2. Balance Sheet

Programmatic Award and Expense Report

SUCCESS STORIES

PEAK Literacy Program shared these comments from participants' parents. We are grateful to hear personal stories of successful impacts in our community.

"I was skeptical at first as to what progress my daughter could make in 15-minute tutoring sessions. I was wrong! This program is excellent, and I would recommend it to every parent because the improvement my daughter has made is just unbelievable. She comes across new words and sounds them out correctly. She keeps coming home with 100's on her tests. I even enrolled her younger brother so he can get ahead."

"I think the program is amazing. We are so grateful for the growth our daughter has experienced. Her testing scores went up by over 100 points in the 4 months she's been receiving tutoring. I hope more parents take advantage of this opportunity!"

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Success story shared from Partnership for Strong Families Family Resource Center

A single mother of five children came to the Resource Center requesting concrete supports and utilities assistance. She was unable to cover these expenses due to being on a fixed income and having an unexpected vehicle repair. The Resource Center was able to assist by providing bookbags, school supplies, pull-ups, and hygiene items for the family. The mother was also connected with Community Action Agency, who paid a portion of the utility bill. The Resource Center was able to assist with the remainder of the bill through a women's scholarship program, also setting goals with the mother for her family's future.