



Children's Services Council
of Broward County
Our Focus is Our Children.



THANK YOU!

2013-2014 Annual Report

Letter from the Council Chair, Robin Bartleman



Thank You!

Two simple words that do not begin to express the depth of gratitude we at the Children's Services Council feel towards all those who worked tirelessly to ensure that the children and families of Broward County would continue to have access to the services they need.

Thank You! first and foremost to the 322,000 + who voted in favor of keeping the CSC.

Thank You! to the community partners who recognized the key role that CSC plays in leading community efforts to improve the lives of children. They recognized that the future of the CSC was vital to the health of Broward County but that CSC itself could not advocate for its reauthorization. So, while CSC educated the community about the worth of the work we do, others provided the advocacy. Organizations like the Community Foundation of Broward, the Broward Workshop, United Way, the Jewish Federation and hundreds of individuals came together under the umbrella of Citizens for Broward's Children to make sure the residents of Broward knew of the impact of the CSC.

Thank You! to all those who provided us with the opportunity to speak to their boards, their staff, their homeowners and civic associations, their city commissions and constituencies, their parent meetings and more. Because of them, the CSC will continue to fund services for young mothers to be, so their babies are born healthy and stay safe and nurtured; to provide out of school time programming for thousands of low income children and children with special needs; to provide funding for pre-k slots to build the foundation so that all children are reading at grade level by 3rd grade; to support programs that ensure children don't go hungry; to help grandparents and other relatives taking care of children not their own receive support so those children can continue living in familiar, safe environments; to help foster care youth transition into adulthood with the support they need to succeed; to fund programs that help teenagers who have had a brush with the law get back on the right path and secure a productive future; and to give hundreds of low income youth and youth with special needs the opportunity to earn their first pay check and be proud of their contribution to society.

Thank You! to the staff of the CSC, led by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and her executive team, for managing an organization that can proudly say it effectively and efficiently invests taxpayers' dollars to create a stronger community and a better future for all. They do what they do daily not just as a job, but as their passion.

And **Thank You!** to my fellow Council Members, all of whom meticulously and diligently ensure that every dollar spent by the CSC results in impacting positively all children and families.

A particular and resounding **Thank You!** to retiring County Commissioner Sue Gunzburger. Sue has been the Commission appointee to the Council from day one in March 2001. She helped lay the foundation of accountability through her unwavering commitment to outcomes. Her passion for ensuring that children are not only served but that their lives are changed as a result of the services they received will live on indefinitely.

In 2000, the voters of Broward County took a leap of faith and created the CSC. For the past 13 years, the CSC has worked hard to ensure that trust was well-placed by improving the lives of hundreds of thousands of children and their families. The last two years have been remarkable, and now, a new day begins: It has been a privilege to serve as Chair of the Council through this process that culminated on November 4th. I truly appreciate your support and confidence in the Children's Services Council and our mission. We look forward to continue providing the leadership, advocacy and resources needed so that all children in Broward County can grow up to be responsible, productive, healthy adults. And for that we say: **Thank You!**

Robin Bartleman

Council Members



Seated, left to right: Judge Martin Dishowitz; Robin Bartleman, Chair; Kim Gorsuch, Vice-Chair; Commissioner Sue Gunzburger
Standing: Ana Valladares, Supt. Robert Runcie; Elyse Clapood.
Not pictured: Emilio Benitez, Secretary; Tara Phillip; Maria Schneider; Dr. Paula Thaqi.

CSC Year in Review Presentation

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Letter from Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO



It has been a long journey since the State Legislature decided in 2010 that all the Children's Services Councils must go back to the voters for reauthorization. That journey has forced an agency that was happy to be in the background to put itself front and center. As we began that journey, we found out that only 35% of Broward residents knew who we were. And so, we needed to tell the compelling story of the evolution of the Children's Services Council of Broward County (CSC) and the Broward child-serving community since CSC's inception September 5, 2000.

This was not a journey we could take alone. We have so many people and agencies to thank for their support and the megaphone they provided for our story. Happily, we found that once people understood the work and worth of the CSC, they became our champions. Thanks are due to organizations like the Community Foundation of Broward, the Broward Workshop, United Way

Broward, and the Jewish Federation and individuals like Howard Talenfeld, Fred Lippman, Senator Nan Rich, Commissioner Sue Gunzburger, Wendy S. Masi, Marcia Barry-Smith, Margarita Castellon, James Donnelly and so many more who stepped up in a major way to make sure Broward residents understood what was at stake in this election.

Thank you to our Provider Network! I have always said that the CSC can't succeed unless our providers succeed and that has never been clearer. While CSC provides the leadership, vision and funding, it is our providers who work with the children and families and who help those children and families change their lives in ways big and small. Those are the stories you will read in the following pages.

Thank you to all Council Members present and past who have always been committed to transparency, accountability and ensuring maximum dollars are spent in service of Broward's children and families. That is why we can proudly say that 96% of CSC dollars are spent on program services and support. Broward's children have always been at the forefront of the Council's decision making and our community is better off because of it.

I must also thank the dedicated staff of the CSC who I am honored to lead. Their passion and commitment to the success of our children is what makes the difference to the hundreds of thousands of children and families we have served since our inception.

Last but definitely not least, thanks to the voters! November 4th was the culmination of this journey when 76% of the voters said YES to reauthorization! Our commitment to you is that we will continue to adhere to the highest standards of accountability and transparency and will always seek to engage other partners to leverage resources for the greater good: Partners like the Jim Moran Foundation, the Community Foundation of Broward, AD Henderson Foundation, McCormick Foundation, the United Way of Broward County, Broward County Government, Broward County Schools, Broward Sheriff's Office, ChildNet, the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the municipalities we work with and so many more.

As we start a new chapter, we look forward to harnessing all this positive energy into even greater opportunities for the children and families of Broward County. So to you, the great community with whom we share our lives and work, Thank you from the Children's Services Council Members, Staff, Providers and most important: the Children and Families of Broward County!

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer

Cindy Arenberg Seltzer | President/CEO

CSC Management Team



From Left to Right:
Marlando Christie, Director of Management Information Systems;
Sandra Bernard Bastien, Chief Communications Officer; Monti Larsen,
Chief Operating Officer; Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, President/CEO; Karen
Swartzbaugh Ghezzi, Chief Programs Officer; Audrey Stang, Dir. Programs
Services; Sue Gallagher, Dir. Research and Planning.



Members of the Citizens for Broward's Children Committee were instrumental in helping to reauthorize the CSC.

Improving the Lives of Children and Families

CSC Sample Outcomes Supporting Strategic Plan Goals

Education, Trainings and Capacity Building
135 trainings • 2,709 staff trained

Approximately **30,000**
children & families benefiting from improved capacity building

Children Live in Stable & Nurturing Families



96% of families free from abuse 12 months after program completion.
88% of depressed mothers reduced symptoms of their depression.

Children are Mentally & Physically Healthy



82% of students returned to class after clinic visit.
100% of children did not drown after completing swimming lessons since 2012.

Children are Ready to Succeed in School



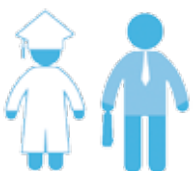
92% of children improved reading skills.
80% of children improved math skills.

Children Live in Safe & Supportive Communities



95% of youth did not reoffend, 12 months post program completion.
79% of youth improved housing stability.

Young People Successfully Transition to Adulthood



94% of youth showed proficiency in employability.
95% of youth with special needs acquired measurable work-related skills.

A breakdown of services in Broward municipalities

The Children's Strategic Plan

The CSC provides leadership and support for the county-wide Children's Strategic Plan. The Plan's committees include nearly 200 organizations and community partners and form a rich network of passionate people working on behalf of children. Using Collective Impact and Results Based Accountability, the Plan is a model for creating a means to reduce duplication of services and efforts, align and maximize resources, and leverage additional dollars for services.

The five goals of the plan are to insure (1) Children live in stable and nurturing families, (2) Children are physically and mentally healthy, (3) Children are ready to succeed in school, (4) Children live in safe and supportive communities and (5) Young people successfully transition to adulthood. In addition, the CSC and the Plan partners work closely with the Broward Schools' Minority Male Success Task Force to increase opportunities and achievement for children with less access to community resources.

The purpose of the Strategic Plan is to help improve the child serving system and ultimately the lives of children and families.

Prosperity Committee: Toolkit

One of the major accomplishments of the Prosperity Committee of the Children's Strategic Plan, was the creation and distribution of the *Prosperity through Growth Daily Living Toolkit*, a how-to-guide with tools and information about how to make improvements to the user's financial health. It is designed to help individuals and families gain the tools to self-sufficiency and healthy lives during difficult economic times. By using 211 as the portal, the Toolkit is designed to provide easy access to a full list of agencies and organizations that provide safety net support services. Additional information includes websites related to specific topic areas.



Drowning Collaborative

- 100%** of 145 families identified by BSO Child Protection Investigators were served.
- 100%** of Aquatic providers increased the number of Mommy & Me water safety instruction participants.
- 100%** of families identified from Water Safety did not experience a drowning incident within one year.



Swim Central

- 100%** of 106,975 children who participated in the swim program have not drowned 3 years after program completion.
- 66%** of 6,676 participants completing between 3 and 6 classes demonstrated an improvement of one or more levels on the revised Water Safety Skills Checklist.
- 80%** of 13,208 participants completing 7 or more classes, with a maximum of 10 classes, demonstrated an improvement of one or more levels on the Water Safety Skills Checklist.



Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC): Baby, TWEEN and T2L Committees

Baby SNAC advocated for the Broward County Schools to increase the capacity for screenings of children with potential disabilities entering their system. By adding two assessment teams and centralizing all services at Wingate Oaks, the system has begun alleviating a backlog that was once 8 months long.

TWEEN SNAC created a survey to help identify possible service gaps that impact the “tween” age group of middle schoolers and distributed it county wide, to identify any service needs and address them through action.

T2L successfully implemented the 2014 Teens Transition to Life Summit. This annual event attracts over 250 teens, family members and professionals with speakers and educational breakouts addressing transition from school to young adulthood. This year, the committee added a service component at its events with a special “211 Access to Benefits” area where participants can apply for services on the spot.



Maternal and Child Health Systems

The Maternal and Child Health Systems Committee put special emphasis on issues related to Substance Exposed Newborns (SEN) and Safe Sleep Practices. This resulted in a community wide SEN Symposium and the production of a training video “Safe Sleep Practices Direct on Scene Education (DOSE)” for first responders now being used nationwide. Both subjects were also covered in episodes of Future First: Focus on Broward’s Children, airing on BECON TV.



Improving the Lives of Children and Families

Pathway out of Poverty

The CSC's Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) initiative increases the number of eligible families who claim the credit through outreach and the use of trained volunteer tax preparers. By funding the free tax-preparation Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites, the CSC helps EITC recipients get their returns filed at no cost by volunteers trained by the IRS. During the 2014 tax season, the CSC-led Broward VITA Collaborative (BVC) coordinated logistics, training and operation of free tax preparation in Broward at 17 VITA sites, including a mobile unit, with returns of \$5.2 Million to Broward residents.



KidCare Outreach

110 outreach events.

Broward enrollment was **196,813** in FY 13/14.

100% of 45 training session participants indicated that the KidCare presenter was effective in communicating program information and processes.



Promoting Physical Fitness

The CSC partnered with the Fort Lauderdale Strikers by funding the *Kicks for Kids* program. In addition to allowing hundreds of children and families served by CSC sponsored programs the possibility of going to a number of professional soccer games at no charge, the partnership also allowed for a number of soccer clinics led by professional soccer players for children in the CSC funded MOST and Youth FORCE programs. The partnership also allows for "CSC Nights", when local soccer fans have an opportunity to learn about services available through CSC funded programs.



KidCare

The Broward County Health Department's KidCare Outreach Program funded by the CSC provides one-on-one application assistance to ensure new and continuous benefit coverage for eligible families. The KidCare outreach program uses a multi-prong approach to address client issues and reduce barriers to KidCare insurance coverage.

The Strikers hosted CSC-funded MOST program youth from First Baptist Church Piney Grove. [Click here for photo gallery](#)



Preventing Childhood Hunger

The CSC works closely with the South Florida Hunger Coalition and its members to prevent childhood hunger in Broward County. In addition to support for the annual Harvest Drive and the Summer Food Boxes program, the Council also supported a pilot project in partnership with the Community Foundation of Broward, Impact Florida, Broward Meals on Wheels, Broward County Housing Authority, Broward Regional Health Planning Council and the South Florida Hunger Coalition that delivered nutritious meals to children living in seven Title I housing complexes. Almost 22,000 meals were provided through this cutting edge project, now being considered a national model.



[Click here for photo gallery from the Summer BreakSpot Mobile Launch](#)

Promoting Adoption and Foster Care

On any given day, there are hundreds of children and youth in the foster care system waiting for the opportunity to be welcomed permanently into loving homes and families. While the CSC has sponsored Forever Family since 2002, in FY 2013-14 it began funding the Heart Gallery of Broward. Adding the photo gallery and kiosk formats to the already existing television and on-line public awareness efforts has helped secure 37 adoptions, including among children with disabilities, those who are older and those in sibling groups.



Effectively Communicating with the Public

As part of the effort to continue to improve public awareness about the work and worth of the CSC, we launched a revamped website on March 1, 2014. The new design allows for easier navigation while providing a clearer picture of the CSC's involvement in the community, and of the impact of our funded programs, our advocacy efforts and our leadership role for the children and families of Broward County. Visit the website at www.cscbroward.org where you can join our mailing list, follow us on social media, find information on Requests for Proposals, and much more.



Ensuring Future Success with Early Health and Education Programs

MOMS

The CSC funds Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress (MOMS) programs that are designed to decrease symptoms of pre/postnatal depression, promote child bonding between mother and child, increase parenting skills and reduce risk factors associated with child abuse and neglect. Programs are delivered through in-home services by knowledgeable and caring health professionals.



MOMS PSA (Spanish)



“I’m so grateful for this program. Kameryn has come a long way.”

- Kameryn’s Mom, Courtney Bohl

Kameryn is one of nearly 5,000 children with special needs who are served by programs funded by the Children’s Services Council of Broward County.

For more information on this and other success stories, visit www.cscbroward.org

Afterschool @ Your Library

Afterschool @Your Library (AS@YL) provides reading activities and homework assistance for elementary students at libraries serving low income neighborhoods, in partnership with the County Libraries Division.

In FY 2013-14, 322 children were served.



Child Care for Vulnerable Populations

Specialized populations including Transition to Independent Living (TIL) Youth and Kinship families are often unable to access subsidized child care due to ineligibility or long waiting lists. This program designates CSC funds to place their children in quality child care until eligibility for state funding is approved or reinstated. In FY 2013-14, 82 children were served.



“With the afterschool program, Conrad has definitely done well with his reading.”

- Conrad’s Mom, Angie Accius

Conrad is one of nearly 12,000 Broward children who improved their reading through programs funded by the Children’s Services Council of Broward County.

For more information on this and other success stories, visit www.cscbroward.org



Curbing Maternal Depression

73% of families participated in all program requirements.

88% of mothers reported fewer symptoms of depression.

94% of infants and children met developmental milestones for communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, and social skills.

100% of families demonstrated improvements in family functioning.





Family Strengthening 2,586 Clients Served

- 83%** of families participated in all program requirements.
- 95%** of parents maintained low stress or decreased their experienced level of parenting stress.
- 92%** of families improved family functioning.
- 96%** of families had no verified abuse findings 12 months post program completion.

Family Strengthening

Family Strengthening programs are the CSC's most significant investment in child abuse prevention. We work in partnership with law enforcement agencies, the Department of Children and Families and ChildNet, among others. Evidence based and best practice interventions are designed to bring stability to families in crisis, families at high risk for out-of-home placement of their children, and families at-risk for child abuse and neglect due to multiple social and environmental factors. Effective parent education also improves family functioning to prevent involvement with the dependency system.



"I learned better ways of disciplining my kids than yelling and spanking. I feel like I am a better parent thanks to this program!"

- KID Participant

Kinship

Kinship programs provide services to maintain stable homes for children and youth in relative and non-relative care to prevent children from entering or re-entering the child welfare system. Two new providers came on board thanks to new funding leveraged from the Jim Moran Foundation, which doubled the program capacity. The National Youth Advocate Program (NYAP) and Harmony Development Center joined the already existing providers, KID and Memorial Healthcare System.



Future First "Kinship" episode

Kinship 389 Clients Served

- 99%** of children did not require foster or institutional care while receiving Kinship services.
- 96%** of families reported satisfaction with Kinship services.



"It is so helpful to talk to people that care, are willing to listen and give great advice to help our family. This program has helped us in many ways. I will be forever grateful!!"

- NYAP Participant



Providing Affordable High Quality Out of School Programs

Maximizing Out of School Time

Maximizing Out of School Time (MOST) programs funded by the CSC and delivered by 15 agencies, provide a safe, positive environment for children that enhances academic achievement, supports social and physical development and provides educational field trips and cultural arts opportunities for general population children as well as those with special needs.

Typical MOST programs serve economically disadvantaged students who attend Title I schools with 80% or higher Free/Reduced Lunch participation. Services are provided afterschool, on some non-school days, days of early release and during the summer with sliding fees assessed based on the family's ability to pay. Academic support is provided daily by certified teachers and rigorous performance measures, effective technical assistance and monitoring of programs and finances ensure high quality services are provided.

MOST Special Needs programs provide a safe, positive environment for children and youth with special physical, developmental and behavioral conditions that enhance academic achievement, support social, developmental and physical activities and provides educational field trips and cultural arts opportunities. Flexible and individualized staff to child ratios promote effective interaction with each child.



“The camp staff is professional and experienced. They allow me to feel confident at work when I leave my child knowing that he is safe and always protected.”

- Parent

**MOST
General Population
8,293 Clients Served**

80% of children improved math.
92% of children improved reading.
100% of children remained safe.

**Special Needs – MOST / Respite
1,407 Clients Served**

80% of children improved reading and language development.
99% of children remained safe.



Respite

CSC funded Respite programs provided by Memorial Healthcare System and Smith Community Mental Health deliver facility-based care and supervised activities to support parents and caregivers of children with severe emotional and behavioral conditions that severely disrupt daily functioning and for whom there are few care options. In FY 2013-14 the Respite program offered the caregivers of 160 children between the ages of 3 and 13-years old opportunities for much needed rest while their children were being appropriately supervised in a safe, fun and enriching environment at a time convenient to the caregivers.

New DAY

CSC funded New DAY programs provide stringent and prearranged services to divert youth with low risk offenses referred by the State Attorney's Office (SAO) from the Juvenile Justice system. Nine organizations reduce recidivism by providing highly-structured interventions that decrease the likelihood of re-offending. Expanded Civil Citation programs are provided to offenders in lieu of arrest as a "2nd chance" for early offenders, at the discretion of law enforcement. During FY 2013-14, partnering law enforcement agencies issued 819 Civil Citations in lieu of detention, thereby allowing the offending youth to maintain a clean slate moving forward.



New DAY

1,562 Clients Served

88% of youth increased their level of protective factors and decreased their level of risk factors.

95% of youth had no re-offenses 0 - 12 months after program completion.

87% of youth successfully completed the program.

"The strongest, best feature of the program is the service learning, because it teaches me new things. I am treated like an actual person rather than a fugitive or a criminal. They treated me like family."

- Pace Center for Girls Client



Youth FORCE
1,544 Participants

100% of participants did not become or cause a pregnancy.

93% of youth decreased risk behaviors.

100% of youth did not obtain any new law violations while in the program.

Youth FORCE

Youth FORCE programs provide robust activities for at-risk middle school students, with an academic theme focusing on literacy in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (S.T.E.A.M.). Some programs have secured grants from NASA and "Girls Get It" to introduce students to STEM activities, such as robotics competitions. Homework assistance and tutoring are provided by certified teachers, as well as prevention education delivered by Teen Outreach Program (TOP) certified staff who are caring, motivated and engaged in their work. USDA snacks and supper are provided to ensure all youth have well-balanced and nutritious food each day.



"They help me achieve my goal, and to do more activities that are beneficial to me and others."

- Participant

MOMS / Maternal Depression

“My life has changed so much because of the MOMS program. They have helped me overcome post-partum depression and helped me become a confident mom! I’m very grateful! I really can’t imagine where I’d be without this program. What a lifesaver! They were so understanding and so welcoming! The in-home counseling is so convenient for new moms suffering from post-partum depression.”

Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Client



BREAK / Respite

“My kids love both the time they spend in the program and the staff as well. They always come home in great moods and enjoy letting us know what they did and experience in the program.”

Memorial Healthcare System Client

Vulnerable Populations Childcare

“This program has helped me in so many ways. I never have to worry about who would have to watch my daughter while I work. My daughter is learning and having fun with other kids.”

Parent



MOST

“This program is so helpful to me and my children. I can’t ask for a better program. The staff is so friendly and loving they are like family. Because of this program I’m able to work knowing my children are safe.”

Sunshine Parent



MOST SN

“My child has done very well. If this was not provided I would not be able to work. His home school does not accommodate him at all. Thank you very much-we love UCP!!!”

UCP Bright Horizons School Parent



STEP

"I love the program because it taught me a lot about preparing for jobs. They are nice people, they are there for us when we need them."

ARC Client

Youth FORCE

"The program staff tell me to be more focused in school and they care about my well-being and my families. They help me with my homework if I don't understand and they also help me buy new clothes for school and for summer camp."

Center for Hearing and Communications Client

Youth FORCE

"When mom and I did not have anything to eat or any rent money they helped us out so we would not be in the street. They help us through our problems, give great advice and the staff is wonderful. They have done a lot for me and put up with a lot and never give up on me."

Smith Community Mental Health Client

New DAY

"I feel this program helped me find out more about myself and my family and the way I am with them and about all the things I can change to make my life better."

Harmony Development Client

Family Strengthening

"She is spectacular. She has the solution to all my problems. My son was diagnosed with ADHD and we were desperate for assistance. She taught us all these skills on how to deal with the diagnosis and different techniques and methods that work. She doesn't come to judge us; she comes as a friend, a family member who wants to help. We were hoping for someone who would be compatible with us. She came right when I needed her the most—it was just what I asked God for. Things started changing fast: his behavior and our way of parenting."

Children's Harbor Parent



Family Strengthening

"I loved that the counselor came to our house. I am a disabled veteran and would not have been able to take her to an office for counseling."

Smith Community Mental Health Client



Future Prep

"They help me learn how to be out in the world."

Memorial Healthcare System

Engaging High School Students in their Schools and Communities

LEAP High and 21st Century Programs

The CSC's 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) and LEAP High (Literacy, Enrichment and Academic Pursuits) programs are designed to help high school students improve school performance and graduate on time. Since 2007, with 21st CCLC grants awarded by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), the CSC has provided high quality academic remediation, homework assistance, and enrichment activities to over 1,300 struggling students attending eight Broward County high schools through the YMCA and Hispanic Unity. As the FDOE grant funds "sunset", CSC funding sustains these 21st CCLC programs as LEAP High. Students benefit from project-based learning activities that reinforce core academic subjects and personal enrichment to improve social skills and keep high schoolers engaged with their school and their community. The programs provide daily homework help; credit recovery; Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM) projects; preparation for end-of-course exams, college and career readiness, health and wellness, and arts and music education. This educational partnership with FDOE also includes the Broward School Board who provides students with daily snacks, lunch and supper and bus transportation as well as data to assess student progress. Rigorous performance measures prove that the CSC's 21st CCLC and LEAP High programs are improving academic performance and school behavior which increases graduation rates for our high schoolers most in need.

One exciting project at Boyd Anderson High School earned the 21st Century and LEAP High students the *Preservation Award* from the Broward County Historical Commission for their research into Broward's oldest African American Cemetery and those who were laid to rest there. Their efforts convinced the State of Florida to preserve Woodland Cemetery as a historic landmark rather than paving over it in a plan to widen I-95!

"I want to be a leader and this program gives me an opportunity to develop the kinds of skills that will make it possible for me to be master of my own success."

- 21st Century Participant

LEAP High & 21st Century Percentage of Students Who Improved Grades and School Behavior:

69% Reading.
66% Math.
67% Science.
99% Behavior.



Future Prep

Transitional Independent Living Programs prepare youth aging out of foster care, youth in protective supervision and youth in relative or non-relative care for adulthood through provision of independent living skills training, vocational exploration and training, mentoring and case management and a range of other supportive services. The CSC allocation of \$1.38 million is increased by a \$340,000 contribution from the Jim Moran Foundation which allows five agencies to serve this population.



“When I first came to this program, I fought a lot. I was very violent. I didn’t care about people’s feelings... My sister thought I needed help resolving my anger issues and open up to people who were just like me... who went through some of the same problems as me. HANDY has shown me that through school you can get anywhere. Now school is my main focus and priority. After I graduate high school I want to go to college and major in biology and after that, I want to go to medical school and get my own practice.”

- HANDY Participant, Kyandra



Future Prep

438 youth served

- 94% of youth had no new or caused pregnancies.
- 96% of youth had no new law violations.
- 80% of youth increased employability skills.
- 83% of youth graduated and/or are employed.
- 79% of youth had stable housing.



Providing Youth with the Opportunity to Become Productive Adults

Providing Youth with Summer Job Opportunities

The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides economically disadvantaged youth ages 16-18 the opportunity to gain employability skills and paid work experience. Services include a pre-orientation job readiness workshop and case management support to foster success in what is most often the first real exposure to employment for these teens. Working in partnership with CareerSource Broward, the CSC funded placement of 547 at-risk teens at 160 work sites across the county during the summer of 2014. Demand in the community for this program remains high, with approximately 4,000 youth applying on-line during the 3-week application period in both January of 2013 and 2014.

Employer feedback has been very positive and youth job retention remains strong. Funding by the CSC allows CareerSource Broward to leverage additional funding; in 2014 it was the Cities of Ft. Lauderdale, Sunrise, Hallandale Beach and Lauderdale Lakes, as well as Broward County and Welfare Transition Program (WTP), who provided dollars to place 130 additional youth.



Youth Employment

S.T.E.P.

- 95%** of youth acquired measurable skills in Work Required Behavior.
 - 92%** of youth acquired measurable skills in Job Duties.
 - 95%** of youth acquired measurable skills in Daily Living Activities.
- #### S.Y.E.P.
- 94%** of youth demonstrated proficiency in employability and job retention skills.
 - 95%** of youth successfully completed the program.
 - 96%** of employers indicated high satisfaction with the program support and youth employee(s).
 - 95%** of youth were very satisfied with their work experience.





Dear Mom and Ms. Diana, Ms. Kellie,
Thank you for all you've done in the STEP program. My favorite part of the program is learning how to cook. Because of STEP I can go home and cook pasta for my family and friends. I appreciate all that you guys have done for me. I am excited to be working my first job and making my own money this summer. With my first paycheck I will take my brother to the movies and be happy I paid for it, and budget my paycheck like Ms. Diana taught me. Mom, Ms. Diana, Ms. Kellie thank you!

Creating Employment Opportunities for Youth with Special Needs

Supported Training & Employment Program (STEP) provide youth development, vocational exploration and employment experiences to prepare youth with physical and developmental disabilities for post-secondary education, training and employment opportunities. Services help youth ages 16 to 21 to gain self-advocacy, improve social skills and reach individual employment and educational goals. STEP Youth participate in employability training during the school year before entering the summer internships and paid summer employment supported by on-site professional job coaches. In FY 2013-14, 329 youth participated in the program.

Agency Capacity Building through Partnerships and Trainings

CSC Sponsored Trainings

In FY 2013-14, more than 3,000 staff representing over 270 child serving agencies in Broward County attended CSC sponsored classroom and online courses. With a 95% satisfaction rate, the courses are reflective of quality instructors and topics that are essential in building and sustaining capacity throughout our community.



Community Foundation of Broward

The CSC's long-standing partnership with the Community Foundation of Broward has provided continued success and leadership training for CEO's, board members and emerging leaders that serve children and families in our community. Over 400 professionals have participated in leadership seminars to ensure the sustainability and growth of our community resources and services.



The Sun Sentinel Children's Fund

The CSC's partnership with the Sun Sentinel Children's Fund continues to pay dividends by offering mini-grant opportunities to nonprofit organizations in Broward that focus on child abuse and prevention, housing, education and hunger. In 2014, 30 nonprofits were awarded grants with matching contribution from the McCormick Foundation totaling over \$300,000 and impacting the lives of many children in our community.



Sponsored Trainings

The *Advice Straight Up* speaker series, partly funded by the CSC and led by the Jim Moran Institute for Global Entrepreneurship and the Urban League of Broward, has offered non-profit leaders the opportunity to hear from world renowned entrepreneurs. One of these was Frans Johansson, President/CEO of the Medici Group, who spoke on applying innovative ideas when dealing with the challenges of our growing and changing community.



HandsOn Broward

HandsOn Broward (HOB) conducts year round volunteer placement campaigns that link civic-minded youth and individuals with service opportunities. In FY 2013-14, HOB was a pivotal partner in projects like the Back to School Extravaganza, the Family Fun and Resource Fair, hunger prevention activities, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance and providing volunteers to dozens of CSC funded agencies.



Although CSC funding of 2-1-1 supports the general hotline operations, it is the sole funder of a dedicated Special Needs unit for families with children with physical and developmental disabilities. CSC also partners with DCF to fund a dedicated hotline for children's behavioral health services. In FY 2013-14, 211 received 3,686 calls on the special needs and behavioral health hotlines.

Choose Peace Stop Violence

A cloudy afternoon couldn't stop 130 Broward students from spreading their messages of peace, not violence during Chalk4Peace. The sidewalk painting festival, which was hosted by Choose Peace/Stop Violence and held at the African American Research Library & Cultural Center, is part of the global chalk art project held every September. The event was a collaboration between the YMCA of Broward County, Urban League of Broward County, Broward County Public Schools and the United Way Commission on Substance Abuse. Choose Peace/Stop Violence is funded by CSC, United Way of Broward County, and the School Board of Broward County.



Community Partners

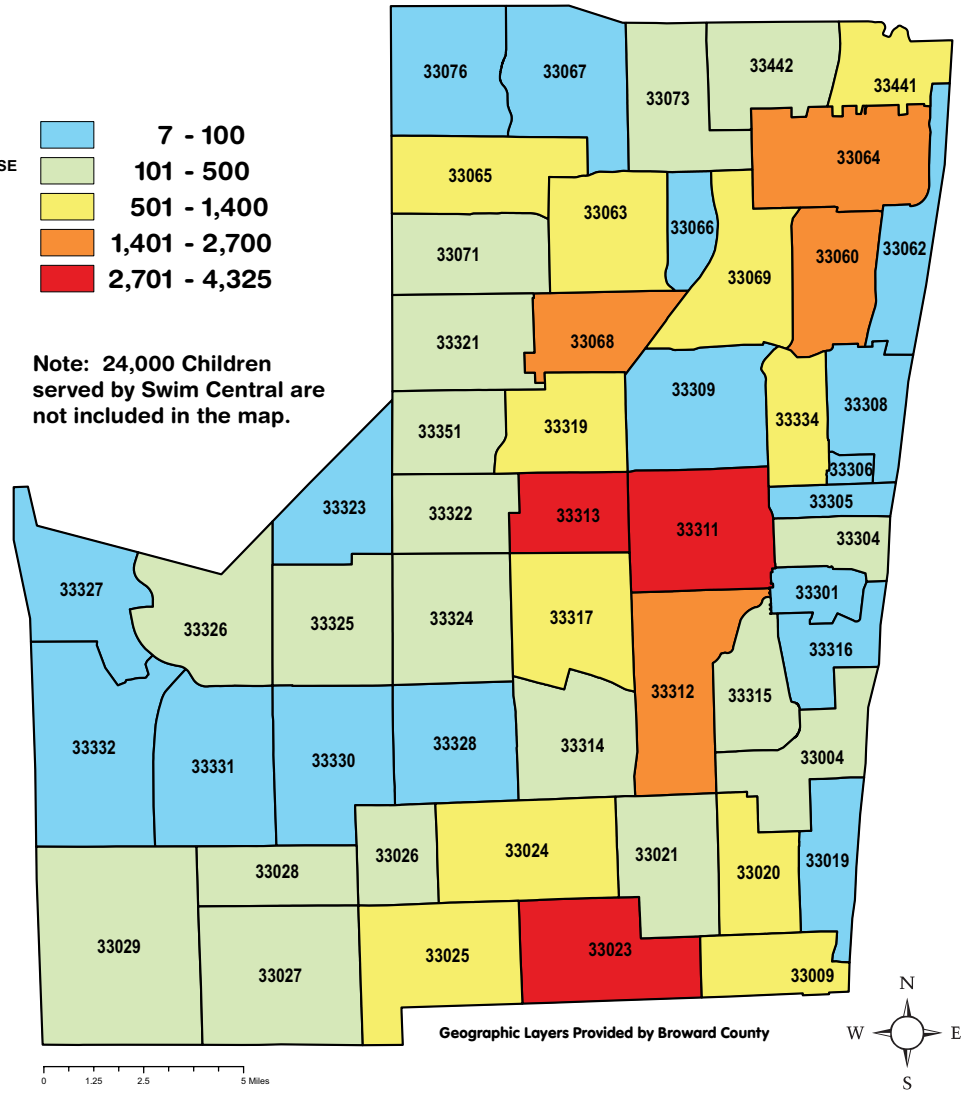
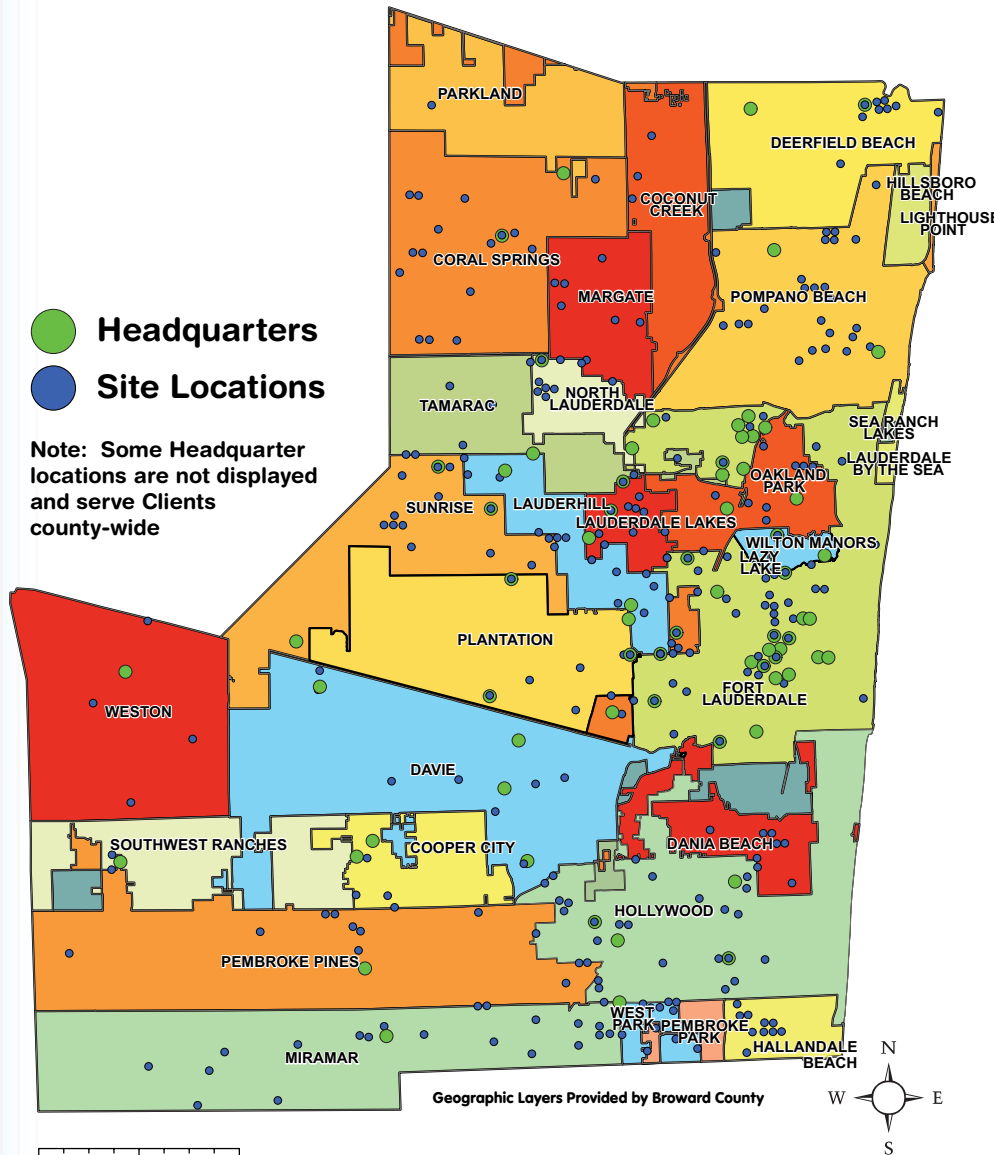
The CSC continues to break new grounds through partnerships with Junior Achievement, University of Florida and Broward County's Children's Services Administration to bring new and cutting edge training experiences to Broward County. Activities such as **Poverty Simulation**, **Bridges out of Poverty** and **Cross Systems Training** have been widely attended by child serving professionals in an effort to increase agency capacity in the areas of community resources and client empowerment to build a more prosperous and sustainable community.



Program Locations and Families Served

CSC Funded Programs Headquarters & Service Locations

Children & Families Served by CSC by Zip Code



Financial Report

GENERAL FUND



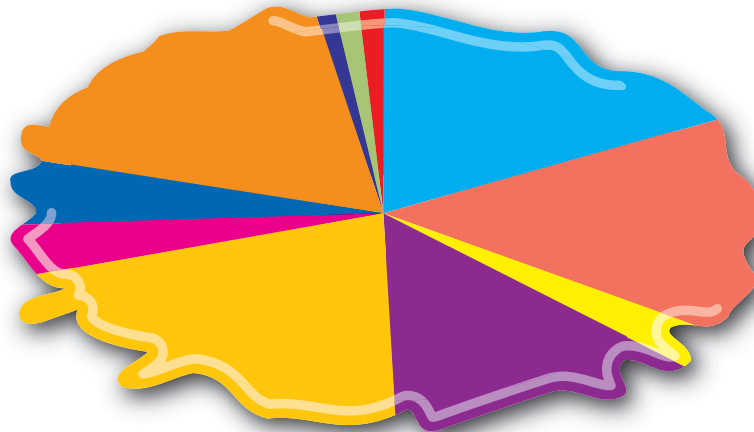
REVENUES:

	FY 2013/14 Actual	FY 2012/13 Actual
Property Taxes	\$61,362,297	\$59,584,505
Federal Grant Income	391,872	340,968
Miscellaneous	986,147	885,346
TOTAL REVENUES	\$62,740,316	\$60,810,819

EXPENDITURES:

Program Services/Support	\$58,972,402	\$56,178,579
General Administration	2,231,368	2,048,236
Capital Outlay	215,279	111,417
Non-Operating Expenditures	1,856,081	1,716,448
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$63,275,130	\$60,054,680

Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget for Program Services By Goal



Family Strengthening	18%
Delinquency Prevention & Diversion	18%
Independent Living	3%
Early Education	13%
Out of School Time	20%
Physical Health & Child Safety	3%
Maternal & Child Health	4%
Physical & Behavioral Needs	17%
Agency Capacity & Training	1%
Seamless System of Care	1%
Public Awareness & Advocacy	2%



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General Hotline, Special Needs & Behavioral Health hotline

Achievement & Rehabilitation Center (ARC)

Maximizing Out-of-School Time Special Needs, Supported Training and Employment Program, Family Strengthening

After School Programs, Inc.

Youth FORCE, Maximizing Out-of-School Time, Maximizing Out-of-School Time-Special Needs

Ann Storck Center, Inc.

Maximizing Out-of-School Time-Special Needs

ASPIRA

Youth FORCE

BECON TV

Public Awareness

Boys & Girls Club

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

Broward Children's Center, Inc.

Maximizing Out-of-School Time-Special Needs

Broward County Healthy Start Coalition

Fetal Infant Mortality Report, Substance Exposed Newborn Health

Broward County

Drowning Prevention, After School @ Your Library

Broward Regional Health Planning Council

Healthy Families

Broward Sheriff's Office

New DAY, Firesetters, JAC

Camelot Community Centers

New DAY, Future Prep, Family Strengthening

CareerSource

Summer Youth Employment Program

Center for Hearing & Communication

Supported Training and Employment Program, Family Strengthening, Youth FORCE, Maximizing Out of School Time-Special Needs

Children's Home Society

Family Strengthening

Children's Harbor

Family Strengthening

Community After School

Maximizing Out-of-School Time, Margate CRA

Community Based Connections

Family Strengthening

Community Foundation of Broward

Capacity Building, Community Leadership Mentoring

Community Reconstruction Housing, Inc. (CRHI)

Youth FORCE

Cross Country Staffing

School Health

Davie CRA

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

Early Learning Coalition of BC

Subsidized Childcare

Family Central

Pre-K, Family Strengthening, Positive Behavior Support

Father Flanagan's Boys Town of So FL

Family Strengthening

Firewall Centers T.H.I.N.K.

Youth FORCE

First Baptist Church Piney Grove

Maximizing-Out of School-Time

Florida's Children First

Youth Government

Florida Dept Of Health - Broward County

Drowning Prevention, KidCare Outreach

Forever Family (Gialogic Productions)

Adoption Promotion

Gulf Coast Community Care

Family Strengthening, Future Prep

Hallandale Beach-CRA

Maximizing Out of School Time

HandsOn Broward

Capacity Building, Volunteer Management, Community Gardens

HANDY

Future Prep, Youth FORCE

Harmony Development Center, Inc.

New DAY, Youth FORCE, Kinship Relative Care Support

Harvest Drive FY 2012-2013

Hunger Relief

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition

Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress, Family Strengthening, FIMR, CRIBS, Responsible Fatherhood

Heart Gallery of Broward

Adoption Promotion



Programs They Provide

Henderson Behavioral Health

New DAY, Family Strengthening, Future Prep

Hispanic Unity

Youth FORCE, Earned Income Tax Credit, Hunger Relief, LEAP High, 21st Century

Hollywood Art / Cultural CTR for Hollywood, City of

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

Hollywood Beach CRA

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

Jewish Adoption and Foster Care Options, Inc.

Family Strengthening, SN Case Management

Juliana Gerena & Associates

Family Strengthening, New DAY

Kid Vision/WPBT (Community TV Foundation)

Early Childhood Education

Kids in Distress, Inc.

Maximizing Out-of-School Time, Kinship Support, Family Strengthening, Future Prep

Lauderdale Lakes, City of

Maximizing Out of School Time

Legal Aid Services of BC, Inc.

Kinship, LAW

Medical Staffing Network, Inc.

School Health

Memorial Healthcare System

BREAK, New DAY, Family Strengthening, Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress, Youth FORCE, Maximizing Out-of-School Time, Future Prep

Minority Development and Empowerment, Inc.

Earned Income Tax Credit, Youth FORCE

Miramar, City of

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

National Council/Jewish Women (NCJW)

Hunger Relief

National Youth Advocate Program

Kinship Support

Neighbors for Neighbors

Public Awareness

New Hope World Outreach

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

NSU

A Day for Children

Opportunities Ind. Ctr. (OIC) of S. Florida

Youth FORCE

PACE Center for Girls

New DAY

Pembroke Pines, City of

Maximizing Out-of-School Time-Special Needs

Russell Life Skills

Early Literacy

Sierra Lifecare, Inc.

School Health

Smith Community Mental Health

Maximizing Out-of-School Time-Special Needs, BREAK, Youth FORCE

Smith Community Associates

Family Strengthening

Soref Jewish Community Center

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

South Cluster Children Services

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

South Florida Hunger Coalition

Hunger Relief, Summer Break Spot

Sun Sentinel Children's Fund

Capacity Building Grants

Sunshine Social dba SunServe

Youth Services

Sunshine After School Child Care, Inc.

Maximizing Out-of-School Time

United Cerebral Palsy of Broward County, Inc.

Maximizing Out-of-School Time-Special Needs, Supported Training and Employment Program

United Way of Broward County

Youth Development, Choose Peace Stop Violence

Urban League of Broward County, Inc.

New DAY, Maximizing Out-of-School Time, Youth FORCE

West Park, City of

Youth FORCE

YMCA of Broward County

LEAP High, 21st Century, Youth FORCE, Supported Training and Employment Program, Maximizing Out-of-School Time & Maximizing Out-of-School Time - Special Needs Deerfield CRA, Youth Government





Children's Services Council of Broward County

Our Focus is Our Children.



MISSION

To provide the leadership, advocacy and resources necessary to enhance children's lives and empower them to become responsible, productive adults through collaborative planning and funding of a continuum of quality care.

VISION

The children of Broward County shall have the opportunity to realize their full potential, their hopes and their dreams, supported by a nurturing family and community.

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