

2022 / 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



# Children's Services Council

of Broward County  
Our Focus is Our Children.



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# LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

## DR. DAVID H. KENTON



We are living through an unprecedented moment in time, but what gives me hope is our equally unprecedented commitment to responding to the needs of our children and families in Broward County.

For more than 20 years, the Children’s Services Council of Broward County has helped transform passion into impact on the causes that effect our community the most. We are mindful that every dollar we grant represents the dream and an investment to strengthen the community. Our staff, board members, and community partners are passionate about achieving this mission. Together, we create a better, more united Broward County.

While the needs and the incredible potential of our county’s residents have never been greater, every day we see the impact of CSC’s investments. The primary mission of the CSC of Broward County is to provide leadership, advocacy, and resources to enhance children’s lives and empower families. The organization aims to ensure that children in Broward County grow up healthy, safe, and strong by funding and supporting various programs and initiatives.

Over this year, we truly have been inspired each day by the people and organizations that make our community strong. We have had the opportunity to tell some of these stories through this publication, the CSC website, and our engagement in the community. These services include early childhood education, after-school programs, child abuse prevention, mental health services, and more.

As we look to the next years, we see 2024 as a year of recommitment and renewal. During the upcoming year, our board will look back at the impact we have made and look forward to ensuring that our strategies remain robust and aligned with the needs of the community. While we will continue to grow and evolve to respond to changing needs in the community, we will always stay true to our mission – strengthening the community by supporting education, services, and community engagement, with a special emphasis on the needs of children, youth, and families. Through its dedicated funding source and collaborative efforts with local organizations, CSC continues to work toward its mission of ensuring that all children in Broward County can thrive and succeed.



**Dr. David H. Kenton**  
Chair

### CSC MANAGEMENT TEAM:



**Standing** L-R - Marlando Christie, Kathleen Campbell, Michelle Hamilton, Lisa Bayne. Not Pictured: Ken King, Dion Smith, Dr. Carl Dasse

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# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

## CINDY ARENBERG SELTZER

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I am thrilled to introduce the 2022-2023 Annual Report, a testament to the remarkable accomplishments achieved by our dedicated team and partners in our relentless pursuit of improving the lives of children and families in Broward County. This year's Annual Report reflects our collective efforts along with our provider network and our fellow funders and the profound impact we have made together. Through the pages of this report, you will find inspiring stories of resilience, progress, and hope that exemplify the difference we are making in the lives of those we serve. Through our dedicated funding source and collaborative efforts with local organizations, CSC continues to work toward mission ensure that all children in Broward County can thrive and succeed.



In the area of mental health and wellness we continue to expand our programs aimed at providing crucial mental health services to children and families. By collaborating with the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition and local mental health providers, we ensured that vital counseling and support services remained available. Our innovative HEAL Trauma services were deployed to address community trauma resulting from flooding and gun violence with a goal of supporting and strengthening resiliency for impacted youth and their families. Our community engagement and connection with the families of Broward County has never been stronger. We continue to attend and host scores of community events where information on resources are distributed. Our Back-to-School Extravaganzas provided nearly 10,000 children with the backpacks, school supplies, uniforms, underwear, and shoes to start the year right. We have continued to fight for children and families at the local and state levels. Through strategic partnerships and targeted advocacy efforts, we helped expand eligibility for Florida KidCare which will be hugely important as eligibility for Medicaid is unwound.

This report will highlight the impact of our funded programs and CSC staff on the lives of children and families throughout Broward County. From early childhood education initiatives to youth empowerment programs, we have witnessed transformation and growth. Its highlights community partnerships and how these meaningful collaborations have allowed us to expand our reach and amplify our impact. And most importantly the annual report details our commitment to transparency. It demonstrates our commitment accountability in managing the resources entrusted to us by the Broward County community. For more details about specific contract outcomes, see the Annual Performance Report (APR) on our website.

As we move forward, CSC remains committed to our vision of all children can thrive. We will continue to collaborate with our partners, engage with our community, and innovate to address the evolving needs of our children and families. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to our shared mission. Together, we are building a brighter future for the children and families of Broward County.

### **In Memory of Tom Powers**

I am writing this memoriam on behalf of the CSC to express our on the passing of former council member Tom Powers. Tom served on the Council with integrity for 8 years – appointed by two Governors. We will miss his perspective from his years in law enforcement and his commitment to the well-being of Broward's children and families. May his Memory Be a Blessing.



**Cindy Arenberg Seltzer**  
President/CEO

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Health Department

**Vacant**  
Governor Appointee

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## 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 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.

## STAFF

**Cindy J. Arenberg Seltzer**  
President/CEO

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**Garry Johnson**

# INSPIRING HOPE, SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The past year has been marked with change and community resiliency. CSC continues to be a beacon by creating an environment where children can thrive and families can feel supported, ultimately leading to a stronger, more hopeful Broward County. Our mission continues to create a sense of community through funded programs, partnerships, capacity building and community events which provides a network of support and belonging. CSC raises awareness about the challenges faced by children and families and advocates for changes that can lead to systemic improvements and inspire hope on a broader scale. This concept of inspiration emphasizes the holistic approach to child and family support, recognizing that there is still work to be done. See the work in action at [www.cscbroward.org](http://www.cscbroward.org), where you can check out all our social media.

## **Asset Based Community Development (ABCD)**

In 2022, CSC piloted Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) in two neighborhoods in Lauderdale and Fort Lauderdale and expanded to the City of Hollywood in 2023. ABCD “flips the switch” on funder/city/provider relationships with community members and shifts and informs how we perceive and talk about our children and families. ABCD creates opportunities for Community Connectors (neighborhood residents) to conduct listening campaigns with their neighbors to lift up the “gifts of the head, heart, and hand” as well as to gather issues that are important to them. Based on the rich array of gifts, Connectors create an asset map of their neighborhood that shifts perceptions to the strengths and gifts of a community rather than focusing on the needs and risks. The Community Connectors enhance community relationships, identify opportunities to improve their neighborhood, and issue a procurement for residents to receive competitive small grants that, when awarded, allow neighbors to implement events that enhance the social fabric of their community. Grants have funded intergenerational activities, youth-led neighborhood clean-ups, anti-bullying campaigns, chess tournaments, and literacy events. Additionally, municipal elected officials and staff love the opportunity to work alongside Community Connectors to share information and mutually support their community.

## **Broward Cares and Flooding Recovery Grants**

Broward County experienced a historic flood event in April 2023. This extreme weather event was characterized by an astonishing 25 inches of rain falling within 12 hours. The aftermath of the storm saw a prolonged recovery effort. The CSC Council members approved \$200,000 to be set aside for flood victim assistance in the county. CSC engaged with Broward Cares; a collaboration between the Community Foundation of Broward, the Children’s Services Council of Broward County, the Jewish Federation of Broward County, the United Way and other partners. This group coordinated Disaster Recovery Grants to help our community respond to the devastating effects of flooding. The grants were available to support the recovery efforts of local nonprofits who helped people in our community. CSC also deployed HEAL Trauma teams to aid families in the affected communities.

## Junior Achievement Biz Town and Finance Park

The Junior Achievement of South Florida (JA) World Huizenga Center's JA BizTown and JA Finance Park curriculums are incorporated into the annual education plan of every 5th and 8th-grade student in BCPS. This experience allows students to apply the concepts and lessons they learn in the classroom in a simulated, engaging, and interactive environment. Thanks to a partnership between CSC and The Celia Lipton Ferris Foundation begun in 2023, students who go through JA BizTown will learn about mental health wellness through strategies and wellness activities practiced in a simulated environment. Additionally, they will learn the importance of 211 if they or their families need services in the county. JA Finance Park is a simulated park where every 8th-grade student applies the personal finance concepts and career opportunities learned through an interactive curriculum in the classroom. In the CSC / Ferris Foundation storefront in Finance Park students will have the opportunity to explore careers in social services and government.

## Future First

CSC staff has always worked to educate the community about the resources available through CSC funding and partnerships and about the work and worth of the CSC, using the full spectrum of media as well as participating in hundreds of community events county-wide. This work is done with the understanding that we live in a diverse community that accesses and uses information in varied formats. Future First: A Focus on Broward Children is our flagship television program that informs the public of Broward County. Each year programs are hosted that provide valuable information to the public. This year, Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, CEO hosted programs that highlighted, Fatherhood Programs in the county, Broward Maternal Health Issues and Resources, and Quality Afterschool Care. Please be sure to subscribe to the CSC YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@CSCBroward> to see all episodes of Future First.

## Broward Read for the Record

CSC was proud to continue its involvement with the JumpStart Read for the Record campaign. This is the 9th year of participation for CSC. In 2023, over 1,000 volunteers participated in classrooms in over 500 public and charter public schools and childcare centers. Broward Reads: The Campaign for Grade Level Reading, which is co-chaired by CSC, Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr, Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) and the Early Learning Coalition distributed English and Spanish language books to more than 40,000 Pre-K and Kindergarten students. CSC enjoys providing



children and families with tangible proof that their community cares about them and encourages their love of reading.

The book chosen for 2022-23 was *Nigel and the Moon* by Antwan Eady illustrated by Gracey Zhang. It speaks to the power of sharing one's dreams. At first Nigel can only share his dreams with the moon but he finds it can be fun to share his dreams with the world as well.



### **HEART Graduation “Senior Send Off”**

High school graduation is a large milestone for young Americans, and one that opens many doors to various opportunities, like attending college or a trade school, joining the military, or entering the workforce. Nationally, 87% of homeless youth drop out of high school and do not earn their diploma. Without their diploma, these youth face tremendous challenges obtaining gainful employment that pays a living wage and provides access to health insurance and benefits. At the end of each school year, the BCPS Homeless Education Assistance Resource Team (BCPS HEART) hosts a “Senior Send Off” celebration for the students recognized for rising above the challenges of homelessness, who not only graduate from high school but earn their admission into a post-secondary institution. The Senior Send Off includes a celebration and provides these students with a Senior Send Off Package to alleviate the financial strain associated with settling into the first year of college. In FY22-23 CSC once again doubled the number of students who received the package by matching the funds raised by the Broward Education Foundation. BCPS HEART is a partner on the Broward Children’s Strategic Plan’s, Homeless, Youth and Families Committee.

### **Back to School Extravaganza**

Our “Back to School Extravaganza” are events organized to support families and children as they prepare for the new school year. This year, three events were held one in Miramar, one in Ft. Lauderdale and one in Pompano to bring the distributions close to the families who need them. Students identified as economically disadvantaged have the opportunity to choose a filled backpack and pick a school uniform. This year CSC partnered with the Maccabi games whose athletes donated NEW pairs of shoes for kids to start school with. There are also large resource fairs where families can connect to services that can help their families throughout the year such as KidCare, Swim Central, tutoring programs, etc. The Back-to-School Extravaganza is not just about giving out free supplies; it’s about creating an environment that supports educational success and well-being for children. It’s an opportunity for the CSC to engage directly with the community, understand their needs, and reinforce the importance of education and preparation for the new school year.

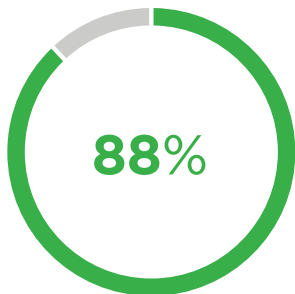


## MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS

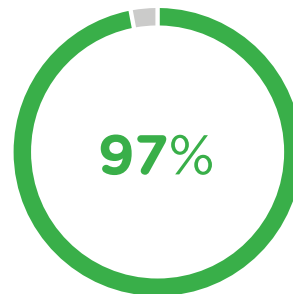
Maternal health is a multifaceted issue that affects not only the health and well-being of women but also the future of the community. Prioritizing maternal health in Broward County is essential for creating a healthier, more equitable, and prosperous community for everyone. This involves not only improving healthcare services but also addressing the factors that impact health outcomes for woman and children. The CSC funds programs that help mothers and their babies develop strong, healthy connection that are important in the well-being of the baby, as well as programs that help keep children safe in the first months of their young lives.

### MOMS

Mothers Overcoming Maternal Stress (MOMS) is programming designed to address risk factors associated with maternal emotional distress, enhance bonding and attachment between mother and child, and improve overall family functioning utilizing best practices in and out of the home setting.



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



of mothers reported fewer symptoms of depression and/or anxiety.

### Safe Sleep

Every year, around 3,500 babies in the United States die suddenly and unexpectedly while they're sleeping. Most of these deaths are preventable by adopting safe sleep practices. The mantra “**A**lone, on their **B**ack, in a **C**rib,” is at the core of CSC funding of pack-n-plays and cribs distributed to families who are in need, as well as programs offered to parents, practitioners, and community members around Safe Sleep.



of parents/caregivers who received a crib, increased their knowledge of safe infant sleep practices.



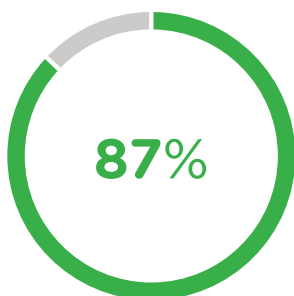


## FAMILY SUPPORTS

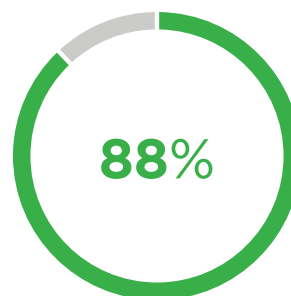
The CSC has allocated funding for Family Supports programs. These programs intend to reduce the incidence and impact of child abuse, neglect, and trauma and ensure a continuum of health services for families in Broward County. Evidence-based and best practice interventions are designed to address multiple socio-environmental factors, stabilize families in crisis and prevent out-of-home placement/ involvement in dependency system. A safe, nurturing home is the cornerstone of successful outcomes for families, children, and youth.

### Family Strengthening

- The CSC funds parent education programs that support effective family supports and helps keep children out of the child welfare system. Children grow and thrive best when safe and nurtured in a family setting. Providing evidence-based and best-practice interventions that bring stability to families in crisis is a very effective way to prevent child abuse and neglect.



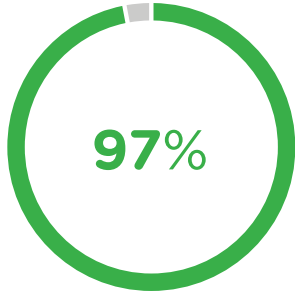
of families improved family functioning.



of families participated in all program requirements.

## Kinship

- When a child's parents can't provide a safe, nurturing environment, it is often other relatives, or non-family caregivers who become temporary families for children. When this happens, the CSC supports programs that assist willing adults so that the child can remain in a familiar, nurturing environment.



of families did not require foster or institutional care while receiving Kinship services.



of caregivers reported satisfaction with Kinship services.



## Trauma Supports

### Healing and Empowering All Living with Trauma (HEAL Trauma)

This initiative now known as HEAL Trauma (Healing and Empowering All Living with Trauma) program evolved out of community support from those residing in historically underserved, Black and Brown communities which have experienced trauma through crime and violence. HEAL Trauma provides services to children and families experiencing trauma in the Northeast, Central East, and Southeast regions of Broward County. The programs utilize the Community Mental Health Worker (CMHW) model as a culturally responsive community engagement and empowerment strategy to increase access to and utilization of mental health services and build upon existing community resiliency. Youth and families relate to a trusted and trained community member (CMHW) to jointly identify family needs, including trauma services, and links to additional resources.



# DEPENDENCY

## Adoption

- Adoption urges families to consider creating or expanding families by adopting children who need a stable environment. In those instances, adoption can help provide the best opportunities for the child. The CSC funds programs that help children in the foster care system find loving, permanent homes.

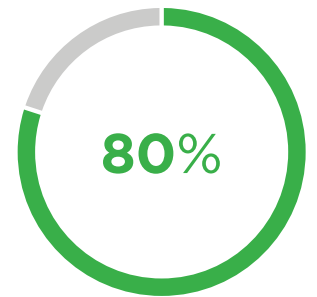


## Legal Representation - Child Welfare

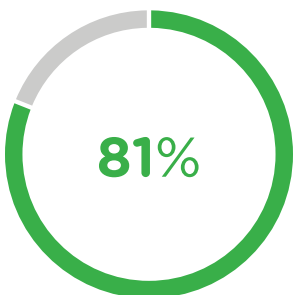
- To reduce the time a child spends in the welfare system, the CSC funds legal representation for the child to provide advocacy and supports that will help improve that child's outcomes.

## Legal Advocacy Works (LAW)/LAW Line

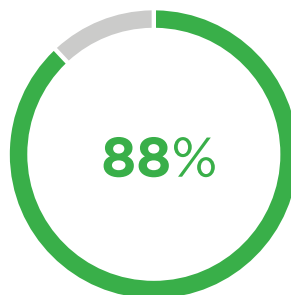
- Youth who are at risk for involvement in the delinquency and/or dependency systems can get diversion education and Failure to Appear supports through the CSC funded LAW and LAW-Line programs.



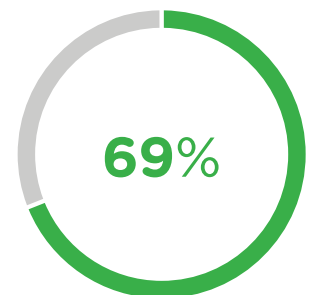
of youth improved housing stability.



of youth did not obtain any new law violations during the program.



of youth did not obtain new law violations 12 months after successful program completion.



of youth reduced delinquency risk.



## FINANCIAL STABILITY

### VITA

Tax revenue is critical for funding public services with the bulk of which comes from individual income taxpayers. The VITA initiative promotes prosperity by educating low- and moderate-income communities about the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), the most effective Federal anti-poverty tax program, and providing Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) no-cost tax preparation and financial literacy coaching from trusted, IRS-trained volunteers.



**5,886**

Clients Served

**3,279**

Tax Returns Completed

**\$2.9 million**

Refunds Received

### Food Insecurity Mitigation

Good nutrition, particularly in the first three years of one's life, is important for establishing a good foundation that has implications for future physical and mental health, academic achievement, and economic productivity. Unfortunately, food insecurity is an obstacle that threatens that critical foundation. Approximately one in five children in Broward County experiences food insecurity. The insecurity mitigation programs were designed to serve children and their families throughout Broward County. Five agencies were awarded contracts for six programs. The variety of approaches ensures the food supports reach deep into the communities most in need. For FY 22/23 nearly 13,000 households in Broward County were served through CSC's commitment to this area of need in the community.



## DROWNING PREVENTION

### SWIM Central and Drowning Prevention Taskforce

- Drowning is a leading cause of death in childhood, especially for children 1 to 4 years of age. That is why, working in conjunction with Broward County Government, the Florida Department of Health in Broward County, and Broward County schools, CSC is a funder of drowning prevention and water safety programs. Through SWIM Central, the CSC provides vouchers for low or no-cost swim lessons for children 6-months through 8-years-old, as well as taking thousands of elementary school aged children to aquatic parks for water safety lessons. A Drowning Prevention coordinator, through the Department of Health, is also funded to manage a taskforce of stakeholders tasked with helping prevent drownings in Broward among its most vulnerable population.

100%

of children who participated in the swim program have not drowned 3 years after program completion.

62%

of 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.

233

attendees representing Family Strengthening Agencies.



## KIDCARE AND SCHOOL HEALTH

The CSC funds the Florida Department of Health in Broward County's KidCare Outreach program. Florida KidCare provides affordable health and dental insurance for children who are uninsured when coverage begins, meet income eligibility requirements, are not eligible for fully subsidized Medicaid. This collaboration helps to ensure that all children who are eligible, sign-up and benefit from affordable health insurance. To ensure children receive in-school health services, CSC funds School Health Services at schools staffed by RNs, LPNs and HSTs.



**44,228**

duplicated students received First Aid, Emergency Services, and services for prevention, acute and chronic health care needs.

**69%**

of students were sent back to class after receiving School Health Services per semester.

**227,423**

average enrollment in Broward County KidCare and Medicare in FY 22/23.



## LITERACY & EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

Reading proficiently by the end of third grade is a crucial marker in a child's educational development. Failure to read proficiently is linked to higher rates of school dropout. Besides providing backbone support to the Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade Level Committee of the Children's Strategic Plan, the CSC funds programs intended to help children reach early milestones that can contribute to lifelong successes.

### Subsidized Childcare

- Childcare can be one of the biggest expenses for families. In order to make childcare more affordable, many states provide subsidy programs. CSC assist in providing childcare slots for underserved, income eligible families in Broward.

## Vulnerable Populations Childcare

- Funds the immediate placement in quality childcare for children of Transitional Independent Living (TIL) youth and Kinship families and parents of young children receiving substance abuse treatment.

## Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

- Supports a multi-agency, collaborative and community wide approach for teachers and parents of children with challenging behaviors. It nurtures social/emotional growth of preschool children.



of centers increased verbal and non-verbal interaction of teachers with children and children with children.



of centers decreased agency red flags.

## Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade Level Reading

- Reading is the most crucial academic skill because it is the foundation for learning. The Broward Reads: Campaign for Grade Level Reading engages a cross section of stakeholders to share resources, plan, implement activities, and engage the community around ensuring all children learn to read at grade level by the time they complete third grade. The culminating event of the campaign is Broward: Read for the Record, engaging hundreds of volunteers to read the same book to pre-K and Kindergarten students. The students then get their own copy of the book to take home to build their home library and nurture their love of reading. Other opportunities include Real Men Read, Dia de los Niños, and Countdown to Kindergarten, bringing the entire community together around the pivotal issue of early literacy. An additional goal is to convert one-day volunteers into year-round volunteers through the CSC funded literacy volunteer hub at HandsOnBroward.

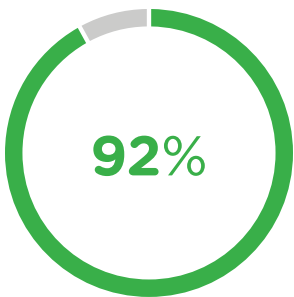




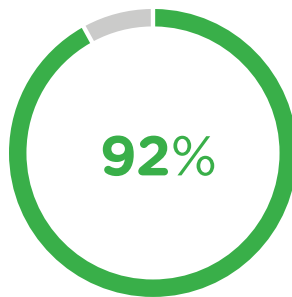
## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR TYPICALLY DEVELOPING CHILDREN AND CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

### Maximizing out of School Time (MOST)

- Our most precious resource are our children. Working families want to ensure their children are safe, healthy, and nurtured when enrolled in pre and afterschool time programs. The CSC funds Maximizing Out of School Time (MOST) programs throughout the county, where children enjoy fun and academically enriching and engaging activities. These programs are at nearly all schools where a large percentage of the students are on free or reduced lunch, including those with special needs. Homework assistance, physical fitness, project-based, and social-emotional learning activities are at the core of these programs which run throughout the school year and summer.



Inclusion **92%** of children improved reading and language development.



**92%** of children with special needs improved reading and language development.



Inclusion and **100%** of children with special needs remained safe.



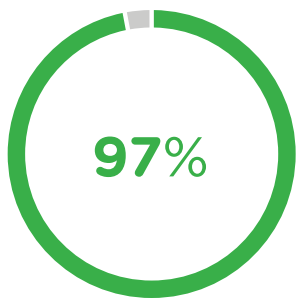


## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Most parents are likely to identify the middle school years as among the most challenging raising a child. These pre-teen and early teen years are a time when navigating peer pressure and pushing the limits of authority create opportunities for long term, negative consequences. The CSC funds middle-school initiatives that increase protective/resiliency factors and reduce risk factors associated with delinquency, teen pregnancy, and other risky behaviors. These include:

### Youth FORCE

- Providing year-round programming at high need middle-schools to promote positive youth development and school and community attachment. Programming includes counseling, academic supports, community service learning, career exploration and the nationally recognized Teen Outreach Program (TOP).



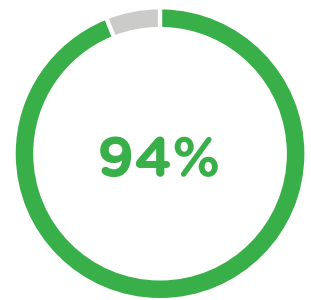
of youth demonstrated gains or low risk in Youth Development Competencies.



of female youth did not become pregnant and male youth did not cause a pregnancy.



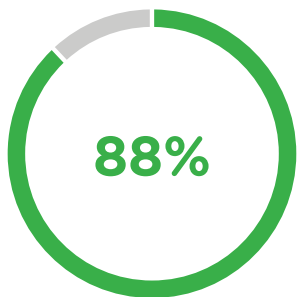
of youth did not obtain new law violations during the program.



of youth did not experience bullying.

### PEACE

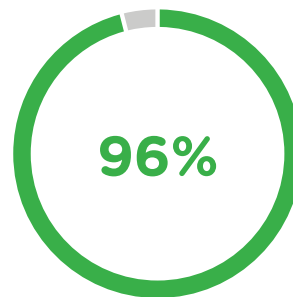
- Supports middle-school youth with year-round, culturally responsive, holistic services that assist them with academics, social-emotional learning through the arts, and exposure to potential career and technical occupations.



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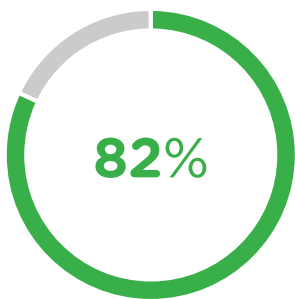


## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR TYPICALLY DEVELOPING YOUTH & YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

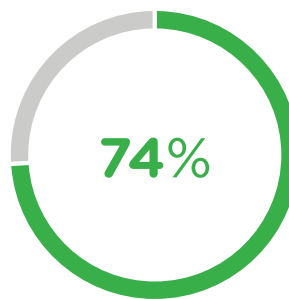
When high school youth participate in safe, enriching programs that prepare them to enter adulthood, they are less susceptible to engage in activities that result in delinquency, teen pregnancy and other risky behaviors. The CSC funds an array of such programs.

### LEAP High

- Supports youth at Title 1 schools with programs and personal enrichment services that help them graduate on time, as well as achieve their post-secondary aspirations.



of youth participating in LEAP High improved Language Arts/Reading grades.



of youth participating in LEAP High improved day school attendance.

## Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

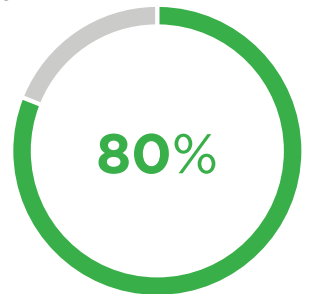
- SYEP provides economically disadvantaged youth ages 16-18 the opportunity to gain employability skills and paid work experiences. Youth are paid competitive wages and may be able to receive support services including transportation. The work-based learning activities orient youth to the world of work, helps develop an understanding of employer expectation, and promotes positive relationships. In FY 22/23, CSC funded opportunities for approximately 916 youth for employment.

## Bridge to Life (B2L)

- The fundamental goal of B2L is to close the equity gap for post-secondary attainment at a systems level, while exploring and piloting interventions to help students in the here and now. Students work as co-equals with dozens of partnering agencies including the school district, institutions of higher education, employers, and youth-serving agencies to explore career opportunities and promote completion of the FAFSA to make post-secondary education more affordable.

## Supported Training and Employment Programs (STEP)

- Supports youth with special needs in their ability to integrate productive society by providing them with opportunities for training and employment. This leading-edge initiative offers teens with disabilities career exploration activities and social skills development in afterschool programming, and employment opportunities during the summer.



of youth participating in STEP demonstrated improvement in employable skills.





## PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH TRANSITIONING TO INDEPENDENT LIVING

The CSC funds programs for youth who face formidable challenges that can hamper their ability to successfully become independent adults. Among them, youth who are aging out of foster care, who are living in kinship or other relative and on-relative care, or who are involved in the juvenile justice system.

### Healthy Youth Transition (HYT)

- Supports a variety of youth, such as youth aging out of formal or informal foster care, youth with delinquency involvement, who identify as LGBTQ, and high school youth at risk of not graduating or not in school as they transition to adulthood.

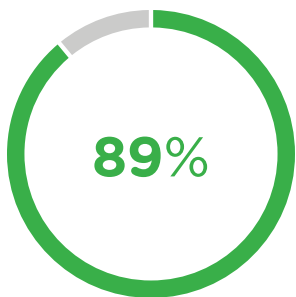


## Fort Lauderdale Independent Training & Education (FLITE) Center

- Provides coordination, resources, and direct services to TIL youth, and supports the work of the Youth System Organizing (YSO) program, providing a platform for youth and system professionals to co-identify and co-create solutions to the challenges facing the child welfare system.

## Housing Opportunities Mortgage Assistance & Effective Neighborhood Solutions (HOMES)

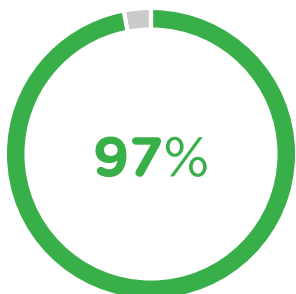
- Provides paid internships and housing to TIL youth.
- Museum of Discovery and Science MODS
- Provides paid internships and career paths to young adults, ages 16-22-years-old, who are transitioning out of the foster care system, as well as for young adults.



of youth demonstrated proficiency in employability and job retention skills.



of youth ages 15-19 had no new pregnancies or caused a pregnancy during the program.



of youth had no new law violations during the program.

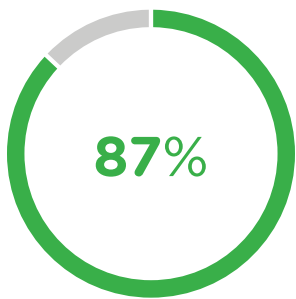




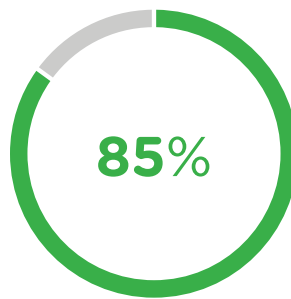
## DELINQUENCY DIVERSION PROGRAMS

### New DAY

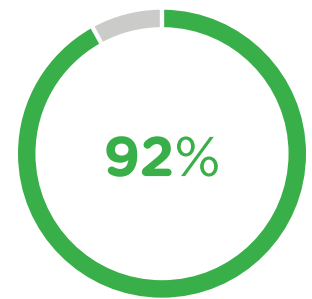
For some youth, one ill-advised decision can result in incarceration and negative, life-long consequences. Data shows a clear racial disparity in how the criminal justice system deal with youth incarceration, with young people of color disproportionately affected. To help provide a second chance to many of these youth to get their lives back on track, and positively affect recidivism rates, the CSC funds New Diversion Alternatives for Youth (New DAY). The program includes Restorative Justice Conferencing, bringing together the wrongdoer, the impacted party, community representatives and others impacted directly or indirectly by the offense to foster healing and address the harm caused by the offense.



of youth successfully completed diversion program.



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



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



## SIMPLIFIED POINT OF ENTRY

### 211

Families seeking information or needed resources by phone, rely on 2-1-1 First Call for Help as a simplified first point of entry, operating on a 24/7, multilingual basis. The CSC funds information and referral services and crisis support; a Special Needs and Behavioral Health Unit for families with children with physical and developmental disabilities; a Special Needs and Behavioral Needs Health hotline that provides warm transfers to dedicated case management services provided by Jewish Adoption & Foster Care Options (JAFCO) and Henderson Behavioral Health; and a Teen Suicide Prevention crisis line.



## CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

The community is best served when organizations that provide needed services can deliver on their mission. Capacity building refers to the processes, strategies, and activities that empower these organizations to increase their efficiency, effectiveness, and sustainability. It's about strengthening the skills, abilities, processes, and resources that organizations need to survive, adapt, and thrive in a fast-changing world. The CSC supports dozens of families and child-serving non-profit organizations through its Capacity Building program.

**7**  
organizations were  
awarded Capacity  
Building Grants.

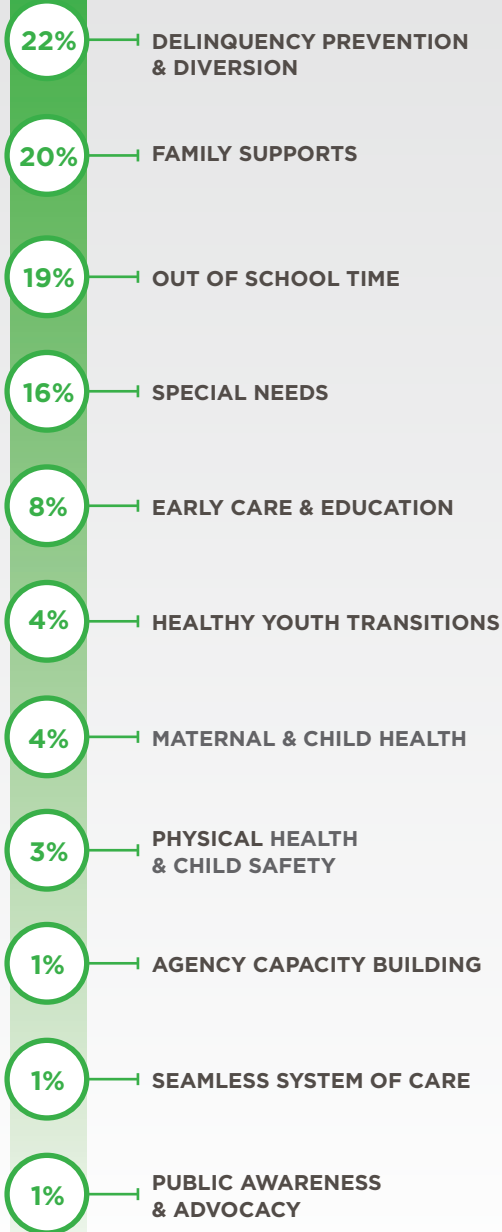
**\$114,500**  
was invested in non-profit  
organizational capacity  
building through grants.

**375**  
hours of professional coaching  
and consulting from SBDC was  
provided.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023

### BUDGET FOR PROGRAM SERVICES BY GOAL



Total Program Budget  
**\$109,051,443**

### GENERAL FUND

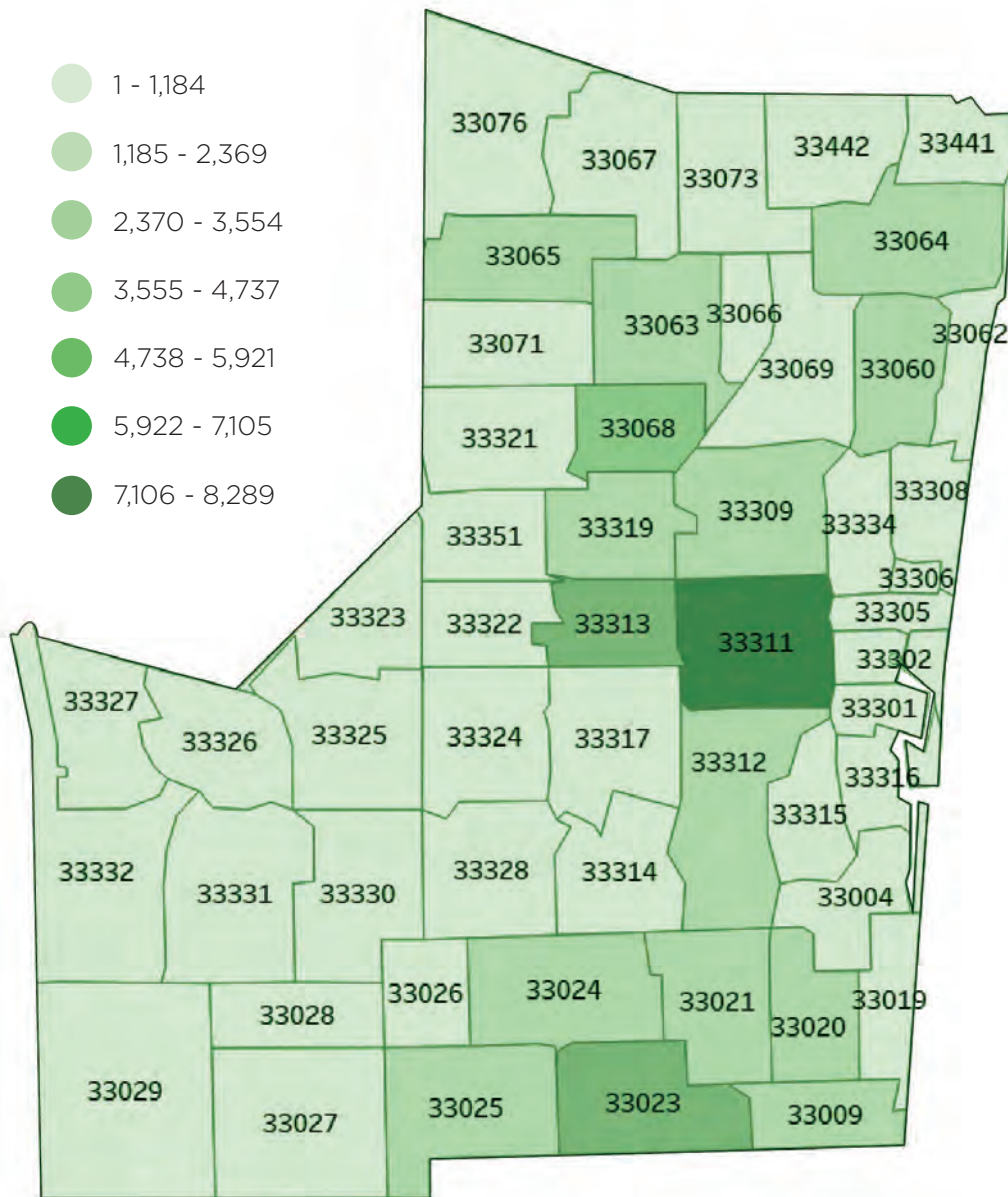
REVENUES:	FY 2022/23 Actual	FY 2021/22 Actual
Property Taxes	\$105,403,582	\$ 99,302,231
Federal Grant Income	\$ 888,148	\$ 1,495,351
Local Foundations/ Miscellaneous	\$ 6,847,386	\$ 1,778,727
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$113,139,116</b>	<b>\$102,576,309</b>

EXPENDITURES:	FY 2022/23 Actual	FY 2021/22 Actual
Program Services/ Support	\$ 97,198,032	\$ 85,354,774
General Administration	\$ 4,085,428	\$ 3,789,308
Capital Outlay	\$ 142,738	\$ 525,661
Non-Operating Expenditures	\$ 3,648,749	\$ 3,272,531
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$105,074,947</b>	<b>\$ 92,942,274</b>



# WHERE WE INVEST

## CHILDREN & FAMILIES SERVED BY CSC BY ZIP CODE



**4,274 children and youth** served through School Health Services funded by CSC are not represented on this map. Calls to 2-1-1 Special Needs and Behavioral hotlines are also not included in numbers served by Zip data.

## OUR FUNDED AGENCIES & PROGRAMS

### 2-1-1 BROWARD

Bridge to Life; General Hotline; Special Needs & Behavioral Health Hotline

### ARC BROWARD

MOST SN; STEP; Family Strengthening

### ADVOCACY NETWORK ON DISABILITIES

MOST GP; Family Strengthening

### AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS, INC.

MOST; MOST SN

### ANN STORCK CENTER, INC.

MOST SN

### BECOM TV

Public Awareness

### BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

MOST; Family Strengthening

### BOYS TOWN SFL, INC.

Family Strengthening

### BROWARD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COALITION

Trauma; Family Strengthening

### BROWARD CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC.

MOST SN; Family Strengthening

### BROWARD COUNTY

Drowning Prevention; MOST

### BROWARD EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Bridge 2 Life; Senior Send-off

### BROWARD HEALTHY START COALITION

Safe Sleep

### BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE

New DAY

### CAMELOT COMMUNITY CENTERS

New DAY; Healthy Youth Transition (HYT)

### CAREERSOURCE BROWARD

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

### CENTER FOR HEARING & COMMUNICATION

STEP; Family Strengthening; Youth FORCE; MOST SN

### CHILDREN'S HARBOR

Family Strengthening

### COMMUNITY ACCESS CENTER, INC.

Youth FORCE

### COMMUNITY AFTER SCHOOL

MOST; Margate CRA

### COMMUNITY BASED CONNECTIONS

LEAP; HEAL; MOST

### COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COLLABORATION

Hunger

### COMMUNITY RECONSTRUCTION HOUSING, INC.

Youth FORCE

### CROCKETT FOUNDATION

Youth FORCE

### EAGLES HAVEN

Trauma

### EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF BROWARD COUNTY

Subsidized Childcare; Vulnerable Population Slots

### FAMILY CENTRAL

Family Strengthening; Positive Behavior Support;

### FIREWALL CENTERS, INC.

Youth FORCE; LEAP; MOST

### FLIPANY

Hunger -MOST

### FLITE - FORT LAUDERDALE INDEPENDENCE TRAINING & EDUCATION CENTER

HYT; (CWSYOP) Child Welfare System Youth Organizers Pilot; HOPE Court

### FLORIDA DEPT. OF HEALTH - BROWARD COUNTY

Drowning Prevention; KidCare Outreach

### FOREVER FAMILY

Adoption Promotion

### GULF COAST COMMUNITY CARE

Family Strengthening; HYT

### HALLANDALE BEACH-CRA

MOST

### HANDSON BROWARD

Volunteer Management; Grade Level Reading

### HANDY

HYT; Youth FORCE

### HANLEY FOUNDATION

Substance Abuse Prevention Training

### HARMONY DEVELOPMENT CENTER, INC.

New DAY; Youth FORCE; Kinship; PEACE; HYT

### HARVEST DRIVE

Hunger Relief

### HEART GALLERY OF BROWARD

Adoption Promotion

**HENDERSON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

New DAY; Family Strengthening; HYT; Support ECL to Expedite Permanency

**HISPANIC UNITY OF FLORIDA**

Youth FORCE; EITC; LEAP High; Family Strengthening

**HOLLYWOOD, CITY OF**

MOST

**H.O.M.E.S. INC.** – Housing Opportunities, Mortgage Assistance, and Effective Neighborhood Solutions, Inc.  
HYT

**HONEY SHINE MENTORING PROGRAM**

Mentoring

**JACK & JILL**

Family Strengthening

**JEWISH ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE OPTIONS, INC.**

Family Strengthening; SN Case Management; Trauma; MOST SN

**JULIANA GERENA & ASSOCIATES**

Family Strengthening; New DAY

**KIDVISION/WPBT**

Early Childhood Education

**KIDS IN DISTRESS, INC.**

MOST; Kinship; Family Strengthening

**LAUDERDALE LAKES, CITY OF**

MOST

**LEGAL AID SERVICES OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.**

Kinship; Legal Representation of Youth in Child Welfare System

**MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE SYSTEM**

BREAK; New DAY; Family Strengthening; MOMS; Youth FORCE; HYT; Youth FORCE-DeLuca Foundation; HEAL

**MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA**

Kinship Support; Trauma

**MIRAMAR, CITY OF**

MOST

**MOUNT BETHEL-PREVENTION CENTRAL**

Family Strengthening

**M NETWORK**

Public Awareness

**MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY & SCIENCE**

HYT; LEAP

**NEIGHBORS 4 NEIGHBORS**

Public Awareness

**NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY**

A Day for Children

**OPPORTUNITIES IND. CTR. (OIC) OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

Youth FORCE

**OUR CHILDREN, OUR FUTURE, INC.**

Youth FORCE

**PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS**

New DAY; HYT; Family Strengthening

**PEMBROKE PINES, CITY OF**

MOST SN

**READING AND MATH**

Literacy

**SMITH COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH**

MOST SN; BREAK; Youth FORCE; STEP; PEACE

**SMITH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATES**

Family Strengthening; New DAY

**SOREF JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**

MOST

**SOUTH FLORIDA HUNGER COALITION**

Mobile School Pantry; Summer BreakSpot

**SUNSERVE**

HYT

**SUNSHINE AFTERSCHOOL CHILD CARE, INC.**

MOST

**UNITED COMMUNITY OPTIONS**

MOST SN; STEP

**UNITED WAY OF BROWARD COUNTY**

Choose Peace Stop Violence; Economic Self Sufficiency

**URBAN LEAGUE OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.**

New DAY; MOST; Youth FORCE; HYT

**WEST PARK, CITY OF**

MOST; Youth FORCE

**YMCA OF BROWARD COUNTY**

LEAP; Youth FORCE; STEP; MOST and MOST SN; Deerfield CRA; Peace

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