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President’s Message

I am excited about the work each chapter of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency has been doing to honor this year’s theme, “Mental Health in Criminal Justice: Crisis or Opportunity?”. As we observed Mental Health Awareness Month in May, I wanted to take a moment to extend my heartfelt thanks to each one of you for your tireless dedication to mental health for both our staff and those in our care.

Mental Health Awareness Month, first recognized in 1949, is a time for us to come together to raise awareness about mental health issues, reduce stigma, and promote mental wellness. Your efforts to educate, support, and advocate for those affected by mental health challenges are invaluable, and I am grateful for everything you do. This work is both important and personal, as my brother took his life after suffering from mental illness. Our ability to reduce the stigma associated with mental illness and reach out to those who may be in pain has a significant impact on our communities.

I want to express my excitement about the upcoming training institute in August of 2024. We are privileged to have nationally renowned experts in the field of mental health and staff wellness present at this year’s training institute. I am looking forward to seeing you all there and to the opportunity to learn from each other, share our experiences, and continue to grow in our work to promote mental health and well-being in the criminal justice field.

Your commitment and hard work are truly making a difference in the lives of so many individuals, families, and communities. Thank you once again for your dedication and commitment to this important work. I am honored to be a part of such a passionate and caring organization as the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency.

With warm regards,

Laura Bedard, President
Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency



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STATEWIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Submitted by Donna Wiebe, FCCD Statewide Community Service Chair

FCCD President Dr. Laura Bedard has chosen
Mental Health Awareness for Employees and Offenders as
her statewide community service project for this year.

FCCD chapters participated in local community service projects within their community in April and May. Many chapters participated in the Torch Run for Special Olympics. The following chapters reported additional community service projects: Chapter 7- in addition to the Torch Run, Chapter 7 members supported Up Orlando Coalition for the Homeless and participated in the NAMI Walk; Chapter 15 members



donated \$150 to the 2nd Alarm Project, a nonprofit organization that offers programs and services to support the mental health of first responders; Chapter 20 donated 2 large boxes of supplies to Matthew’s Hope, a nonprofit organization supporting local homeless individuals.



At the upcoming Training Institute in August, we will again be partnering with Mental Health for Heroes of Pinellas County, an organization which provides mental health services to the First Responder community. For more information on this organization, please check out their website: mhforheroes.com. This organization takes cash donations only, so we will be collecting monetary donations at the board meeting and from attendees at the institute. There will be collection jars for donations located in various



areas during the training institute to include registration and the vendor hall. We raised \$3,700 for this organization at the November 2023 board meeting, so in true FCCD fashion, let’s surpass this amount at the institute!!!!



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OVER \$600 RAISED

Chapter 1

Chapter 1 has been on a roll with fundraising utilizing the Double Good Popcorn site. The proceeds of the first event in February 2024 went towards funding the Black History Program with over \$600 raised. In April 2024, more than \$500 was raised and the proceeds went towards sponsoring Chapter 1 members to attend the upcoming institute. Over the course of the year Chapter 1 has worked endlessly trying to increase chapter funds and membership involvement. There has been great progress thus far with no thoughts of slowing down

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Chapter 1

Chapter 1, located in Tampa, FL Co-Hosted a Black History Program in conjunction with Circuit 13- Florida Department of Corrections on Friday, February 23, 2024. The program focused on success, influence, and empowerment of the black community, discussed ways to break barriers, and the challenges black citizens may have experienced. The program was attended by over fifty individuals. This event was an excellent opportunity to highlight the achievements of local Black community leaders in all aspects

of the criminal justice field. Speakers included Alec Fitzgerald Hall, Esq.- Federal Defender, Reginald L. Wilson, Provost, Dr. Omavi Bailey, and Michael Dozier- Past Imperial Potentate of Harram Temple #23. We appreciate each speaker as they delivered extraordinary messages and pointers on how to reach new heights in their careers.

This was an excellent training event for Chapter 1, and we are already looking to the opportunity to Co-Host this event again next year!

KNOWING WHAT IS IMPORTANT

Chapter 2

By Tim Strickland, President

Anthony J. D’Angelo said, “The most important things in life aren’t things”. This sentiment was put on jarring display on May 10, 2024 in and around Tallahassee for all of Chapter 2.

Chapter 2 was scheduled to host our annual golf tournament which is the primary fundraiser for the chapter. Storms were forecast for the area. Golf Chairman Dennis Hollinsworth was diligently tracking the forecast. Thunder storms were expected to move through the area early, clearing by mid-morning. It was expected that the start of the tournament would be delayed by 1 to 2 hours. Nature has a way of being unpredictable.

Between 6:30am and 7:00am a strong line of thunder storms moved through and numerous tornadoes hit in Tallahassee and surrounding areas. Damage was done to FSU, FAMU and many other neighborhoods had multiple trees



down on homes, cars and across roads. Electric poles were also snapped, just as trees were.

Hilaman Golf Course on Blairstone Road was completely cut off with road blockage across many sections of Blairstone Road. Obviously, the tournament was cancelled. Chairman Hollinsworth quickly notified the team captains that the tournament was cancelled to hopefully keep players from attempting to drive to the course in the dangerous conditions.



The City of Tallahassee Utilities estimates 80,000 people without power, including government offices. Numerous homes, vehicles

and other property received damage ranging from minor to major. Schools were closed and a woman lost her life when a tree crashed into her home.

In looking over the damage, picking up a shovel, chainsaw or whatever was needed to help start the cleaning and recovery process the thought of a cancelled golf tournament has easily been put into perspective. It’s just a thing. All of Chapter 2 extends our thoughts, prayers and service to those who suffered through the storm and we remember, “The most important things in life aren’t things”. The most important things in life are the people in our lives. Don’t let another day go by without letting those who are most important to you know how you feel.



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WHO ARE YOU IN FCCD?

Chapter 2

By Tim Strickland, President

FCCD offers numerous opportunities to serve. In chapters as well as the state board there are specific things that are accomplished by individual members who serve on various committees. The mission of FCCD cannot be successful without those individual members who choose to serve. So, who are you in FCCD? How do you choose to serve to further the mission?

There are many slogans and quotes on service. Ethel Percy Andrus the founder of AARP, yes, I am old so move along, had the slogan “To serve, not to be served”, JFK’s famous quotation “Ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country”, and Margaret Mead, Ph.D. anthropologist said “Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.” are a few of my favorites.

With FCCD you choose how active you are and how you serve. What are you passionate about? You can focus your service to your passion. FCCD’s mission “is to foster interagency collaboration of all criminal justice entities, provide relevant training, and encourage community service throughout the State of Florida.” The two primary areas of the mission are 1) training and 2) community service. In order to accomplish those two missions, we must also have the funds to operate so we also must 3) fundraise. Whether it is a chapter board or the state board the elected board members cannot complete the mission without others rowing the boat and working together.

Many of us love training. Not necessarily sitting through a lecture but actually getting in front of people to deliver, what most trainers hope is, an engaging and impactful exchange of information. Do you have the passion of teaching? Are you passionate about any subject, yes hobbies count? You may be able to help deliver a great training

opportunity. You can start small and one day, or maybe next year, you could be a presenter at the Annual Training Institute. The path is there for you to walk.

Each chapter serves the communities we are in with various community service projects. Some may be grand and some may be very simple. Some are just FCCD and others include partners from other organizations or agencies. Whatever the cause, you can always bring your passion to serve others to the work. Almost every chapter has regular or legacy community service projects. You can help initiate a new project that itself can become a legacy event and years from now people will benefit from your idea and your service.

Without fundraising chapters are not able to provide scholarships for member to attend the annual training institute. Like service projects chapters have regular fundraisers but new ideas are not only always welcome, they are needed for any organization. What ideas do you have?

Remember the story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody? There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody’s job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn’t do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have. FCCD is not looking for just somebody. FCCD is not looking for just anybody. FCCD is not looking for everybody. What FCCD is looking for is YOU. What you need to answer is who are you in FCCD and how will you choose to serve? If you don’t know reach out to other and help them in their passion. I guarantee that you will find your fit and together FCCD will succeed.



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Reference:
1. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Use of Medication-Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder in Criminal Justice Settings. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 2019. PEP19-MATUSECJS. Accessed February 2023.

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AFTER SCHOOL SPOT

Chapter 3

By PJ Catalano

FCCD Chapter 3 partnered with United Way of Central Florida, Highlands County for a “Day of Caring”, to benefit the After School Spot for children in our community.

When we first arrived at the After School Spot and saw the overgrown yard, we did not think we were going to be able to clean it to the point that it would be safe for the kids to walk and play in, none the less be able to provide them an outside sitting area, within a 4-hour time frame. When the FCCD Chapter 3 TEAM of volunteers came together to clean up the neglected yard, we not only cleared away the overgrowth but also created an environment that fosters inspiration and imagination. Your efforts have truly made a positive impact on the community.

Your commitment to this project exemplifies the spirit of teamwork, compassion, and service. By working together, you have not only beautified the area but also created a space where young people can find solace, peace, and a sense of belonging. This project aimed to provide a safe



and creative outdoor space for children to relax and be inspired.

By giving back in this way, the Chapter expressed gratitude to other nonprofits organizations in the community for their dedication to keeping children safe. The collaboration between FCCD Chapter 3 and United Way of Central Florida exemplifies the spirit of community service and support for the well-being of children. It’s heartwarming to see such efforts to create positive impacts and foster a nurturing environment for the younger generations.

We are incredibly proud of the dedication and passion each of you has shown throughout this project. Your hard work and determination have turned a neglected space into a vibrant and creative oasis for the youth in our community. Thank you once again for your outstanding efforts and for making a difference in the lives of others. Your contributions have not gone unnoticed, and I am grateful to have such a dedicated and caring team.



PROJECTS AND UPDATES

Chapter 4

By Tammy Marcus, President

During this past quarter, Chapter 4 members participated in several community service projects. On March 26, 2024, many of our chapter members and Circuit 17 probation officers in Broward County donated blood at the Oneblood mobile bus and with their life saving donations, they potentially saved 18 lives. Blood Donor Honor Roll of participants included Florida DOC Circuit 17 Administrator Melinda Bethel, DCA Jhi Craven, Probation Supervisors Tammy Marcus and Yolanda McDougle, and Senior Officer Probation Officer Jill Holness.

For Women’s History Month, Chapter 4 FCCD members and Circuit 17 Probation Officers got together for a “Tea Talk” luncheon event at Triplex Probation Office, where many of our female staff got dressed up in their Sunday best to share accomplishments of women. Broward Sheriff Officer (BSO) Nicole Anderson was the guest speaker, and she truly is a trail-blazer for women in that she started as a probation officer with the Florida Department of Corrections and then ultimately ended up as the second in command in her current role with BSO. Door prizes were given at the event, and Chapter 4 donated a \$25 gift card to the for Best Dressed which was awarded to Senior Officer Kimberly Scott.



Our Chapter 4 members and Circuit 17 Probation Officers also participated in the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run in Broward on April 24, 2024. Probation Officers along with many other Law Enforcement teams ran, walked, and biked along AIA from Fort Lauderdale Beach to Pompano Beach to bring awareness to Special Olympics. Three of the Probation Officers completed the entire eight-mile trek. Senior Supervisor Jennifer Simmons, and Senior Officer Patricia Solenski ran for the entire leg of the Broward County run while Tammy Marcus (CPS) biked behind the runners passing out waters. Torch Run runners also included Christine DeCicco (CPSO), Chris Kelly (HRS), Dudley Ellington (HRS), Lorne Reynolds (CPSO). Circuit 17 Community Corrections also raised over \$500 for Special Olympics in T shirt sales. Way to go TEAM!



We cannot forget our animal friends. Chapter 4 donated \$100 to Lady Luck Pet Rescue and brought pet toys to the Cat Café in Fort Lauderdale, where patrons can come and pet the furry felines as well as adopt cats and kittens affiliated with Lady Luck Pet Rescue. This Cat Café does not charge an admission fee to visit the café and it operates solely on generous donations from the community. Chapter 4 will be making regular donations to the shelter in effort to control the homeless cat population in Broward County.

UPDATES ON TRAINING AND FUNDRAISING

Chapter 5 By Naomi Jones, President



On February 13th, members of Chapter 5, including Tina Morgan, Candace Morgan, Nancy, and Marvin Griffis, baked and decorated 9-inch homemade chocolate chip cookies. These cookies were delivered on February 14th, Valentine's Day, to various institutions and probation offices within our chapter. A short message could be added to each cookie for your special loved one or friend, making them a popular choice.

On February 23, Chapter 5 organized a lunch and learn event on Suicide Awareness and Prevention at Lawtey CI. We were grateful to Warden Don Davis for allowing us to hold the event at the Lawtey Training Building. Mr. John Miller, from the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, gave a remarkable presentation. Mr. Miller has worked with children and teenagers throughout his life and has dedicated his life to prevention after two teenagers he personally knew took their own lives.

The two factors of prevention that we learned were to show that you care, and to be someone they can trust. If you notice that something is not right with someone, ask the tough questions and don't leave it with an "I'm okay." With these two simple things, you can prevent a loss of life. Remember, talk saves lives!

Chapter 5 would like to express our gratitude to Mr. Miller for taking the time to share his knowledge and preventative measures with us. We would also like to thank Vice President Barlow for initiating the lunch and learn event by introducing Mr. Miller and his bio. Additionally, we extend our thanks to the people behind the scenes who made everything possible and helped get everything ready for the event. Special thanks to Candice Morgan, Cindy Little, Dorothy Stafford, Ms. Mary Taylor, Marvin, and Nancy Griffis.



On April 13, multiple Chapter 5 members participated in the Union County Torch run with the Union County Elementary School. Going past Union County Middle School and then finishing at the High School. RRT members from Union Correctional Institution, Reception Medical Center, and a few other hard-core runners started at Lake Butler Lake making a 5-mile loop before ending at the elementary school for the 2-mile walk to the high school.

CHAPTER 7 EVENT UPDATES



Chapter VII was in attendance for the 2024 5k Nami Walk. Chapter VII members were able to not only participate in the 5k walk, but also enjoy raffles and other entertainment such as dancing.

NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Illness. They are the country's largest mental health organization. NAMI is dedicated to improving the lives of millions of Americans affected by mental illness.



Law Enforcement Torch Run

The Law Enforcement Torch Run has been held in Florida for over four decades. Law enforcement agencies in Florida serve as Guardians of the Flame, carrying the Flame of Hope through each county. Thank you to everyone who took part in this memorable event.



Chapter VII 1st Mental Health Training





FCCD Chapter VII collaborated with Osceola County Corrections to raise awareness among first responders regarding mental health. Special thanks to Yuberky Almonte, Chief of Osceola County Corrections, for suggesting this idea to us. We'd also like to thank all of our sponsors for their amazing presentations and speeches, as well as the wealth of information they brought from previous experiences. Thank you to Retreat Behavioral Health, UCF Restores, Catalyst Counseling, Help Now, Central Florida Behavioral Hospital, Healing House, Blue Line Support, and the Orange County Fire Rescue. This event would not have been possible without your support. Special thanks to Amanda Kuhlman, our Training Coordinator, who helped us put this training together.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING – RAISING AWARENESS

Chapter 15

By Michele Willforth, Past-President



Friday, March 15, 2024, attendees at the Suwannee Correctional Institution Training Building received a relevant, informative training presented by Dr. Katherine Gomez, Director of Human Trafficking Intervention, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. Dr. Gomez, accompanied by Analyst, Ms. Logan McGee, presented, “The Introduction to Human Trafficking and the Intersection with Sexual Offending.”

Human trafficking is a global problem, affecting persons of all ages, races, origins, disabilities, backgrounds, educational levels, professions, and neighborhoods. There is no specific or single profile to identify human trafficking victims or perpetrators of human trafficking. We encourage you to attend or host, these educational trainings, to further educate yourself and others, to recognize and to report suspected human trafficking, to help combat

this horrific, complex crime and to advocate for the victims of human trafficking.

For more information, please visit the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice – Human Trafficking Intervention web page and the National Human Trafficking Hotline webpage.

President Traci Osborn would like to thank Dr. Gomez and Ms. McGee, and all those who attended this training event.



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Chapter 15

By Michele Willforth, Past-President



Since revitalization in 2019, FCCD Chapter 15 has focused on supporting those in our local communities. Giving back and giving a hand up to those in need remain two of our primary mottos to live by.

The 2023-2024 year, under President Traci Osborn’s tenure has been another successful year of community service. It would be remiss not to mention that without the support and participation of our Chapter members, supporters, and participants, we could not

continue to positively affect those in our local communities.

President Osborn and the current board members want to thank and acknowledge each of you for your support and participation of the FCCD Chapter 15 events and community service projects, that without you, would not be possible. Together, we can do remarkable things!

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THE JOY OF IT! Chapter 15

By Michele Willforth, Past-President

Fundraising is one essential element of a chapter's success. Proceeds or portions of proceeds may be used for a variety of chapter events, projects, and overall expenses, all while maintaining the established guidelines of a non-profit organization.

However, more importantly, it is the pure joy and the amazing smiles of those who win an opportunity raffle and the enthusiasm of the winner(s) of a chapter event, which make it exciting and worthwhile!

Although all FCCD Chapter 15 members and supporters are invaluable, the President Traci Osborn and the FCCD Chapter 15 board would like to recognize and congratulate all opportunity and event winners to date, for the 2023-2024 year! Your luck and perseverance are inspiring. Congratulations!





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VOLUSIA COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS TORCH RUN

Chapter 17

By Josh Lynn, President

FCCD Chapter 17 members awoke early Saturday Morning to represent FCCD Chapter 17 in Volusia County's Leg of the Special Olympics Torch Run. It was an amazing event that was well planned by the Ormond Beach Police Department with Food Trucks, Bounce Houses and other games for everyone's enjoyment. FCCD Chapter 17 will also have representatives running in the final leg of the Torch Run at Disney's Wide World of Sports later this month.

LEGACY DAY Chapter 18

FCCD Chapter 18 was invited to assist with grilling hamburgers and hotdogs for Fessenden Elementary’s Legacy Day. Members along with students, their families and our community were privileged to view, enjoy, and learn more about Fessenden Elementary’s history, Black History in general and our local Black History within Marion County. A mini, mobile museum with so many artifacts were on display for all.

It was at this event we discovered that Fessenden’s Elementary’s PTO was in need of a grill.



FIRST ANNUAL DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

Chapter 18 By David LaCob

On April 27, 2024, Chapter 18 held their First Annual Dodgeball Tournament. The tournament was held at Fessenden Elementary School and was open to any teams within the community. The event was held as a fundraiser for the Chapter to send members the Annual Training Institute in St. Pete Beach this August.

The tournament had eleven teams participate in the fun filled day. Winners were determined after a double elimination format that featured many exciting matches.

The winning team received a custom painted dodgeball, along with gift bags from Element Spin of Ocala. The second and third place teams also received a custom painted dodgeball.



First Place: Loaded Minion (Border Patrol)



Second Place: Lake C.I. Lakers



Third Place: Slade Certified Roofing-Ocala

Thank you to all the teams that participated and we are looking forward to hosting more teams next year.

NATIONWIDE DEFERRED COMP TRAINING

Chapter 20

On March 5, 2024 (Cocoa Probation Office), and again on April 16, 2024 (Titusville Probation Office), Kim Sparks of Nationwide came to Brevard County to give training on the benefits of having and saving with Deferred Comp. In attendance were Supervisors, Officers and PPS's who were blessed with her presentation, and her caring guidance. It was an excellent training! Thank you, Kim Sparks, you have helped a lot of people in Brevard County at Florida Department of Corrections!



CHAPTER 20 HELPING THE HOMELESS

In the middle of March 2024, Cocoa Probation began collecting items for the homeless in Cocoa to give the donations to Matthews Hope. Matthews Hope is a Faith Based, Non-Profit Organization that reaches out and truly helps the homeless people. We collected two boxes stuffed with supplies that can help the homeless and their needs. We appreciate everyone who contributed. Matthews Hope was very appreciative!



Matthews Hope provides all types of services such as showers, haircuts, food, hygiene items, supplies, counseling and so much more. This is the 2nd location which opened in October 2022. The first outreach of Matthews Hope was in Winter Garden where they opened their doors on March 30, 2010, and are still serving! Thank you to Matthews Hope, who have served thousands of homeless people over the years in Winter Garden, Florida and now in Cocoa, Florida as well!

LAW ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL OLYMPICS TORCH RUN

Chapter 20

By Donna Martin Bolton, President

On April 24, 2024, hundreds of Law Enforcement Officers, including Probation Officers from Circuit, Melbourne and Cocoa Offices, in Brevard County met at Downtown Melbourne, Florida to run/walk over the 1-92 Bridge overlooking the Indian River to raise awareness for Special Olympics. Officers and Special Olympics athletes participated in the Annual Torch Run Event, The Flame of Hope! Everyone was smiling as they participated in the 2-mile run/walk. It's a great event to be involved in as we are blessed to see the smiles of the Special Olympics athletes and great comradery among Law Enforcement and Probation Officers. We are all looking forward to next year's event!



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FALLEN OFFICER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Chapter 25

FCCD Chapter 25 is collecting donations to assist our local Law Enforcement Agency with the presentation of the Holmes County Fallen Officer Memorial Scholarships. Holmes County Sheriff's Office presents a scholarship to each of our 4 High Schools in memory of our Fallen Officers. A graduate wishing to pursue a career in Law Enforcement is awarded a scholarship at each High School here, in Holmes County. Each scholarship is a memorial of Holmes County officers, who lost their life, in the line of duty. We will be accepting cash and checks to help fund the scholarships.

Chapter 25 is raising money for Holmes County Fallen Officer Memorial Scholarships. Holmes County Sheriff's office provides 4 scholarships that are dedicated to the fallen officers of Holmes County.

We are accepting cash and checks. Please make checks payable to Holmes County Sheriff's Auxiliary and add "Scholarship" in the memo. Donations will be collected by Sgt. Belcher and Sgt. Hundley. You can also drop off or mail donations to the Holmes County Sheriff's Office at 1173 East Hwy 90 Bonifay, FL 32425.

Lonny Lee Lindsey Memorial Scholarship: Bethlehem High School

Gregory Guy Malloy Memorial Scholarship: Ponce de Leon High School

Daniel Brownell Memorial Scholarship: Holmes County High School

Joe Bill Galloway Memorial Scholarship: Poplar Springs High School



RACING AROUND THE TRACK

Chapter 25

On Friday, April 26th, MeMe & Pa's daycare held their annual Trike-A-Thon to help raise money for St. Jude's Children Hospital. FCCD Chapter 25 was in attendance and donated to the cause. Miss Jessica was very appreciative to accept our donation. We enjoy being an active part of the community and providing much needed assistance. Investing in our community is a pride point and goal of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency and a priority of FCCD Chapter 25.



SPEARHEADING COMMUNITY SUPPORT INITIATIVES

Chapter 27

The Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, Chapter 27 recently organized a successful Autism awareness event, underscoring their commitment to community engagement and support. The event, held with the aim of raising awareness and fostering understanding about Autism Spectrum Disorder, garnered significant attention and participation, showcasing the organization's dedication to inclusivity and education. Building on this momentum, the council is now gearing up for their upcoming community outreach initiative - a backpack and food drive scheduled for July 27th, 2024, at East Ridge High School. This event serves as a testament to their ongoing efforts to address essential needs within the community and make a tangible difference in the lives of those in need. The backpack and food drive aims to collect essential supplies for those facing economic hardships, ensuring that students and families have access to the resources they need to thrive. By providing backpacks filled with school supplies and nutritious food items, the council hopes to alleviate some of the burdens faced by individuals and families in the community. The event at East Ridge High School will not only serve as a platform for collecting donations but also



as a space for fostering a sense of unity and solidarity within the community. Through collaborative efforts and a shared commitment to giving back, the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency Chapter 27 seeks to create a positive impact that extends beyond the event itself. Volunteers, donors, and community members are encouraged to participate

in this noble cause, contributing to a collective effort that embodies the spirit of compassion and support. By coming together to support those in need, the council and its partners aim to strengthen community bonds and make a meaningful difference in the lives of individuals facing challenges.

As the date of the backpack and food drive approaches, the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency Chapter 27 looks forward to the continued support and generosity of the community. Through initiatives like these, the council remains steadfast in its mission to promote awareness, foster understanding, and provide assistance to those who need it most.

Together, through acts of kindness and collective action, we can build a more compassionate and supportive community where everyone has the opportunity to thrive. Join us on July 27th, 2024, at East Ridge High School, as we come together to make a difference and spread hope and positivity in our community.

2nd Annual Back to School Bash

FECD - Chapter 27
July 27, 2024
from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
13322 Excalibur Road Clermont, FL 34711

Back Pack / Food Drive Giveaway
First Come First Serve!! (Drive Thru)

"FarmShare, Inc.
This institution is an equal
opportunity provider"

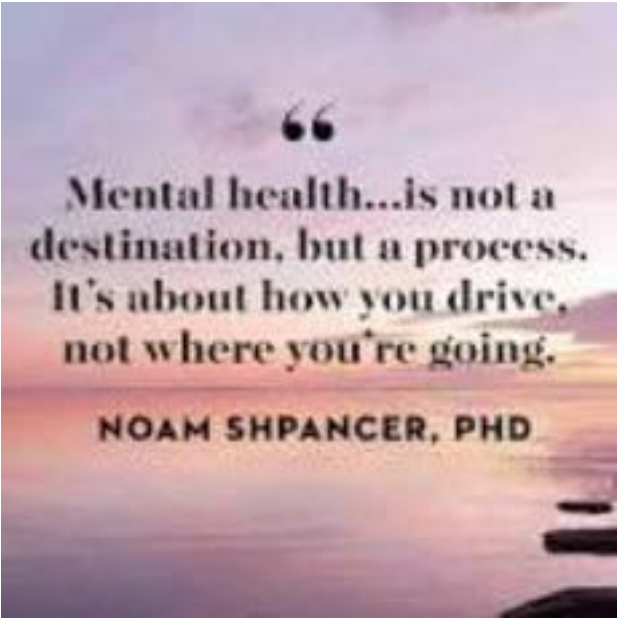
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SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Chapter 28

Chapter 28 members, along with staff from Desoto Correctional Institution, Desoto County Sherriff's Office and Arcadia Police Department, participated in the Desoto County leg of the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. Such a great turnout for an amazing cause.



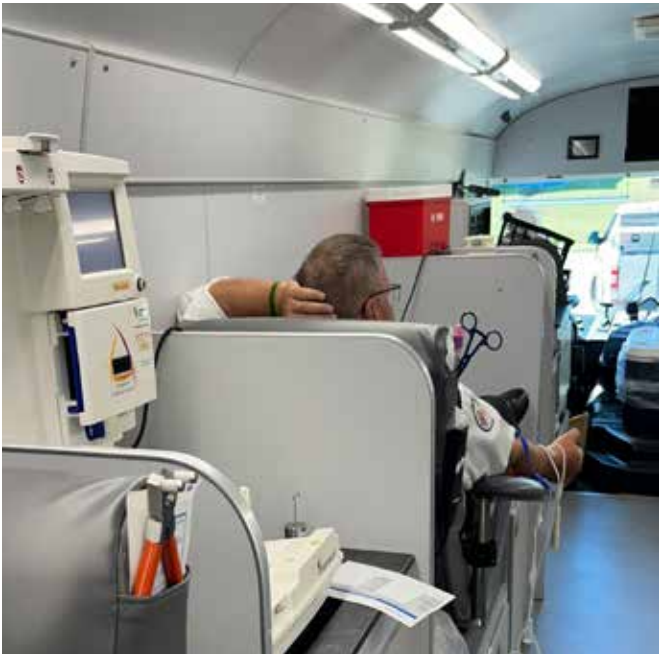
BLOOD DRIVES - GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE

Chapter 29

By John Clark, President

In January and again in March, Chapter 29 members teamed up with staff members from Jefferson CI, Madison CI, Taylor CI, and Hamilton CI to donate blood through OneBlood.org. More than 40 members participated at the four institutions during

the bus visits and we could not be prouder of them. Their willingness to commit their time to this effort is truly appreciated. For more information on scheduling a blood drive in your area, please search ONEBLOOD.org.



WCTV ANNUAL PBJ JAM

In April, Chapter 29 members teamed up with Jefferson CI staff members to collect jars of Peanut Butter and Jelly for WCTV's Annual PBJ PLZ Drive. Donations of peanut butter and jelly were collected in order to be donated to schools in the Big Bend area. This annual food drive provides much needed meals for children who are attending summer school and after school programs that would otherwise go hungry. As usual, the support was amazing with more than 100 items being donated. A great big "Thank You!" to all who participated and we look forward to doing it again next year. For more information, please Google search: WCTV #PBJ PLZ



Mental Health in Criminal Justice

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Mental health in Criminal Justice is something countless officers struggle with every day. Show your love and support for those suffering. Big or small we appreciate it all! From gift cards, gift baskets, a vacation getaway, or just a few bucks! All proceeds from the silent auction will be donated to the cause.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

↓ DONATE NOW! ↓

GIVE
TO THE
CAUSE

THANK YOU
so much!



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Chapter 34

By Eric "Stogie" Miner, President

Chapter 34 has been working diligently with the Legion of St. Michael, Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, Polk County Chapter, with their monthly Bike Nights at Tanner's Lakeside in Winter Haven. We have been successful in fundraising for a few charitable causes such as, Fight Like Luke, Kids Christmas, and Big Daddy Strength.

Team 34 partnered with Chapters 12, 3, and 28, on May 11th for an Inaugural Poker Run throughout Polk, Highlands, and Hardee Counties! Our focus was to raise funds for the 2nd Alarm Project. At the end of our run, we met at the FOP Lodge in Lakeland for a bike show. We are doing our part to promote Mental Health Awareness to First Responders! I'm looking forward to reporting on this event at 4th quarter.



I'm proud to be able to say that this year has been very exciting covering Mental Health! Thank you to President Bedard for your inspiration! The FDC is starting a program called Post Traumatic

Peer Support. I am encouraging all to get involved with this and obtain more training. The program, 2nd Alarm Project, has a free app for your phone as well as free counseling. They also conduct trainings across the state for Struggle Well.

Get Involved and Help!

Just as a reminder, cast your vote for Secretary for the State Executive Board. If you don't know how the voting process works, feel free to reach out.

Make a positive impact on someone today!

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SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Chapter 35

By Naimah Miller, President

On Saturday, February 24th, 2024, FCCD Chapter 35 hosted our third softball tournament at the Will Kendrick Sports Complex in Carrabelle, Florida. Here in Carrabelle, we do what we love the most and that is play softball. During this tournament, we had four teams to play and which resulted in a \$1000 profit. The Behind the Line team came in First place. This one thing that we do on the forgotten coast is a passion of many of ours. Go FRANKLIN!



Voting Instructions

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How to Vote

1. Visit FCCD’s Election page on our website. <https://myfccd.org/Elections/>
2. Click on the login link in the upper right-hand corner of the site.
3. Enter your login information and click Log In. If you do not know your password, click on the “Forgot password” link and follow the instructions.
4. Once logged into the site, you will be allowed to access the ballot by following the link on the Elections page. For more information about the candidates, click on the links provided.



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Note: Candidates with an asterisk (*) after their name were nominated by the Nominations Committee for their respective positions.

To cast your vote for officers of FCCD please log into your account and click the link below.

[2024 Officers Ballot](#)

For more information on the candidates for Secretary, click on the links provided below.



[Angela Gordon](#)



[Eric Miner](#)

The ballot is only accessible to members in good standing and requires each member to log into their account. Please click [here](#) should you have issues voting, or need help accessing the ballot.



Eric "Stogie" Miner

Hello, I'm Eric "Stogie" Miner. At the 93rd Annual Criminal Justice Training Institute, I was nominated for Secretary to the State Executive Board. I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself to those brothers and sisters that don't know me. I am one that has a strong desire to complete the tasks at hand, but enjoys having fun at the same time. My personal quote is, "Make a positive impact on someone today".

I have been married to my wife Teresa, for 12 years. I am a father to two grown daughters, and a grandfather to two growing boys. My hobbies include, coordinating fund raising and sporting events, drinking a great coffee, smoking cigars, riding my Harley, and

watching Florida State University football and softball. I've been in Law Enforcement and Corrections, in Colorado, Johnston Atoll, and Florida, for over 20 years. I currently work for the Florida Department of Corrections as the Wellness Education Specialist at Hardee Correctional Institution in Bowling Green. I am the President of Chapter 34 of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency serving Hardee County, the Polk Chapter President and the Florida State Boss for the Legion of St. Michael, Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, a Master Mason at Lake Wales Lodge #242, a member of the Fraternal Order of Police-Polk Chapter

#46, a member of the Sons of the American Legion Post #72 in Mulberry. I am also an ordained minister and assist with the children's ministry and Celebrate Recovery at Christ Community Church in Winter Haven. Needless to say, I am a selfless servant that is dedicated to serving others. If I am selected as your secretary, my level of dedication would only increase, as I strive to accept and meet any challenges. My yearning to grow our organization has already begun with my own chapter with the attainable goal of doubling our current membership. I strive to be punctual and attentive to all meetings and events. Thank you for your time.



Angela Gordon

Angela Gordon grew up in Mayo, FL and graduated from high school in 1991. She went on to attend Mars Hill College in Mars Hill, NC and graduated with a double major in Political Science and History. She began her career with the Department of Corrections September 1994 as a Correctional Officer at Mayo CI. In July 1995, she was promoted to Correctional Probation Officer at Hamilton CI. She was at Hamilton until 1999 when she was promoted to Correctional Probation Senior Officer at Mayo CI where she was first introduced to the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency. She attended her first FCCD Training Institute in 2002 and was hooked. In 2003, she was promoted to the first female Classification Supervisor at FSP "O" Unit, which later became part of New River CI. To further her career knowledge, she transferred to RMC to learn the

reception process in 2005. In 2007, she took the opportunity to move closer to home as Classification Supervisor at Taylor CI Annex. She was then given the opportunity to promote to Assistant Warden at Tomoka CI in 2009, where she was asked to take over as the President of FCCD Chapter 17. She served as Chapter 17 President from 2011-2013. She was promoted to the first female Warden at Marion CI in November 2013 and became President of Chapter 18, where she served as President for the year of 2013-2014. Subsequently, she moved to Lowell CI, the largest female correctional institution in the nation, as Warden in February 2015. In August 2016, she was promoted to the position of Director of Institutions in Region I. She has been encouraged over the years by many of the greats in the field of Corrections. She was

always encouraged to reach for the stars and never give up. She is active in numerous Corrections and Law Enforcement professional organizations. She obtained her degree of Master of Science in Criminal Justice from the University of Central Florida in May 2023. She continues to be active in FCCD and has served as a committee chair for many years. In 2021, Secretary Dixon asked that she take the role as the liaison between the Department of Corrections and FCCD. She continues to work closely with Department of Corrections, FCCD State Board, and local chapters to revitalize the organization within the Department of Corrections. She is looking forward to having the opportunity to run for an official seat on the State Executive Board in the position of Secretary and hopes to continue moving the organization forward!

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