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FY 21-22 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

### Message From Our Board Chair



### **Dear Friends**

As we forge ahead into a new year I wish to reflect and give thanks to my team across our family of agencies for their relentless commitment to serving the children and families across our great county. Despite the challenges faced by a multi-year pandemic, two hurricanes and an unstable economy, you have never waivered your dedication to delivering quality services with profound compassion.

To the community at large and our stakeholders, I wish to express our sincere appreciation for your overwhelming support and generosity throughout the holidays and all through the year in giving to our children in need and the families who continue to be at-risk. Our faith community has risen to the occasion time and time again through not only their giving but are becoming increasingly involved as an integral part of our system of care through direct services to families who have been struggling. Our provider agencies remain a key to our success in establishing positive outcomes for children in out of home care by decreasing their length of stay in foster care, benchmarking the number of children and youth adoptions to their forever families, driving academic success and moving graduation rates above the state average for foster children.

The number of partner agencies and institutions stepping up to the plate in collaborative agreement to continue our journey "up-stream" preventing families from getting involved in the formal child welfare system while mitigating risk and trauma by building natural supports and resiliency. Our legislature, in particular, our local delegates have been a critical part of necessary policy changes and additional funding necessary to raise the bar of success by allowing us to improve the salary base for Brevard's workforce working with Florida's most vulnerable children and their families.

I could go on humbly thanking so many members of our community for their love and support of our mission in cultivating a healthier and self-sustaining community driven by fellowship and compassion for those who truly need us. Last and certainly not least, I wish to recognize our Board of Directors who volunteer their time and energy strategizing our vision to not only being the "best place to work" but to be the "best driving force" positively impacting generations of families for all of Brevard county

#### Sincerely,

Phil Scarpelli President and CEO Brevard Family Partnership



### **Dear Friends**

First of all I would like to wish all of you a happy and healthy New Year. Once again the people of Brevard have stepped up to support our organization with their participation in our fundraising and child welfare endeavors. As we ring in 2023 with all the potential for continued success across our family of agencies.

I would like to take this moment to thank our wonderful community for all of the support you have given.

I would like to share some behind the scene successes from 2022:

Most memorable was the approval of an additional \$150 million to Florida's Community Based Care budget. This remarkable achievement was partially the result of the tireless efforts of the CEO Phil Scarpelli and his team to visit members of the Florida congressional delegation to explain why adjustments to frontline staff salaries is essential for retention and competition. With this salary increase the BFP leadership team has been able to recognize and retain the wonderful staff that have dedicated their lives to ensuring the continued well being of Brevard's children.

The Board of Directors has added some new members in 2022. We are committed to being an engaged and diverse group who strive to represent the people of Brevard County. The Board is optimistic for 2023. Our goal will be to support BFP and the family of agencies in their continued mission of protecting children and strengthening the lives of families in Brevard County

Thank-you again and Best Wishes for the New Year

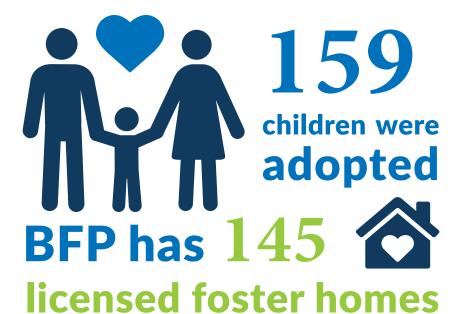
Sincerely, Ruth Long Board Chair

# **BFP IMPACT**

**Fiscal Year 2021-2022** 

Family of agencies served:

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**Ruth Long**Board Chair



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Phil Scarpelli CEO

The Brevard Family Partnership Board of Directors are all volunteers and give selflessly their time and resources to support and further develop our system of care, as well as carry the message of our mission throughout the community.



"We have been fostering for 4 years. Our first placement was a 4 month old, and a 2 year old and we fell in love with them. Over the course of a year and a half, we worked hard to keep the lines of communication open with their biological mom. Mom went off to rehab, came back and went to transitional housing, and we invited her to church. After that, she fell in love with Christ and her whole life changed."

- White Family



For the 2021-2022 fiscal year- Brevard Family Partnership and it's Family of Agencies received \$155,453 in donations for our Holiday gift drive to support over 1,200 children in the month of December.

## Largest donors this year:











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