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# Brevard Family Partnership

*A Community Based Care Agency*

## Board Report



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Phil Scarpelli, President and Chief Executive Officer

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- We have recently begun revamping our level of presence in the community, including attending more events as vendors with booths including in-person interactions, promotional materials and more. This also includes attending recognition and networking events. This past month, we attended three major networking opportunities with a select few members from all levels of our staff as well as some of our board members. These events included the United Way Campaign Kick-Off to “Ignite Change,” and the Brevard Hispanic Center’s Gala and Festival and the first inaugural Brevard Against Bullying event.
- Our golf tournament was a widely successful fundraiser, improving our goals from last year, increasing participation by approximately 20 golfers, and increasing our fundraising revenue by about \$10,000 after expenses compared to last year. It was a beautiful day filled with teamwork, healthy competition, and a great deal of networking opportunities.
- Hurricane Ian quickly changed many plans towards the end of last month, but we quickly gathered our Hurricane Communications and Action Team to follow our Disaster Plan and take the necessary steps for preparations. I am extremely proud of the case management and leadership teams at all of our agencies for ensuring timely and consistent contact with all of our families during this difficult time. Many staff members navigated power and internet loss but continued to keep working with any resources available to them. Our partners at DCF and the FCC also maintained constant contact with us to ensure the safety of all and that proper protocols were followed.
- I recently held a business luncheon with our Dependency Court Judge, Kelly McKibben to discuss current case efforts and case management progress. Judge McKibben was grateful for this time to update each other on current happenings from multiple avenues and the opportunity to address any requests.
- A few members of our C-Suite attended the Child Welfare National Symposium that was held in Kansas City, Missouri recently. It was a very informative and engaging conference, in which we were afforded the opportunity to represent Florida’s child welfare system and collaborate with child welfare leaders across the United States who are very interested in Florida’s privatization and other efforts. I personally was able to assist with facilitating some break-out sessions and workshops for a few of our counterparts across the state of Florida.
- We have been working with Truth Revealed International Ministries on a case that has adopted the Open Table model. This family is currently being housed through Bishop Clark’s temporary housing and has found a home for the future to continue improving their family’s quality of life and safety. I personally delivered a gift basket of hope to them for their efforts. This simple gesture and necessities were a blessing when they needed it most. These connections make all the difference when it comes to a family’s future success.
- Our friends at Palm Point Behavioral Health center invited me to tour their facilities and learn more about all that Palm Point has to offer including intensive in-patient and out-patient services to our families in need. This experience was a wonderful connection, and we hope to nurture partnerships such as these in the future to strengthen our community and provider relationships.
- Our new Volunteer Coordinator, Katelyn Stafford has shared with me and Cyndi Hernandez, her plans for revamping our current HUG Volunteer program that has been in a holding pattern since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. We are delighted to be restarting this program and look forward to the potential resources and assistance as well as community exposure that these efforts may bring.
- Upcoming Community Events
  - We are hard at work preparing for both our Holiday Gift Drive (gift collection taking place November 28 – December 11, 2022) and our Over The Edge event (December 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>).
  - Initial plans for our March Gala are being explored to include our past popular feature, the Lip Sync Battle!

Respectfully Submitted,

Phil Scarpelli, CEO