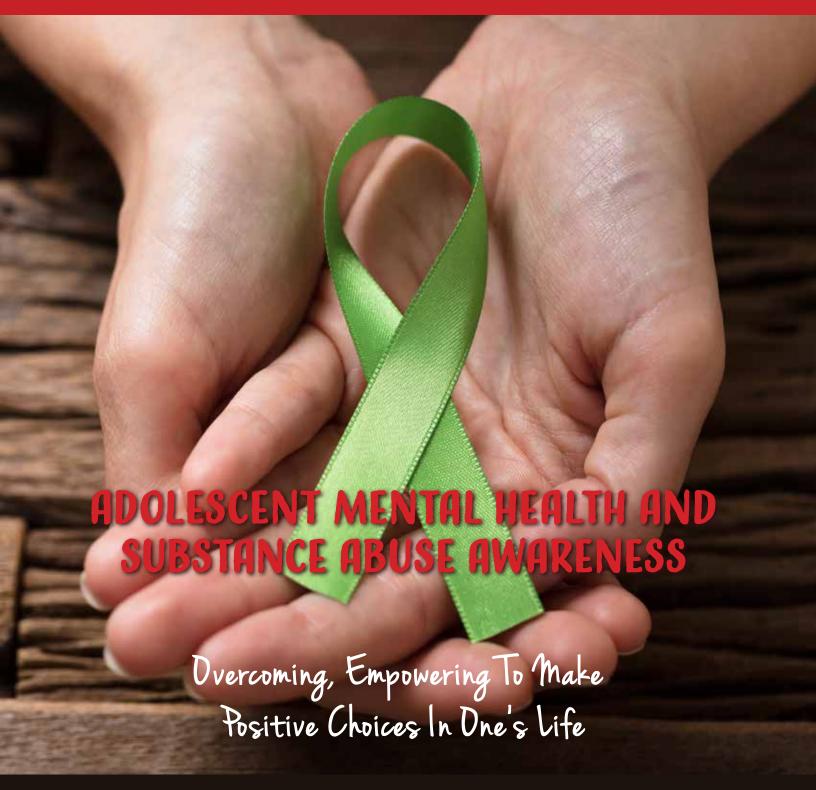
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WHAT IS FCCD?

The Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the promotion of high professional standards for criminal justice agencies and criminal justice personnel. The mission of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency is to foster interagency collaboration of all criminal justice entities, training, provide relevant and encourage community service through the State of Florida.



FCCD has 35 chapters throughout the state of Florida. Each chapter focuses on providing a multitude of community services in their surrounding counties, as well as offering relevant training opportunities to educate and enhance those involved in the criminal justice arena. FCCD is the flagship organization in the State of Florida for bringing the various criminal justice disciplines together to help recognize issues and develop strategies to solve our great state's Criminal Justice challenges. FCCD traces its history back to 1935 through an antecedent organization, the Florida Probation Association. The Council was chartered by Secretary of State in 1964 as a non-profit corporation dedicated to promoting high standards for criminal justice agencies and criminal justice personnel. Through the years, FCCD has continued to focus the attention of its members and the citizens of Florida upon the needs of the criminal justice system. The emphasis at the state and local level has been on a variety of challenges facing the state in the criminal justice arena. FCCD strives to improve criminal and juvenile justice systems by examining problems, proposing solutions, and monitoring and evaluating the impact of those solutions. FCCD assists criminal justice systems to function more productively by fostering interagency coordination and cooperation, developing and coordinating policy issues, rendering training and technical assistance, and by granting funds to support system improvements. Membership in FCCD is open to all criminal justice disciplines, as well as any concerned citizen who wishes to be a part of this great organization. Please take a moment to complete the included membership application or visit us online at myfccd.org and join through our online process.



A note from the President, Shelley Liddle

I am honored to serve as this year's Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency State President. As plans come together for the year, I am excited about the direction in which the organization is moving. We will continue to work together to strengthen our footprint by increasing membership, providing high-quality relevant training and providing meaningful community service throughout the State of Florida.

To better define our organization, during the first quarterly board meeting, our mission statement was updated to provide a better understanding of our core concepts; collaboration, training and community service. Our mission statement now reads: The mission of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency is to foster interagency collaboration of all criminal justice entities, provide relevant training, and encourage community service throughout the State of Florida.

This year's statewide community service project will address Adolescence Substance Abuse and Mental Health. During the first quarterly board meeting each chapter was challenged to create opportunities to develop professionally and personally through a host of community service projects. This aligns with our theme of "Overcoming, Empowering to Make Positive Choices in One's Life". When adolescences are besieged with emotional problems, they often turn to substance use to help them manage painful or difficult feelings. Not knowing how to deal with the problems, substance use is a way of "self-medicating" to alleviate unwanted mental health symptoms like hopelessness, anxiety, irritability and negative thoughts. If not dealt with, in the long term this often ends in abuse or dependence. Together we can bring awareness and help today's youth make positive choices in their lives.

Each year, chapters are challenged to increase our membership, and this year is no different. During the first quarterly board meeting, the 23 chapters represented were challenged to bring new members into our organization. Many of our Chapters have already partnered with other agencies and citizens within the community in an effort not only to increase our numbers, but to increase our resources and work together to achieve the goals of our great organization. As we discussed, our members are what sustain our organization and allows us to continue to provide community service assistance and support as well as the training opportunities that enhance our on-the-job skills as well as our personal growth and well-being.

Our second board meeting will be at the Sheraton Panama City Golf & Spa Resort, February 28-29, 2020. You are reminded that reservations must be made for our second quarterly board meeting if you plan on attending prior to February 1st. Don't wait until the last minute.

In closing, as we approach the Christmas holidays, I'd like to wish you the best throughout the holidays and the New Year. I am looking forward to a great and prosperous 2020.

Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency



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By Donna Wiebe, Chair Statewide Community Service Project

State President Shelley Liddle has chosen Adolescent Mental Health and Substance Abuse as her focus for this year's statewide community service project. As we do each year, we will partner with a program in the area of each board meeting and the annual training institute.

At the first quarterly board meeting at the Hilton Downtown St. Petersburg, we partnered with Operation PAR. Operation PAR provides effective treatment and services to those impacted by substance abuse and mental health. Leading in prevention, intervention and treatment of addiction and mental health services since 1970, PAR helps children, adults and their families to overcome their struggles with substance abuse and mental health. FCCD chapters and members collected hygiene items, clothing, baby products and toys and cash/gift cards totally approximately \$1,800.00 for Operation PAR. Supervisor of Children's Services, Claudia Decker, came to the meeting on November 2 and stated she was overwhelmed by the support of FCCD members.

At the February Board Meeting, we will be partnering with the Bay County School District, in Panama City, as they have the highest rate of juvenile Baker Acts in the state of Florida. The number of Baker Acted students since the 2019-2020 school year began, as already exceeded the total number for the 2018-2019 school year. FCCD will be assisting them in purchasing items for play therapy, which is utilized by school therapists to assist the children and adolescents deal with emotional and mental health issues. Specific information will be forthcoming.

Please review the attached article for more information on this problem in Bay County. https:// www. wjhg.com/content/news/ More-than-100students-Baker-Acted-since-August-officials-asking-for-help-564135151.html

As always, thanks for your support of FCCD and for your continued support of worthwhile causes within our community and state.

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COLLECTION OF SUPPLIES

Chapter 2

The Chapter Two Annual School Supplies drive this year included FCOR, FDC, FDJJ, and Department of Lottery. We were able to collect more supplies than ever before due to the inclusion of the Department of Lottery. A special thank you to George Edwards for giving Board Members a tour of the Department of Lottery and the positions that Law Enforcement has in their agency. Board members were given the opportunity to speak with the Secretary of the Department of Lottery. At the Secretary's request, Chapter Two in having a second School Supplies drive for the Spring Semester. The collections consisted of several hundred of items for the public-school districts in Chapter Two.





Uue to the disastrous effects that Hurricane Dorian left behind on the Island of Grand Bahama, Chapter Two decided to host donation boxes for people to donate items for the residents of the island, as they had no access to food, clean water, or shelter (the three necessities of life). We as a Chapter collected several thousand dollars' worth of items of all kinds for the island's

residents. Thank you to all those who participated in the collection, donation and transportation to help our geographical neighbor. The remaining donations that were not able to be loaded onto the transportation to the Bahamas will be routed to assist Hurricane Michael victims for long-term assistance and recovery, as some victims are still in tents.

SERVING THE VETERANS

Chapter 3

By T. Porter, FCCD Chapter 3 Secretary

FCCD Chapter Three partnered with the American Legion in Lake Placid, Florida on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 to serve United States Military Veterans a Thanksgiving meal. FCCD Chapter Three Members: R. Lombard with daughter, K. Lombard, and FCCD Member J. Delphin could be seen smiling and sharing stories as they provided the much-needed services to our local veterans. We were honored and proud to be a part of such an auspicious occasion.















BLOOD DRIVE

Chapter 3

By T. Porter, FCCD Chapter 3 Secretary

Chapter Three partnered with OneBlood to host a blood drive on Friday, November 15, 2019. This blood drive resulted in 17 procedures with 19 donors participating. Each procedure can save up to three lives so that means 51 patients could benefit from the lifesaving efforts of blood donors at Avon Park Corrections. The blood donated at this blood drive will

likely be transfused into a patient within 48 to 72 hours. The turnaround is that fast and is that constant. Our next blood drive is scheduled for January 10, 2019. Special thanks to R. Lombard for donating! Mr. Lombard is a reliable donor who hit his one gallon mark at this drive!





FCCD Chapter Three held a Food Drive during the first weeks of Novembers. FCCD members and the public alike were encouraged to bring in their non-perishables to assist the less fortunate. The drive resulted in 55 items being donated to the local Heartland Food Bank to help those in need during the upcoming Holiday Season.



GREAT START FOR A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Chapter 4

By Sherri Cole, Chapter 4 President



Our chapter started off the new FCCD year by giving a very large donation of clothing and housewares to the Florida Breast Cancer Foundation. To raise scholarship funds, our chapter sold jewelry at the FCCD conference. We donated tea bags and toiletries to the Miami VA Women Veterans Program, as part of the state board project to assist homeless female veterans. In honor of Domestic Violence Month, we donated eight boxes of food, a case of diapers, four bags of clothing and a box of toiletries to the AVDA women's shelter. We donated a box of diapers, baby wipes and infant clothing to Operation PAR in Pinellas Park, Florida which was a state board project. The program helps those impacted by substance abuse and mental health issues. In October some of our members participated in the Cruizin' for Crime Stoppers 10th Annual Motorcycle Ride Fundraiser.

The event raised a lot of money to pay for anonymous tips that help law enforcement solve crimes, find fugitives and help keep guns and drugs out of our public schools. Our November community service project is Project Magic School Bus. This is a toy drive and the toys are given to the social workers in the Broward County Public Schools to be distributed to children in need during the holidays. Several of our members raised money and participated in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Light the Night walk to fight cancers of the blood. We have many upcoming projects that will assist the community this year. I would like to thank all the volunteers and the people that donated goods for our projects. Your generosity does make a difference in the lives of others. Chapter 4 wishes you and your families a safe, happy and healthy holiday season.

CHAPTER 5 HOSTS BINGO FOR SENIORS IN LAKE BUTLER

October was a busy month in Chapter 5 with a training co-hosted in Chapter 15, delivery of donations for the victims of Hurricane Dorian, and a bowling tournament, but members still found time to spend with local Union County citizens. On October 9th, Chapter 5 shared information about FCCD with Seniors and then hosted Bingo for them. Past-President Michele Wilforth was there with Pat Honour, Dorothy Minta, Mary Taylor, and Cindy Little. Great work, ladies!



Pat, Mary and Cindy look on as Past-President Michele Willforth educates the crowd about FCCD.









Chapter 5 Partners with Chapter 15 to Help **Hurricane Dorian Victims**

During the months of September and October, Chapter 5 and Chapter 15 partnered to help gather supplies to provide relief to the victims of Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas. Accepting supplies from members and Region II Department of Corrections Institutions & Community Corrections, these two chapters were able to fill a shed with water, hygiene items, cleaning supplies, linens, food and medical supplies that were transported by a local church network to those in need. The generosity of our members is impressive.

FROM HUNGER TO HOPE

Chapter 6

By Janine C. Cannon, President



by hunger, one out of five children in Santa Rosa and Escambia Counties struggle with hunger. Many of the thousands of children in our area who receive free or reduced meals at school have no access to food on the weekends. A hungry child cannot learn and grow. Senior hunger is also prevalent in our area. Every month, thousands of senior citizens must choose between paying for utilities, medication or buying food.

In October, Chapter 6 partnered with Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Main Street Properties to support their 9th Annual Food Drive for Manna Food Pantries. Manna is a local non-profit organization fighting hunger in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. Manna's services are all offered free of charge and they provide groceries directly to individuals and families in need. Every month, Manna provides 26,414 meals for 938 families.

During the week of October 7-11, real estate agents and Chapter 6 members delivered grocery bags and fliers throughout neighborhoods in Santa Rosa and Escambia counties asking citizens to fill the bags with canned/dry food items. The donations were then picked up from the homes on Saturday, October 12th.

Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Main Street Properties had set a goal of collecting 12,000 pounds of food. Donations for this event filled four Manna trucks. A total of 12,431 pounds of food was collected which means 15,930 meals will be provided for those in need.

Thank you to everyone who hit the pavement getting the word out and to everyone who donated food or monetary donations to the Manna Food Drive! Your unwavering commitment to helping #GiveHope to hungry children, seniors and families in our community is greatly appreciated.

Are You a Member or a Name on a Chapter Roster?

By, Janine C. Cannon, Chapter 6 President

I joined FCCD in 1995 while employed as a Correctional Officer at Gulf Correctional Institution. Like many Department of Corrections employees before me, I signed up for payroll deduction for membership into FCCD without really knowing what I was signing up for. In the early years, I vaguely recall meetings and other events that were related to FCCD but that was about it. At best, I was just a non-descript name on the Chapter membership roster.

In 2010, while employed as a Correctional Officer Lieutenant at Santa Rosa Correctional Institution, I was asked if I wanted to attend the Annual Training Conference in Destin. I quickly decided that I would pay the extra cost of staying at the resort instead of being a daily attendee. I didn't know what to expect but I happily made the reservation and packed my bags. I'll be honest, I was more interested in the (continued on next page)

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mini-vacation that attending the conference would afford me.

With the history and ceremony of Opening Session, the recognition/procession of current Chapter Presidents and Past State Presidents, the opening of Vendor Hall, seeing Department staff that I had met over the years and meeting/networking with new ones, I was hooked the first night. The training and fellowship experiences in the days to follow sealed the deal.

Since that first training conference in 2010, I have attended/supported my own Chapter's Training and Community Service events, and have only missed one Annual Training Conference. In recent years, I have also been honored to serve on different conference committees and am currently serving as Chapter 6 President where I have the opportunity to attend the Quarterly Board Meetings as well.

A member is defined as a person who belongs to a social group or organization. I encourage each of us to take a look at where we stand as members of FCCD....I missed out on 15 years of opportunities to serve my community through FCCD.

Chapter 6 serves Walton, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa and Escambia Counties. Please visit our FCCD Chapter 6 Facebook page for training/event dates, announcements, relevant articles and words of encouragement.

Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency Membership Contest

25 New Memberships submitted between October 1st to February 1st equal one entry into drawing for a two night resort stay.

This drawing will be held during 2nd Quarterly Board Meeting.

Membership forms collected throughout the year, October 1st to May 29th, will be eligible for the Institute Membership Competition, same rules apply. The three drawings will consist of; a Full Conference Scholarship, a Registration & Banquet Ticket, and a Banquet Ticket.



Membership is what drives our organization! Help keep the train moving forward.

NEWS UPDATE

Chapter 7

By Latisha Howard, Chapter 7 President

November is a month known for Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day and now Chapter 7 month of giving to the community and volunteerisms. During the month of November, Chapter 7 participated in several community service projects and donated food, monetary donation and most importantly their time in their community. Chapter 7 participated in the following events:





On November 9, 2019, Chapter 7 President Latisha Howard was the guest speaker at the Sanford Westside Female Mentoring Fall Brunch. The purpose and title of the event was to

inspire teen girls to learn how to "Fall In Love With Myself". Chapter 7 was also a sponsor of the event by purchasing pearls for all the teen girls and young ladies in attendance.

On November 11, 2019, Chapter 7 participated in the Veteran's Day Ceremony at Orange County Corrections Department. Chapter 7 members had a great time assisting with decorations, volunteering at the event and most importantly supporting those who have served and continue to serve.



On November 13, 2019, Chapter 7 volunteered at the annual meeting of the Mental Health Association of Central Florida. The theme of this year's event was the State of Mental Health, which included the Art of Happiness Art Show. Chapter 7 was elated to have State President Shelley Liddle in attendance.

On November 14, 2019, Chapter 7 participated in a food drive in which non-perishable food items were donated to the Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida.





On November 16, 2019, Chapter 7 volunteered with the Corey Donaldson Foundation at their first annual mental health event "What's Going On?". The event included a panel discussing mental health awareness in the Sanford Community.

Please join us in congratulation Chapter 7 member, Seminole County Sheriff's Office Chief of Corrections, Dr. Laura Bedard, for recently being awarded the Public Service Award from the Women's Executive Council. The Women's **Executive Council of Orlando is an association of executive women committed** to the physical and cultural improvements of Central Florida. Dr. Bedard was selected as the Public Service Award winner for her career in the corrections field, education, and commitment to the community. Well done, Chief Bedard!



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South Florida Reception Center and Members of Chapter 8 Came Together to Provide Aid to the Bahamas After Taking a Huge Hit From Hurricane Dorian



BREAST CANCER EDUCATIONAL SESSION AND AWARENESS











Chapter 10 Lends a Hand DURING EHCO'S THANKSGIVING

"FEAST FOR FAMILIES"

By Justin Patterson, Chapter 10 President

When FCCD Chapter 10 community partner Extended Hands Community Outreach (E.H.C.O.) asked for help with their 18th Annual "Feast for Families" project, we were more than happy to offer our support. Volunteers were requested for assistance with packing Thanksgiving bags for over 200 families and individuals, distributing those items through the Choice Food Pantry they operate, collecting \$25.00 gift cards for families in

need and serving a large community dinner in the Pleasant City area.

On Saturday, November 23rd, Chapter 10 members Allenka Pierce and Teri Richardson joined E.H.C.O. volunteers from the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's office and members of Pentecostal Church of God in Christ to assemble the Thanksgiving bags. The bags included an assortment of non-perishable food items and a frozen turkey or chicken so that everyone would be able to prepare and enjoy a meal on the upcoming holiday. With such an abundance volunteers, E.H.C.O. was able to start on another project that day as well. Volunteers participated in gift-wrapping a large donation of toys and gifts for children in need that will be distributed at Christmastime.

On Monday, November 25th FCCD was back to assist with the distribution of the Thanksgiving bags



and \$25.00 gift cards previously donated so the families collecting the bags could have means to purchase any items they needed in addition to the food items. Chapter 10 was able to donate gift cards, and fortunately the distribution event lasted until 7PM that evening, so local members were able to stop by at the end of their workday to contribute some time until the event ended.

Finally, the E.H.C.O. "Feast for Families" project concluded with a dinner where everyone in the Pleasant City and surrounding communities were able to come and enjoy a free hot meal. The venue for this wonderful gathering was at the Pentecostal Church of God in Christ located on 540 Cheerful Street on Tuesday, November 26th from 11 AM – 2 PM. Since this was in the middle of the workday, FCCD Chapter 10 members Allenka Pierce, Jacqueline Cooper and Teri Richardson took their personal time to go and volunteer. They were joined by volunteer groups from local organizations such as WellCare, Palm Beach County Government offices, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and others to serve young and old that came out to enjoy a meal together. Families and individuals in the community described the "Feast for Families" project as a blessing and thanked everyone involved.

AWESOME JOB FCCD!!!



FIRST TRAINING EVENT ~ 2019-2020

Chapter 15

By Michele L. Willforth, Chapter 15 President

Tuesday, October 3, 2019 Chapter 15, in collaboration with Chapter 5 held the first training of the 2019-2020 year! This training was held at Suwannee Correctional Institution and provided a means to share the information of FCCD, revitalizing Chapter 15 and allowing attendees to receive relevant information as presented by Capital Insurance. Those in attendance of the Retirement Review Seminar were able to receive valuable, educational information regarding their participation in the Florida Retirement System as presented by Capital Insurance Representative, Mrs. Carol Starling.





Chapter 15 is Being Revitalized!

FCCD Chapter 15 is becoming an active Chapter once again! Chapter 15 has been dormant for quite some time, but that is changing! I am pleased and excited to announce that Chapter 15, which covers Suwannee, Levy, Lafayette, Gilchrist and Dixie counties has initiated momentum by beginning to establish a Chapter Board, recruited new memberships and has ignited renewed interest in long time members of the Chapter.

I want to acknowledge and personally thank Rodney Criswell, Racheal Hoffman and Ronald Shute for their motivation, enthusiasm and willingness to accept the positions of President-elect, Treasurer and Secretary respectively. A Chapter cannot be successful without the efforts of all of its members, no matter the amount of time, effort or contributions made by each individual. No matter how immense or what may feel insignificant to some, each individual and their efforts matter! It takes a TEAM effort and a village!

With time and effort, I know we will succeed and reach those who have been hesitant to join our mission or reluctant to be a part of a wonderful organization that supports our local communities; an organization that provides fundamental, effective trainings and exchanges of information, as well as provide a channel of amazing networking opportunities state wide!

As a Chapter, we may a few hurdles to overcome, but the most noteworthy attribute of Chapter 15 and its members is, "WE HAVE TAKEN THE FIRST STEP AND WE ARE PROGRESSING! TOGETHER, WE CAN DO ANYTHING!"

Thank you, Michele L. Willforth 2019-2020 Chapter 15 President Join us in welcoming these new Chapter 15 members to FCCD!!

Rodney Criswell
Virginia Alford
Sherry Rucker
Skyler Rodgers
Christine Rice
Michelle Spencer
Marshanna Henck
Deandra Caison
Darlene Morgan
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Michael Carlton
Ashley Russell
Sandra Stanton
Norman Silver
Jennifer Cox
Traci Osborn
Juanita Rodriguez
Chris Hessley
Racheal Hoffman
Ronald Shute
Takeesha Whitlock

Cody Daniel

(*List of new members as of October 30, 2019)

WHY BELONG TO FCCD

Chapter 18

Once, someone asked me why I belonged to FCCD. The question kind of stumped me. I could give the textbook answer of, great networking, great training events and of course community service. Then I started thinking about of those answers, what is most important to me and why. That answer would be community service or in another word's charity work.

The word 'charity' means generosity in giving something to the needy out of loving kindness towards them. A Charity is an organization that exists to enable one group of people to help another. It can sometimes be for animals or nature. Many of the best-known charities were set up by people who felt passionate about a situation that they believed was wrong

or preventable. That is a big part of what FCCD stands for; encouraging community service throughout our communities.

What I love most is that we as an organization made up of people who all have different and varying passions. We have the opportunity to help and support a multitude of charities that are important to our members. Therefore, helping people, this is why I belong to FCCD.



OPIATE EPIDEMIC

Chapter 20



he topic for the Annual Training for FCCD Chapter 20 and the Department of Corrections was the Opioid Epidemic that has plagued not only our community, but our nation. Sheriff Wayne Ivy of the Brevard County Sheriff's office was the Guest Speaker. Sheriff Ivy stated that the opioid epidemic has hit our community harder than the crack cocaine epidemic in previous years. Addiction does not discriminate and

is driven by greed. Recently the BCSO (Brevard County Sheriff Office) made a major drug bust detaining 100 drug dealers. They confiscated 3 pounds of fentanyl, enough to kill every citizen of Brevard County.

BCSO has a multi-prong approach for the ongoing drug dealings in Brevard County.

- 1. Education and awareness
 - a. Schools initiating a Kids Program
 - b. Educate doctors
- 2. Educate Law Enforcement 72% of those incarcerated have an opioid addiction
- 3. Aggressive Prosecutions
- 4. Doctors greed
- 5. Find a "silver bullet" for solutions
- 6. Help Veterans
- 7. Fixing Mental Health

Sadly, 172 people die each year from overdose in Brevard County. Let that sink in!

Barbie Thrower, FCCD CH. 20 Director of Space Coast Recovery



Proclamation 2019

On July 23, 2019, Supervisor Jaimie Moore presented to the Brevard County Commission in response to the Proclamation honored to Probation this day!

"Good Morning Commissioners, Thank You Commissioner Smith for sponsoring this resolution declaring July 21-27 Pretrial, Probation and Parole Week. I am honored that you recognize the tremendous efforts that our Brevard Probation Officers and staff of the Florida Department of Corrections put into maintaining supervision over nearly 5000 felony offenders here in Brevard County. These officers are working 24 hours a day, seven days a week to support the Florida Department of Correction's mission of creating a continuum of services to meet the needs of the offenders entrusted to our care. These officers staff and facilitate self-improvement programs such as Thinking for a change and moral recognition Therapy. Additionally, they seek out and refer offenders to treatment providers, host job fairs and coordinate GED classes. All while working to create safer communities by monitoring compliance with court orders and through partnering with other law enforcement agencies to conduct probation compliance initiatives.

Our hope is that the efforts put forth by these officers reduces victimization, creates safer communities and leads the offenders to a successful outcome of their cases and thereby accomplishing the Florida Department of Corrections vision of "inspiring success by transforming one life at a time".

I applaud the hardworking officers and staff of our 3 probation offices here in Brevard County and I am honored that the commission has publicly recognized their hard work and their dedication to the citizens of Brevard County and the State of Florida."

Thank You. C. Jaimie Moore Correctional Probation Supervisor Circuit 18 (181 Melbourne) Florida Department of Corrections

Distinguish Award Welcome Speech 2019

I would like to welcome everyone to the Florida Council Crime and Delinquency Chapter 20, 5th Annual Distinguished Award Luncheon and Training. In the house today is our guest speaker Sheriff Wayne Ivey, and BCSO staff, Department of Corrections (probation), 18th Circuit Court Officials and Judge Reinman, DJJ staff, and their management, RPD, WMPD, Space Coast Recovery Treatment and Steps Treatment Program.

FCCD is made up of a group of people who are involved in the Criminal Justice System and who are committed to participate in the CS Outreaches and Training's in their local chapters and throughout the State of Florida. We make a difference by volunteering our time, giving donations and putting on training's that relate to our profession.

For the past 5 years Chapter 20 has Co-hosted with the Department of Corrections in hosting app. 4 training's a year. This year Sheriff Ivey spoke on school safety, we had a representative talk to our staff about Florida Retirement, Omar came and spoke

on Verbal De-Esculation, and Dept. of Justice United States Attorney Office spoke on Courageous Conversations About Face-Turning Away from Hate.

We participated in several CS Outreaches such as sending care packages and books overseas to our military, donations to Hurricane Michael Relief, donations to Cocoa Woman's Shelters for Domestic Violence Month, donations to Breast Cancer from the selling of the bracelets, donations to several veterans at the nursing home to give them a special Christmas to share they are not forgotten, participation with Shop with Elves with WMPD, donations Juvenile Diabetes, and donations of 35 t-shirts for LE Special Olympics Torch Run to the Special Needs Olympians and put a smile on

their faces!

I would like to take this time to thank several people who help make Chapter 20 run very smoothly with their support: A lot is behind the scenes; Our Volunteers, Maryann Asbury, Nichola Ogunlari, Lydia Bessent, Denise Hall, Gayle Gordan, Darrell Costellic, Lisa Farr, Barbie Thrower, George Harrison, Jaime Moore, Laurie Wieser, Gloria Edwards and Natasha Grimes, Juvenile Justice, Our Training Speakers, Circuit 18 Probation: Office Managers and our Circuit Administrator Rachel Richardson.

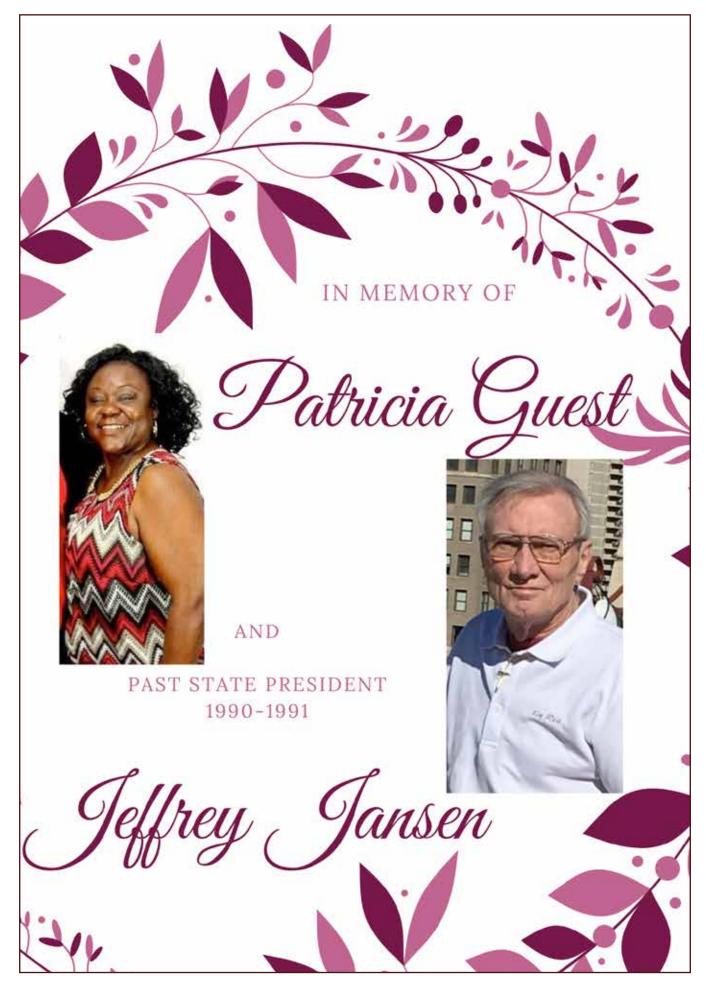
In closing, Chapter 20 Board would like to say "thank you" for everyone's kindness and commitment for 2019. Your participation in time, donations and support made Chapter 20 shine in the community in CS and Training.

Donna Martin Bolton, President August 21, 2019



Local Distinguished Awards 2019 Criminal Justice: Alice Deakins, RPD Corrections: Lydia Bessent, FDC Law Enforcement: Justin Crooks, WMPD * State Award Judicial: Morgan Laur Reinman, Circuit 18 * State Award *Juvenile: Beth Cantrell, DJJ* Re-Entry: Jeanette Murdock, Steps Volunteers: Chris Day, Mgr. Olive Garden * Debbie Harris Bagel 13 Louie Wainwright: Donna Weibe, Retired Federal Probation * State Award









Chapter 20 **Breast Cancer Walk 2019**

On Saturday, October 26, 2019, at least a thousand walkers gathered together to walk a 5k for a Breast Cancer Event is the Avenues in Viera. It's a special time to walk for Survivors, or in Memory of a loved on. I started walking several years ago when my sister-in-law passed away from the start of breast cancer. I have walked in her Memory each year since, and for friends who lost their parents to breast cancer; Rachel and Maria. When I went to my 40th High School Class Reunion, I found out my classmate was a Survivor, so now I add Christa to my list!

I would like to thank FCCD Members, FDC co-workers and Friends for walking and for those purchasing black and pink bracelets for Breast Cancer Month. So many people purchased the bracelets! FCCD be donating 20 percent of the proceeds for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Come join us next year in the walk!

Thanks again. **Donna Martin Bolton** Past President, Chapter 20

PARTNERING WITH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Chapter 30

Chapter 30 recently partnered with the Hernando County Sheriff's Office, the DEA, The Hernando County Community Anti-Drug Coalition, and Walmart with the nationwide drug take back program. The event took place at a Walmart Neighborhood Market on October 26th. Members were proud to team up with community partners to further the efforts of this year's community service project, by helping to make a difference in Hernando County.

Chapter members cooked hotdogs and helped give out anti-drug literature to families that attended the event. The drug take back helped remove 171 pounds of prescription drugs that had turned in for destruction. The event was a huge success.

Chapter 30 also held our second annual charity bowling event on November 2nd. The event was held at the Strike City Bowling Alley in Spring Hill. This year's proceeds went to benefit the family of the late Sergeant Lou Genovese of the Hernando County Sheriff's Office, who passed away unexpectedly. We also raised money to support Retired Lieutenant Jimmy Johnston.

The event brought in bowlers from across the area. Community businesses and leaders sponsored bowling lanes. The Hernando County Community Anti-Drug Coalition set up a display for the child that attended. The local YMCA also had a display and fun give aways for those in attendance. Our DJ kept the party going while kids had their faces painted.

Through the generosity of everyone involved, we were able to raise \$6700.

HELPING THOSE IN NEED

Chapter 31

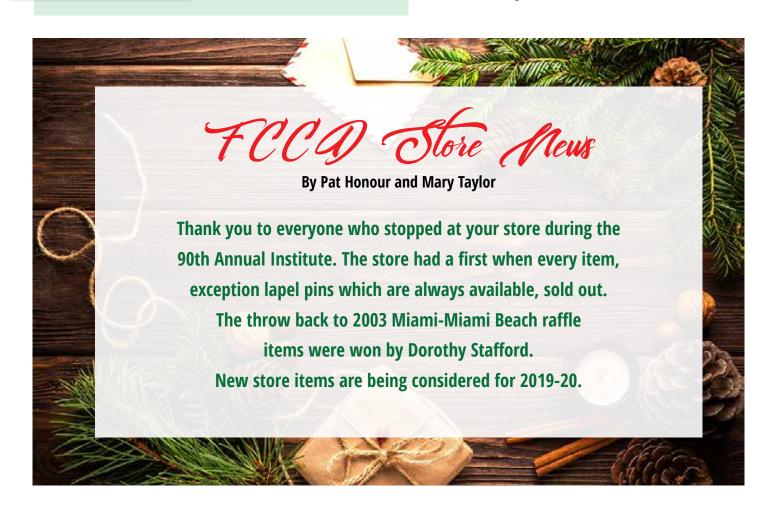
On November 4, 2019 FCCD Chapter 31 kicked off their Thanksgiving Food Drive with the slogan "Show Thankfulness by feeding those in need."



The canned food drive was a big success, but in FCCD Chapter 31 fashion, it wasn't over the top. We held a fall gift basket raffle (made by Chapter 2) that raised \$300 to donate Turkey's & Ham's to accompany the Thanksgiving Food Drive. These donations went directly into our local community.



On November 11, 2019 FCCD Chapter 31 board members, President Mary Maiocco, Vice-President Aaron Dougherty and Treasurer Beverly Jeffries attended the Florida National Cemetery Veteran's Day Event in Bushnell, Florida. They attended to support the Florida Department of Corrections, Sumter CI Honor Guard Team as well as the South Sumter High School Band.



FOOD DRIVE TO HELP OTHERS

Chapter 34



Chapter 34 has been quite busy the first quarter! Our most recent endeavor was a Food Drive to help the indigent citizens of Hardee County have a great thanksgiving. The members of Chapter 34 were able to collect enough donations to give five full families a proper Thanksgiving meal through the Hardee Help Center! Chapter 34 also conducted several fundraisers including two that directly went to Chapter 34 members who passed away.

Ofc. Grimes and plumbing supervisor Wright families both received 800.00 to help offset some



funeral costs. Chapter 34 is looking forward to some great things coming and can't wait to share in our next article.



OFF TO A GREAT START

Chapter 35

Chapter 35 is off to a great start. We held our first meeting and elected officers which include, President: Angie Segree, Vice President, Donnie Segree, Treasurer, Milissa Varnes and Secretary, Jackie Smith.

We started the year with assisting the Franklin County Sheriff's Office with their annual School Supply Drive and raised \$200 towards their efforts. We participated in Franklin County's Annual Coastal Clean Up and participated in

the State Board's Community Service Project in St. Petersburg with Operation PAR.

We are looking forward to bringing the new mission of FCCD to light. Collaboration, Training & Community Service. We are excited to introduce FCCD to members of the criminal justice field in Franklin County and seeing how we can assist with their training and other community service needs.



Karen Colón

Dear Fellow FCCD Members,

Many of you may know me, but for those of you who do not, my name is Karen Colón, and I would love to share briefly with you, my passion, as well as my love for the FCCD, our commitments and contributions, and the family we have made here together.

A handful of Past Presidents and members often ask the question, "Why would you want to go back on the State Board and do 4 years all over again?", they follow the question with the mention of the stress that comes with the tremendous responsibility of planning, organizing, and executing the Annual Training Institute, as well as the three Preceding Board Meetings; to also include the hours of dedicated commitment, travel, and the circumstances that surround all of these

objectives and responsibilities. However, I often ask myself, "Why doesn't anyone ask what fuels me to continue to be an active member and why I would wish to re-join the State Board of Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency?", so let me answer that for you all now.

The Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency brings me joy, pride, feelings of accomplishment, overwhelming feelings of love, acceptance, and long-lasting bonds that have been created, as well as cherished over the years. I find fulfillment in the activities, trainings, charities, as well as fundraisers we do continuously throughout the years as well; especially knowing that we, together as an organization, make a large impacting difference. Although to us, it may seem like a small impact, however, for the individuals who reap the benefits of what we begin to sew, most would tell you that in most casesit changes their lives, or at the very least makes a miraculous difference. I would be grateful, and delightfully honored to be considered to "Lead the Parade!", once again and to help take initiative to fuel happiness, pride, and fulfilment into others as well as advocate for others to join our amazing organization in becoming a part of a life changing, positivity spreading, statewide family.

In mention of the long-lasting bonds we have formed together, I

would like to take a moment to Honor Jeffrey Layne Jansen. As I heard, and read of his passing it brought me back down a lane I often love to travel: Memory Lane. I met Jeff for the first time at the FCCD Annual Training Institute pool tournament. With the "Luck of the Draw", (quite literally), Jeff and I were paired up to team together. Well, as luck would have it, we went on to place for a trophy that year, and along with winning that trophy we both won a friend. I will forever cherish my friendship with Jeff, the friendship in which I would not have had the honor to have if it wasn't for this beautiful organization. That holds true for many others that are a part of this organization such as Maria DiBernardo, or Jim King just to mention a few. I cherish every bond, every friendship, and every encounter I've made during my time here with the Florida Council on Crime and Delinguency because over the years you all have truly left a mark on my heart, just as Jeffrey Jansen did, may he Rest in Peace.

As stated before, I would be grateful for the opportunity, as well as be honored to "Lead the Parade!" once again, making differences and lasting impacts with all of you by my side.

It would mean more to me than words can describe if you would take the time and consider me to be your next Secretary for the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency.

With Love and Great Pleasure, Karen Colón



Laura E. Bedard

Laura E. Bedard, Ph.D. began her work in corrections as a jail administrator in 1984. She served on the administrative faculty for the College of Criminology at Florida State University for 17 years. During her tenure at the University, she ran a study abroad program in the Czech Republic lecturing on crime topics in an emerging democracy.

In 2005, she became the first female Deputy Secretary of the Florida Department of Corrections. There she was responsible for 27,000 state employees and over 200,000 offenders in the third largest correctional system in the country.

She has managed state and federal facilities serving as Warden at six facilities in Florida, Texas and Ohio.

Dr. Bedard has published and lectured worldwide on a number of corrections-related topics including women in prison, mental health issues and correctional leadership. Dr. Bedard is currently serving as the Chief of Corrections for the Seminole County Sheriff's Office in Sanford, Florida. She has been married to her husband Roy for 26 years and they have two fabulous grown children.



Hope J. Simpson

Hope J. Simpson is an employee for Orange County Corrections Department. She has an extensive professional background in the Criminal Justice profession to include the Florida Department of Corrections and the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. During her career, she has worked in varying positions to include, three years as a Certified Law Enforcement Officer.

Ms. Simpson's current job responsibilities include assisting inmates assigned to the Orange County Work Release Center to successfully transition back to the community. Her responsibilities also include supervising three interns, coordinating various programs facilitated at the center and working with the Drug Court Judge and a team of other professionals with offenders in the Drug Court Program.

Ms. Simpson has a Master of Arts Degree in Professional Counseling and Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminology. She is a Florida Department of Law Enforcement Certified Instructor, certified DUI instructor from 2017-2018, she is a licensed Mental Health Therapist. In 2017 she completed leadership classes at Valencia **College and Orange County Corrections** Department.

She has been a member of FCCD for several years and serves on the board as Secretary for Chapter 7. She is a member of the FCCD vendor team and has been instrumental in bringing in critical funding for the Annual Training Institute. In 2017 she was the recipient of the President's Award for FCCD. She was the Charter Vice President of Membership for **Orange County Corrections Club Orange** Toastmasters. She is also a board member and vendor chairperson for the Florida Association of Community Corrections.

In addition, Ms. Simpson is the CEO of Capsule of Hope, providing mental health counseling and life coaching to the clients she serves. She is an Ordained Minister and thrives in mentoring, inspiring, counseling and coaching those in her local church and community.

Tim Strickland

I have been a Silver Member of FCCD since I started with the Florida Department of Corrections in 1995. Over the past 23 years with FCCD I have been a member of both small and large chapters in small towns and metropolitan areas. My introduction to FCCD started as a Correctional Officer at Hamilton Correctional Institution in Jasper. My path through the Department also lead to service in many FCCD Chapters. I went from a Corrections Officer at Hamilton CI to a Classification Officer at Madison CI. Then out to Community Corrections as a Probation Officer to Live Oak P&P and a Sr. Probation Officer at Lake City P&P. I then promoted to a Supervisor at Quincy P&P then a Sr. Supervisor at Deland and St. Augustine P&P. I went to Tampa Circuit Office as a Deputy Circuit Administrator, then Riverview & Tampa Central P&P Offices, finally on to my current post in Central Office as the Assistant Bureau Chief over the Bureau of Interstate Compact. I am also a CJSTC certified instructor as a general, firearms, and defensive tactics instructor. I am also a range master with the Department and an adjunct instructor at the Florida Public Safety Institute in Midway.

In my career with the Department I have developed organization and leadership skills that I have used to further the mission of FCCD. I have worked in front line positions both inside and outside the fence. I was the Sr. Supervisor of what at the time was the

largest probation office in the state. I helped develop new processes in Community Corrections that provided Probation Officers more time to supervise offenders instead of doing paperwork. In my current position as the Assistant Bureau Chief over Interstate Compact I have developed processes that has placed Florida in a leading position within the Compact. I work with and have provided training on the Compact to every state in the nation as well as throughout Florida to not only the Department of Corrections but to other agencies as well.

In my last 23 years of FCCD service I have supported numerous community service projects throughout the state. In 2011 at the 82nd Annual Training Institute I began working with the State Board assisting with the AV equipment. I continued providing service to the State Board by chairing the AV equipment committee since 2012 ensuring that trainers at our annual institute have their needs met. I have been the Web Master for the State Board and served on numerous committees. I have been the Chapter President of Chapter 1 and Chapter 2. In 2015 I was honored to receive the Distinguished Service Award in Corrections.

While my career with the Department and service in FCCD has and remains a great joy to me, I am also active in our community. As a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints I have



served as a youth leader on multiple occasions over the years throughout the state and I served as the ecclesiastical leader of the Live Oak Ward in 2004 before moving to Tallahassee. In addition to service within Church I am active in the Boy Scouts of America. I currently serve as an assistant scout master for our troop, the Training Chair for the Suwannee River Area Council and I serve as a firearms safety instructor at Wallwood Boy Scout Reserve.

The bottom line is that I love FCCD. If I did not I would not have stayed a member for over 2 decades. For over 20 years I have worked in many hours of community service and worked to provide first class training to members to assist in their professional development and the meaningful exchange of ideas. My personal priorities are faith, family, friends and community. I am selective on where I give my time and effort. For 23 years I have loved and given of myself to FCCD. The members of this organization are both friends and family to me. I hope that I can continue to serve FCCD as your State Secretary.

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