

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.