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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Greetings Everyone,**



I hope this message finds you and yours well, happy and healthy. FCCD has been having an exciting and productive year. On February 26th and

27th, we held our Second Quarterly Board Meeting in Orlando. We were very fortunate to have Orange County Sheriff, Jerry Demings, present training on Critical Issues Facing Law Enforcement and Our Communities. His presentation was well-attended, well-received, and greatly appreciated. At that meeting, we also debuted our new sound system and handed out business cards to members. Statewide, our chapters now have 'Save the Date' cards, brochures, and business cards. I hope everyone finds opportunities to use them to promote FCCD. Chapter Reports submitted to date show that our members have completed 162 community service projects and provided 41 trainings. This puts us well on our way to reaching the goals we set for ourselves this year. I am impressed and inspired by the number and quality of FCCD's many accomplishments. Way to go members!

This issue of The Councilor includes important information on voting procedures for our next State Board Secretary. It is important that everyone participates. Your vote counts! This issue also contains articles from some of Florida's criminal justice agencies. I hope you will enjoy reading them and catching up on the many projects around the state.

Our 2016 Annual Training Institute is just around the corner. Committees are working hard to make it an informative and enjoyable experience. This year's theme is

**"LEADERSHIP: Honoring the Past, Treasuring the Present, and Shaping the Future.** With this theme in mind, the training topics are being selected to meet the specific training needs of our members. We have included the best possible career development opportunities, useful skill-building workshops, and the latest research in criminal justice. Don't forget to stop by the vendors' area between training sessions to discover some of the industry's newest products and services. And, I hope everyone will make sure to check out the silent auction-- all proceeds will be donated to PACE and Living Stones.

From the start of this year, we dared to dream big and set ambitious goals. Now, we have several significant accomplishments and two successful quarterly board meetings behind us. Dr. Martin Luther King once said, "Everything that is done in this world is done by hope." I hope we will continue on the path we have set for ourselves. I believe all our dreams can come true if we work together to pursue them. On behalf of myself and the Executive Board, we are looking forward to the Training Institute, and sincerely hope to see you there; all well, happy and healthy.

**Gina Giacomo**

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### Why Join FCCD?

If you are interested in furthering your career, joining FCCD is a good start. It is a professional organization where you have the opportunity to meet and network with other professionals who have mutual interests. The effect of a group of people is greater than just one person. Creating professional relationships is important, and joining FCCD allows you to network with other professionals away from work. You can "talk shop" if you want but more importantly you get to know people in a more casual way. From this, you are able to support and help one another to achieve professional goals. You can share ideas and ask for advice. You may find a mentor to help you or you may be in a position to mentor someone else.

FCCD also provides you the opportunity to work on various committees. At the local and state level you can get involved in making a difference in your community! FCCD is

a big advocate for Community Service. The list of projects we have completed is long and getting longer. You can't measure the benefits of giving and serving others selflessly! Additionally, at the annual conference you can participate and learn about new innovations in your profession, "best practices" and new ideas.

In summary, a person must have a genuine interest in becoming a member. Becoming a member will enhance his/her professional network, broaden his/her knowledge on the latest trends in his/her profession and allow him/her to achieve something positive in the community by giving and serving others. We hope the above will be helpful to you as you consider whether to join FCCD. To paraphrase from one of our greatest presidents. "Ask Not What FCCD Can Do For You, But What You Can Do For FCCD!" We need you!

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## Chapter 1 News

### Chapter 1 Continues to Serve the Community

by Cathy Aylstock, President

On March 19, 2016, Chapter 1 was one of the proud sponsors at the 4th Annual Family Salsa Fest, the signature fundraiser for the Good Samaritan Mission located in Wimauma. The Mission offers education, social services, gratitude programs, and various special events for families in the Wimauma area who primarily work on the local produce farms. The festival included

family activities, local food, and arts & crafts vendors. The rain did not deter the community from coming out and supporting the Mission. Chapter 1 volunteered at the festival and entered the Salsa Tasting Competition with member Ardena Bosley's original recipe, "Mango Habanera Salsa." We placed 2nd in the Amateur Division!



Helen Williams-Lester, Cathy Aylstock, Ardena Bosley

## Chapter 2 News

### Chapter 2 "Meme's Purses with a Purpose"

Everything that's done through the scope of FCCD is a wonderful thing. However, once every so often, FCCD has the chance to make a real and lasting difference in the lives of people living in the FCCD chapters' respective communities. This year brought several of these opportunities.

One opportunity in particular was the effort of all Chapter 2 members, namely Debbie Sue Fleck, in

establishing "Meme's Purses with a Purpose." This campaign focused on domestic violence survivors and homeless shelter residents. The body of this effort consisted of donations of purses and toiletry products. Toiletries were placed in the purses and given to women in need. This remains an ongoing effort. To date, it has aided countless women in our community.



Lindsay Hopper, Refuge House  
Debbie Sue Fleck, Chapter 2 member



## Chapter 2 Collaborates with Lions Club International to Collect Eyeglasses

Lions Club International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.4 million members in approximately 46,000 clubs in greater than 200 countries and geographical areas around the world. The Tallahassee Lions Club meets every Thursday from 11:30 AM to 1:15 PM. They are a vital part of the community's effort to continue the long-cherished tradition of community service.

As a part of this effort, the Tallahassee Lions Club receives donations in the form of old and gently used eyeglasses



to recycle and redistribute throughout this and other communities. FCCD Chapter 2 saw this as a wonderful opportunity to partner with a great cause. In doing so, Chapter 2 collected and donated many pairs of gently used eyeglasses for the cause.

Left Chapter 2 member Tyler Ferguson  
Right Lions Club and FCCD Lifetime member Howard Young

## Chapter 4 News

### Chapter 4 Institute is a Great Ending for Busy Charitable Season

By Jill Holness, Chapter 4 President

Chapter 4 members had a busy charitable winter season... The Light the Night Walk for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society was a success, in spite of very rainy weather, and we were able to raise a lot of money for this great cause. Some of our members were even honored with an invitation to the organization's awards ceremony again this year. We collected greeting cards for the children at St. Jude's Ranch. The children remake the cards and sell them in their thrift store, keeping the proceeds from the sales. We also held a food, clothing and housewares drive for AVDA (Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse) women's shelter, who is very appreciative of our ongoing support, and continue to collect bottle caps for Caps of Love. Revenue generated by collected bottle caps is used to purchase wheelchairs for children in need. We also collect box tops throughout the year for Box Tops

for Education to benefit the Masters Academy youth program. We are continuing to collect manufacturer coupons for our military personnel at the Guam military base. Military families use collected coupons to offset the cost of items in the base commissary. We also had a very large turnout this year for Wreaths Across America, helping to place over 11,000 holiday wreaths at the headstones of deceased military personnel. Community service hours were granted to the children who came out to assist us with this meaningful event, and was a great learning experience for them.

Additionally, we provided refreshments at an Active Shooter training event for our officers and also helped sponsor the Re-Entry HBI (Home Builders Institute) graduation ceremony. Offenders learn skills to help them find employment in construction trades. At our last state board meeting, our

chapter donated toys for children whose parents are in the Bridges Across America treatment program. Our chapter donates newspapers monthly to Faith Farm Ministries, which uses the newspapers in their thrift store to help save money on packing supplies. Faith Farm Ministries provides free substance abuse treatment to those in need and pays for it through proceeds from their store. There was a large turnout of volunteers this year for the Cruizin' for Crime Stoppers motorcycle run. Over 700 motorcycle drivers and their passengers came out to support



Members and their families participating in Wreaths Across America event.

Palm Beach County Crime Stoppers. Money raised by this event is used to pay for anonymous tips that help law enforcement officials solve crimes. Our Pot of Gold drawing was profitable and the lucky winner was Beth Purdie, who is the fraud investigator for Regions Bank. She generously donated \$100 of her winnings back to our chapter. Our chapter, in conjunction with Chapters 8 and 15, assisted the Department of Corrections with a talent show to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. There was some great talent and a good time was had by all. Thank you again Beth!

We are continuously planning training and fundraising events for Chapter 4. In order to view our newsletters and upcoming events, please follow us on our FCCD Chapter IV Facebook page. We look forward to input from members about future training events they would like us to sponsor, or charitable causes that need our assistance. The more projects that we are involved in generates increased awareness in the community about FCCD's mission.

Chapter 4 is looking forward to a great conference at the 87th Annual Criminal Justice Training Institute at

the Hilton Daytona Beach Oceanfront Resort. Please come out and join us for networking, great training and relaxation on the beach. We have very stressful jobs and sometimes a little rest and relaxation is just what the doctor ordered!



Beth Purdie and Sherri Cole at Cruizin' for Crime Stoppers event.

## Chapter 5 News

### Chapter 5 F.C.C.D. Store

"Your" FCCD store was busy at the 2nd Quarterly Board Meeting in February with many items for members.

There were a few new items to purchase for the up-coming holidays. Mrs. Pat Honour decorated the cutest gift bags to keep or share for St. Patrick's Day and

Easter. Also available to benefit the store were large, beautiful Easter bags with a plush animal and candy.

Thanks to everyone who stopped by.

New items will be available at the Annual Institute.

## Chapter 7 News

### Chapter 7 FCCD Steps Up for He Got Up

By Markeda Clayton, Chapter 7 President

On March 27, Easter Sunday, the Orlando Serve Foundation presented He Got Up—a day of celebration and service for the homeless, as well as families and individuals, in need. The event featured a resource fair for job and career resources, public and private assistance programs, educational institutions and a variety of other sources of aid for those in need. It also included stadium concession stands that provided free food and drinks for all attending. The event was held at the Citrus Bowl. It's estimated several thousand people attended.

The nicest part about the whole day is that the community made it possible through volunteering and donations. Florida Council and Crime on Delinquency (FCCD) Chapter 7 members were proud to play a significant role in making the day possible. FCCD members gave up part of their Easter Sunday to help those less fortunate, and the FCCD team helped with grilling and at the concession stands.

Chief of Orange County Corrections Cornita A. Riley applauded FCCD for its part in the event. She stated, "He Got Up was an amazing demonstration of love, caring and

unselfish giving in action, and the fact that so many FCCD members came out and volunteered speaks well for the organization. It's gratifying to see the group giving back to the community."





"FCCD Chapter 07 members and their families participating in the He Got Up event on Easter Sunday."



# Chapter 8 News

## Chapter 8 Projects & Events

By Tammy Marcus

Chapter 8 in Miami has been busy with many projects this quarter. In December, the Chapter filled Christmas boxes with school supplies, small toys and personal items which were sent to needy children all over the world. Special thanks to Dawn DiNatale for getting us involved in this wonderful community service project!



FCCD Christmas Boxes

On December 12, 2015, Chapter 8 members teamed up with Chapter 4 FCCD members and participated in the Nationwide Wreaths Across America event. The volunteers placed thousands of wreaths on the graves of fallen service men and women laid to rest at the South Florida National Cemetery in Lake Worth, Florida.



Wreaths Across America

Chapter 8 partnered up with Chapter 4 in collecting plastic bottle caps for the Caps of Love ongoing community service project. These caps get recycled so wheelchairs and prosthetic limbs can be purchased for handicapped kids and military personnel who lost limbs while serving their county. Thousands of caps have been collected for this amazing project. A special thanks to Sherri Cole for introducing us to this amazing organization and community service project.

Finally, Chapter 8 teamed up with Chapters 10 and 4 to put on a talent show to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). The show consisted of singing, dancing, and a beautiful



Caps for Love

poetry reading dedicated to our military. The chapters collectively raised nearly \$600 for LLS, and they had a great time doing it. A special thank you to Rose Witkowski for getting the Elks Lodge in Delray Beach to provide the location for the event, as well as the Elks members for preparing the delicious dinner that was served prior to the amazing show.



Leukemia & Lymphoma Society: Tammy Marcus (Chapter 8), Justin Patterson (Chapter 10), and Jill Holness (Chapter 4)



Wreaths across America: Sherri Cole, Marny Lewis, Tammy Marcus, Robin Frutig, Janet Worsham, Dawn DiNatale, Manny Vega and Maria DiBernardo



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# Chapter 9 News

## Chapter 9 Wolfson Children's Hospital

### Valentine's Day Community Project

Chapter 9 collected Valentine's Day art supplies for the children at Wolfson Children's Hospital in Jacksonville. FCCD members collected a generous amount of donations including construction paper, stickers, hearts, doilies, markers, glue and scissors. The children used the supplies to create Valentine's Day Cards for their families and friends.

Wolfson Children's Hospital is the only hospital

for children in the region, and serves North Florida, South Georgia and beyond. They accept all children, regardless of their families' ability to pay for medical care. Wolfson Children's Hospital is consistently ranked among the nation's best children's hospitals. Together, with donations like ours, they can continue their not-for-profit mission and provide outstanding care to every child in need of medical treatment.

# Chapter 10 News

## Chapter 10 An Evening of Fun & Laughter with Chapters 10, 8, & 4

by Justine Patterson, Chapter 10 President

On April 08, 2016, Chapters 10, 8, and 4, along with Region IV's Office of Community Corrections, co-sponsored a fun evening showcasing FDC singing and dancing talent to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. A wonderful dinner was served. There was

laughter and fellowship, as well as terrific door prizes. Tammy Marcus was a great Mistress of Ceremony. After all was said and done, we were able to present a check in the amount of \$533.00 to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.



## Chapter 10 Sponsors a Retirement Planning Workshop for FRS Plan Members

by Justine Patterson, Chapter 10 President

Chapter 10 recently sponsored an educational retirement workshop to help FRS Plan members plan for a secure financial future. Jim King and Darryl Kingman of Database Financial Services, Inc. were the facilitators. Attendance was excellent and the room was overflowing with people seeking useful information to help them prepare for retirement.



Jim King



Jim King, Rosalyn Baker, Darryl Kingman



Retirement Workshop Attendees



Retirement Workshop Attendees

# Chapter 18 News

## Chapter 18 Community Service

By Kelly Cotton, Chapter 18, President-Elect

Chapter 18 has continued with our commitment to serving our community. Our most successful and most rewarding projects include the Special Olympics of Florida Polar Plunge at Aquatica Sea World and our Easter basket drive.

On February 13th, several Chapter 18 members participated in the Special Olympics of Florida Polar Plunge at Aquatica. Our team raised over \$2,000 and gained the privilege of plunging into the arctic waters

to support this great cause. Our chapter members are huge supporters of Special Olympics and we are always excited for any opportunity to show our support.

In March, our chapter collected donations and composed 80 Easter baskets. The Easter baskets were donated to the Domestic Violence Shelter and to Interfaith Emergency Services in Ocala. We were delighted to see our numbers increase dramatically from last year's 42 baskets.



Donated Easter baskets



Shannon Johnson, Rebecca Suppes and Rachelle Innis with Easter baskets



Rebecca Suppes, Interfaith Representative, Shannon Johnson, Kori Seiler-McClellan with Easter baskets



Kieth Milford, Kori Seiler-McClellan, Angela Gordon, Shannon Johnson, Clydette Kearney, Gabrielle Parrea, Alana Sumner and Tish Eldson at Polar Plunge event

# Chapter 20 News

## Chapter 20 Brevard County Sheriff's 3rd Annual Re-Entry Community Network Conference

by Donna Martin Bolton

On January 13, 2016, the Brevard County Sheriff's Office (Brevard County Inmate Programs), FCCD and the Brevard County Re-Entry Task Force hosted a training conference on the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program. Presenters were Leigh-Ann Cuddy and Sgt. Stacey Baseggio, both of Osceola County, and Pastor Jarvis Wash of the REAL Church and My Community Cares. There was also a testimony from a Narcotics Anonymous member. The conference ended with a Regional Re-Entry Taskforce meeting which included Central Florida's surrounding counties.



Officers at Re-Entry job fair.

This training reinforced connecting the dots between incarceration, educational programs, skills training, and chaplain services to community agencies, including probation, law enforcement and others, all working together. Approximately 110 people were in attendance. Several people traveled throughout Central Florida to attend this training. It was a great training, and an opportunity to meet other people from other areas with the same goal: Re-Entry!

We would like to thank FCCD members, FDC employees, LouAnn Creasy, Corporal Somers, and Isa Kennedy for all of their support. Thanks to vendors Lazy Bean Coffee & Deli in Cocoa Village, Bagel World Café in Rockledge, Entenmann's in Rockledge and Wal-Mart in Cocoa for hosting a delicious breakfast.

## Chapter 20 Leadership & Diversity Training

by Natasha Grimes

On February 22, 2016, the Cocoa Probation and Parole Office was the host of the Black History Celebration: Leadership and Diversity Training. FCCD Chapter 20 was a sponsor of this event. Forty five people attended, including all four Community Corrections Offices in the 18th Circuit, FCCD members, and other invited guests. The mission of the Leadership and Diversity Training program focused on helping Department of Corrections' staff become more aware of the various ways one's involvement and actions can unify a vision. It showcased effective and positive leadership skills one can utilize when interacting with offenders, discussed effective re-entry programs, and highlighted processes that enable offenders to reintegrate back to society through networking.

Supervisor Grimes had the vision to invite our two dynamic speakers, Michael Cadore and Alberta Wilson, who gave riveting presentations about diversity, leadership and unity. The speakers brought their own experiences and situations to the training, and explained how their actions impacted a positive outcome not only for themselves but in the community. All participants were given credit for 1 hour of training. Guests were treated to light refreshments and had a chance to network afterwards. This celebration is one that won't



soon be forgotten.

Kudos to Samantha Eastman, Donna Bolton and Nichola Ogunlari for a job well done in helping to organize this event. A special thanks to Supervisor Samantha Eastman, who worked hard to research and organize a wonderful showcase display of both local and national Black leaders. Supervisor Jordon and Supervisor Eastman also provided all of the pastries and snacks for the training. Thanks to FCCD Chapter 20 for donating the coffee. Thanks to all of our FCCD supporters and probation officers who attended.

## Chapter 20 Career & Community Resource Job Fair: Re-Entry

by Nichola Ogunlari

What a great event we had on January 19, 2016! The Circuit 18 Melbourne Probation Field Office, along with FCCD Chapter 20, collaborated with community partners to hold a Career & Community Resource Fair for offenders. A total of 45 individuals participated with 18 vendors.

Our Circuit Administrator, Ms. Rachel Richardson, thanked the vendors for their participation. She explained the importance for such events in the



Attendees at Re-Entry job fair.

community, and noted that the Florida Department of Corrections is committed to ensuring that all offenders have the opportunity to re-enter the community with the necessary support from the Department. Ms. Richardson thanked Officer Bolton and Officer Ogunlari for planning and implementing the event.

Officer Thomson gained a new case the day of the

event; a participant indicated that she was homeless. Officer Thomson took the time to help determine whether any assistance could be given to the affected individual. Officer Crooks and Officer Hussey assisted at the fair by making sure offenders signed in and knew where to go for assistance. Thanks to all of the probation officers for their support.

## Chapter 20 Women in Leadership

by Lisa Farr & Nichola Ogunlari

On March 28, 2016, the Titusville Probation Office, in conjunction with FCCD Chapter 20, hosted "Women in Leadership" Training at the Brevard County Public Library. Anthony Jordan, Senior Supervisor in the Titusville office, read a message from the Honorable Robin Lemonidis who was unable to attend the training. Judge Lemonidis emphasized the impact that her mom had in her life. Her mom always told her don't be the best woman anything, just be the best.

Mr. Jordan then introduced the two guest speakers, Marcia Gaedcke, President of the Titusville Chamber of Commerce, and the Honorable Michelle Baker. The presentations given by Ms. Gaedcke and Judge Baker came from two dramatically different perspectives.

Ms. Gaedcke reflected back in history and discussed two women who stood out as examples in her life, Eleanor Roosevelt and Margaret Thatcher. Although these women were political figures, Ms. Gaedcke stated that she is not into politics.

Judge Baker reflected back on her journey to becoming a judge, the accomplishments she has made along the way and the difference she continues to make in the community. She attributed her success to her passion and faith.

All participants were given credit for 1 hour of training. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this event.

Additionally, FCCD is proud of the dedicated service put forth by past, present and soon-to-be female presidents of FCCD. They exemplify the values inherent to the organization. With their leadership skills and years of dedication, these wonderful ladies enhance the mission of FCCD and ensure its future.

On behalf of Chapter 20, thank you Women in Leadership!



## Chapter 23 News

### Chapter 23 Annual Elderly Sock Drive

Chapter 23 held its annual Elderly Sock Drive in December, 2015 at Blountstown Health & Rehab Nursing Home. This event is always a huge success. Members are generous enough to donate socks for this event every year. Our large group, including some members' children, went door to door at the facility passing out socks to residents and wishing everyone a Merry Christmas. Every person is extremely happy to see us, particularly the children, and eager to have their new socks. We ensure that everyone is given at least one pair. There has been occasion where a second pair has been requested and we are glad to provide them. The event brings a smile to everyone's face!!!!



Annual Elderly Sock Drive participants



## Chapter 23 “Painting with a Peach”

by Tammy McCroskey, Chapter 23 President

Chapter 23 hosted our first Peach!!! It was a great success. and old, who came out to show that attended had an awesome these events throughout the are off to a slow start, this was assist with community projects. deepest gratitude to Ms. Gyll for hosting our event.



Front row: Gyll More, Debbie Dolan, Landon Mayo, Mary Martina, Molly Hobbs, Cayla Eikeland  
Middle row: Roxie Kaen, Kelsey Jones, JoJo Shuler  
Back row: Ashlynnne McClendon, Trish Perkins, Ashley Lewis, Tammy McCroskey, Candace Mayo, Chayla Eikeland, Heather Barfield

ever.....Painting with a We had over 15 people, young off their artistic skills. Everyone time. We hope to plan a few of years to come. Although we our first successful fundraiser to We also want to express our Moore, “Painting with a Peach,”

## Chapter 30 News

by Corporal Jennifer Celt

If I'm being honest, I have to say that I was lured into joining FCCD by the stories I heard from co-workers who had attended its annual conferences in amazing places. I wasn't sure what FCCD was all about, but I knew I wanted to be a part of such a fun time that somehow was considered “training,” and for \$1 per paycheck? ... I'm in!

I signed up for the payroll deduction and I began attending meetings. I quickly learned what the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency works to accomplish. I helped plan and execute fundraisers to benefit worthy causes such as Wounded Warriors, shelters for abused women and children and cancer research. I registered runners for our annual race, painted wooden officers to sell and researched which products we could sell for the most profit. I am proud to report that being a part of FCCD became all about the good feeling I received being a part of helping those in need, and the conferences that pulled me in were all but forgotten.

Last year, after a couple of years of membership, I was invited to my first FCCD Institute on St. Pete Beach. The other members had become family so I looked at it as kind of like a family vacation. There was quite a bit of fun to be had, but the purpose of the conference remained clear. I attended work-related trainings throughout, many of which I relayed to my staff when I returned to work. The evenings were full of comradery, professional networking, great food, and reminders of our purpose as members of FCCD. Throughout the days and evenings I was able to speak with vendors and learn different and new ways to make my workplace safer, more effective, and a better place to work.

I came away from my first FCCD Institute with tons of new knowledge, new friends, gadgets to show off to my staff, and an even closer familial feeling with my fellow FCCD coworkers. My main reason for being a member, though, has evolved greatly from my first thoughts of a fun week of “training,” to one of pride in being part of a council that does so much good for so many.

## Orange County Sheriff Jerry L. Demings Keynote Speaker at the 2nd Quarter Board Meeting

By Linda Brooks, President-Elect

The Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency (FCCD) held its 2nd Quarterly Board Meeting February 26th and 27th at the Caribe Royale Hotel in Orlando. Orange County Sheriff Jerry L. Demings spoke at the event. In recognition of Black History Month, Sheriff Demings gave an enlightening speech to the group, discussing the history of African Americans' service in the Sheriff's office. He also discussed several other critical law enforcement issues of interest today including heroin, human trafficking, police violence and body cameras.

FCCD is the primary organization in Florida that brings various agencies and

professionals together to develop strategies to solve the state's criminal justice problems. The mission of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency is to serve as a catalyst for the prevention of, and reduction of, crime and delinquency. FCCD offers educational programs designed to foster information exchange and training among professionals in law enforcement, the courts, corrections, probation and parole, and juvenile justice. The turnout for the February meeting was very good and with representation from across the state from each of these disciplines.



Sheriff Demings and Linda Brooks

## Ms. Coonrod Appointed Commission Chair & Mr. Davison Appointed Commission Vice Chair by Governor Scott and Cabinet

By Gina Giacomo, President

At the March 2, 2016 Cabinet meeting, Governor Rick Scott and members of the Florida Cabinet appointed Melinda N. Coonrod to serve a two-year term as Commission Chair and appointed Richard D. Davison to serve a two-year term as Commission Vice-Chair. The terms of both appointments begin April 1, 2016.



Melinda N. Coonrod

Commissioner Coonrod was appointed by Governor Scott and Cabinet on June 26, 2012 and confirmed by the Florida Senate on April 29, 2013 to serve a six-year term extending until June 30, 2018. Coonrod received a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree from Florida State University's College of Business and a Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) from Nova University in Ft. Lauderdale. Prior to her appointment as Commissioner, she served as an attorney and Administrative Hearing Officer for the Florida Department of Agriculture's Division of Licensing, as an Adjunct Professor at Florida State University, and as an Assistant State Attorney for the Second Judicial Circuit. She is a member of the

Florida Bar and Tallahassee Bar Associations, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, the Association of Paroling Authorities International, the American Probation and Parole Association, the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, the Florida Police Chiefs Association and the Florida Sheriffs Association.

Commissioner Davison was appointed by Governor Scott and the Cabinet on August 19, 2014, and was confirmed by the Florida Senate on April 29, 2015 to serve a six-year term extending until June 30, 2020. Davison received a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree from Florida State University and a Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) from the University of Florida. Prior to the Commission he served as an Assistant State Attorney, an Assistant Statewide Prosecutor, as Legal Counsel for the Gadsden County Sheriff's Office, and as Deputy Secretary for the Department of Juvenile Justice and the Florida Department of Corrections.



Richard D. Davison

# DJJ Leads Nation in Reform

By DJJ Secretary Christina K. Daly

Protecting Florida's youth and the communities we serve is the top priority of the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), and over the last five years, we have worked to innovate Florida's system through a transparent and accountable process. The results experienced over the last few years have led to thousands of Florida children leading more productive, healthy lives – something we are very proud of.

Just five years ago, close to 75,000 youth in Florida were arrested. Today, that number has declined by almost 30,000, due in large part to Florida's aggressive shift towards effective and evidence-based programming. Like most states, Florida used to rely heavily on services that emphasized deterrence and discipline. Unfortunately, decades of research by the country's leading criminologists tells us that these types of programs are largely ineffective and do a poor job of reducing delinquency. Research suggests that these types of interventions can actually increase the likelihood that youth will re-offend.

Utilizing the latest research and data to guide decision making, DJJ implemented best practices and evidence-based services to transform Florida's juvenile justice system. Treatment plans are tailored utilizing validated assessment tools to ensure kids are receiving appropriate types and levels of services.

Juvenile arrests are now at their lowest levels in 30 years, and the number of children being arrested has declined 40 percent. The number of those considered serious, violent and chronic offenders has also been on the decline for each of the past seven years. The juvenile justice system we see now recognizes that children are different than adults. They are adaptable and their behavior can be changed through appropriate interventions that are strategically matched to their needs. Florida is successfully moving to a youth-centered system working to hold them accountable, while also focusing on their identified behavioral needs to ensure the best outcomes, which results in stronger families and safer communities.

Now, more children are getting the opportunity to receive interventions that work and translate to lower recidivism rates; for example, civil citation holds youth

accountable while achieving a 5 percent recidivism rate. Focusing on prevention and reaching kids early means better outcomes for our kids and reserves the costly intensive residential services for the youth who need them most.

But that does not mean juveniles should not be held accountable for their actions. DJJ's reform efforts are based on a framework that justice must be restored with a balanced approach. Our Department still has much to accomplish and our reform work is far from over. While we have decreased the number of lower risk to reoffend youth in our residential programs we now face higher concentrations of youth with more challenging and complex behaviors and needs. We will continue to work to meet those needs and to improve outcomes so that they can transition back into their communities and into successful adulthood.

Florida's juvenile justice reform work is being adopted as an innovative model in states all across our great nation. From the work out in the field of our prevention and reform specialists, to the work of our juvenile probation officers and officers in our facilities, we strive every day to provide the best services and care for our state's at-risk and delinquent youth.

We remain deeply committed to continuing to work with stakeholders – law enforcement, the courts, and providers – to ensure a system of excellence for the care of at-risk and delinquent youth providing evidence-based and rehabilitative services so desperately needed by these children. It is not a task taken lightly or one where we don't expect challenges. Despite those challenges, we know that we can make a difference, not only for our kids but for our communities.

*Thank you to the FCCD for their continued support of DJJ and its employees, and a special thank you for FCCD's recent mural project taking place in some of the DJJ residential facilities. This is an excellent example of providing a direct benefit to the children we serve in our facilities – job well done!*

## Orange County Corrections Re-Entry Partnership: Construction Program Graduates First Class

By Tracey Zampaglione, Public Information Officer Orange County Corrections

Success! The first 18 inmates to complete the OCCD's new Construction Program graduated on April 8. Community Corrections & Inmate Program Manager Linda A. Brooks was the commencement speaker. Brooks told graduates, "We all have a story but there are different chapters to that story. Today is a new chapter."

The graduation ceremony also included remarks from graduates and special guests from Valencia College. Graduates expressed genuine gratitude for the opportunity to participate in the program. Graduate Michele Mikel said, "I have been given an opportunity to learn a trade and an opportunity to never come back here."

Construction graduate Willie Riggins said, "Thank you for everyone who made this possible for me and my fellow classmates. This is truly a blessing and a chance for us to turn our lives around."

The Construction Program gives offenders real-world skills and they are guaranteed work upon release. The

program operates in partnership with Valencia College and Goodwill Industries. Valencia College provides the course curriculum and tools, and Goodwill Industries provides job placement and follow-up for the inmates. There is a waiting list for the next class which begins May 2.



## 2nd Quarterly Board Meeting Community Service Project

Bridges of America

A huge thank you to all the Chapters for bringing toys to the Board Meeting to be donated to the Bridges for the children's bonding visits with their parents. Thank you Bridges of America for providing the invaluable relationship between incarcerated parents and their children.

So awesome! Thank you from the bottom of my heart. The toys will be put to good use.

Lori Brown, Chief Executive Officer, President, Bridges International



### Past Presidents who Attended the Quarterly Board Meeting.

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# FORGOTTEN PUBLIC SERVANTS CONTRIBUTE TO SAFER COMMUNITIES

by Cornita A. Riley, Chief of Orange County Corrections

Public servants such as military service men and women, police, firefighters and other first responders are frequently thanked for all they give and do on the public's behalf. However, there is an often-forgotten group of public servants who toil tirelessly in the background behind the walls—our corrections professionals. This group also plays a significant role in the community's day-to-day safety.

Custody. Care. Control. These three little words summarize the very big job that correctional professionals do on a regular basis 24/7, 365 days a year. May 1 through 7 is Corrections Professionals Week when Orange County and the rest of the country will recognize this dedicated group of unsung heroes who work in the background to ensure our communities are safer. Corrections professionals interact daily with people accused of violating the law in some way, or who must pay their debt to society by living within our communities under correctional supervision and set restrictions.

Working in corrections is not a career to take lightly. Orange County operates the 19th largest jail system in the nation and the 5th largest jail in Florida. With nearly 1,800 employees, Corrections is the largest department in Orange County Government. Of those, 1,100 are certified officers. In 2015, the Orange County Corrections Department booked more than 43,000 individuals into the jail and had an average daily population of 2,755 inmates.

The frontline roles in corrections are diverse. Correctional officers, case managers, community corrections officers and probation officers work directly with offenders to encourage positive change. Medical staff members attend to the needs of inmates, many of whom have mental health and/or addiction issues. Program staff members work diligently to offer offenders the

skills and opportunities needed to become law-abiding citizens.

Corrections professionals work to protect the public and reduce re-offending so that ultimately fewer people are affected by crime. Helping inmates change—and watching over those who are not ready or willing to do so—is challenging work. There is no shortage of challenges faced by correctional staff members but these committed professionals continue to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

Work in the corrections profession goes far beyond the supervision and surveillance of inmates. Today's correctional staff members are highly trained professionals who constantly acquire and apply best practices, and consistently meet the highest standards in the profession.

Along with reducing re-offending, Corrections' key priorities are to improve public safety, provide increased public value, develop community partnerships and show strong, visible leadership. Orange County Corrections professionals contribute to public safety by maintaining the safe, secure and humane management of offenders within the jail system.

Corrections professionals deserve our respect and honor not only from May 1 through May 7 but throughout the entire year. After all, they have earned it.

Riley is Chief of Orange County Corrections



## FCCD is pleased to announce the following:

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### – Ms. Justine Patterson –

promoted to Florida Department of Corrections Regional Administrator.

### – Mr. Raul Banasco –

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## Michelle Jordan for the Executive Board position of State Secretary



My name is Michelle Jordan and I am running for the Executive Board position of Secretary. I am currently employed with the Florida Department of Corrections (FDC) in the Security Threat Intelligence Unit. I have been with the State of Florida for 25 years and have been a member of FCCD for 23 of those years. During my employment with FDC, I have had the opportunity

to travel around the country conduct presentations on Prison Gangs for the American Correctional Association, Southern States Correctional Association, National Major Gang Task Force and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Through my travels, I have been fortunate to establish relationships with other Correctional and Law Enforcement agencies.

Through my membership with FCCD I have been involved in Chapters 2, 7, 17 and have been on numerous committees (over 15 years) with the State Board. Positions I have held are: Secretary, President-Elect and President (twice) for Chapter 2, President of Chapter 7, Time and Place Co-Chair, Local Arrangements, State President Liaison, ACA Liaison, Door Prize Committee, Program Chair, and Vendors Co-Chair to name a few. I have also been involved in the Florida Gang Investigators Association (FGIA) for over 20 years where I served as Secretary and President and currently serve as the membership coordinator.

I was honored to have been selected as the FCCD Distinguished Service Award recipient from Chapter 2 for

Corrections and Law Enforcement, and was awarded the Bill Bedingfield Scholarship on the State level. I have also won the Gang Investigator of the Year twice from the Florida Gang Investigators Association.

What does FCCD mean to me? There are two words that come to mind, family and friends. My best friends are those I met through FCCD. When going through my own family loss, my FCCD family was there to lift my spirits. This organization has also helped me professionally. There are so many people I have met in the past 23 years that are now in administrative positions that I can call and ask a favor of.

Community service and training are two key elements for our organization. Each time I attend a board meeting, it amazes me how much our members give back to the community by donating their time and money. And the training that is offered, not only at the local level, but also at the annual institute, is top notch. If elected to the State Board, I want to continue to give back to the community and to our members. I would like to dig in to our membership and reestablish a connection with those that have not been active in some time.

Speaking of our members, that is YOU. Without you, there would not be a FCCD. We need all of our members to be active and to tell us what we can do better. It is YOUR organization and everyone, from the Chapter Presidents to the State Board, work for you. Thank you for the continued support you give this organization.

## Shelley Liddle for Executive Board position of State Secretary



Greetings fellow FCCD members! I am seeking your support and nomination for the position of State Secretary. I have been an active FCCD member since 2002 and worn many hats during this time. I began serving on my local Chapter 12 board as Secretary after chairing several committees to include Community Service, Membership, and Training & Fundraising. Progressing through the ranks, I became

the Chapter President in 2009, and then again in 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2015, each year leading and successfully guiding the chapter to the coveted Chapter Effectiveness Award. Throughout this five-year tenure, the chapter performed countless hours of community service, as well as offering a

multitude of outstanding training opportunities in the Polk county area.

Currently, I am serving as Past President for Chapter 12 for the third time and looking to assist the chapter in reaching new heights. During my time as Past President, I chaired several state committees, including Chapter Effectiveness, CPOF scholarship, Institute Manager, Time and Place, Board Meeting Manager, Local Arrangements Chair, and Food and Beverage Chair. I am currently serving as the Silent Auction Chair for the upcoming Annual Institute.

My commitment to this organization runs deep in to my veins. I was very humbled, at the conclusion of the 2012 and 2015 Institutes, to receive the very prestigious State President's Award. At the local level, anyone who is a part of this great organization knows how difficult it can be to keep a chapter active and afloat due to many challenges and changes in our criminal justice organization. But, amidst all the hurdles, I have managed to make Chapter 12 one of the most active chapters in the state.



Our core values include training, education, community service, prevention and maintaining a network that is often considered a family rather than an organization. I believe that I have the leadership, commitment, work ethic and love for this organization that would make me a perfect match for a position on the State Board. I overcame the challenges of not only keeping up our membership, but have excelled in the recruitment department, catapulting Chapter 12 to over 160 members strong. As we know, it is the membership that drives FCCD. In the training and education department, I have made strides with interesting topics that not only broke attendance numbers, but have been beneficial to everyone in attendance. Community Service projects for Chapter 12 have been taken to new heights, thanks to the willingness to demonstrate the importance of giving back. This was validated at the 2015 Annual Institute when Chapter 12 was awarded the State Community Service Award. Many lives have been changed through the community service projects which include: Relay for Life, March for Babies, Special Olympics Florida, Paint Your Heart Out Lakeland, Habitat for Humanity, Employee Charities, Soda Tab Collections, Adopted Soldiers and Families, and

the list goes on and on. There is no telling how many lives have been helped or changed through the leadership role I have so dearly embraced. I am confident that if elected as State Board Secretary, I will make you proud. My love for this organization is endless and I continue to demonstrate it over and over again. My diverse background with our wonderful organization, I believe, makes me an excellent choice for the State Board Secretary.

I am a twenty-six (26) year veteran of the Department of Correction where I serve as the Training Sergeant for Polk Correctional Institution. Currently enrolled in the DROP program, if elected my time as State President will come as I complete the program in 2019. In addition to my involvement with Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, I also belong to the Corrections Foundation and Correctional Peace Officers Foundation. In my "spare time" I enjoy traveling and furthering my education. My current plans are to begin the Master's Program at Florida State University in 2016.

I would love the opportunity to speak with each of you to share my desire to continue moving this wonderful organization forward as your State Secretary.

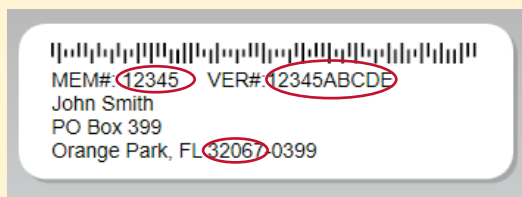


# ELECTION PROCEDURES

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\* Recommended by the Nominations Committee


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Candidates

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