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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## Greetings FCCD members and friends!



I am excited and honored to serve as this year's FCCD State President. With this being the 89th year for the FCCD Annual

Training Institute, I was challenged to bring in different ideas for training tracks and a unique statewide community service project.

It has been 13 years since we had a training conference in Southeast Florida, and I'm pleased to announce that the Boca Raton Beach Club and Resort will be the site for our next annual training institute. Our training committee is working hard to ensure that FCCD provides the most current and relevant criminal justice topics to its conference attendees.

The theme for this year is **PIECE BY PIECE WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. The piece also represents puzzle pieces that ties into our Statewide community service project.... autism awareness. With the Conference being held in South Florida, it was my vision to assist a local grassroots charity that assists children with autism. Autism is diagnosed in 1 in 68 children, and it is the fastest growing developmental disorder in the United States.

Nearly 25 years ago, the Dan Marino Foundation was established by Clair and Dan Marino to assist families with services for children with autism. The Dan Marino

Foundation (DMF) is a results-driven nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of persons with autism or other developmental disabilities.

The DMF is also creating unprecedented opportunities for the disability community. At the core of the Foundation's initiatives is the Marino Campus, Which is an intensive 10-month post-secondary educational program to help young adults with autism or other developmental disabilities bridge the gap between high school and employment.

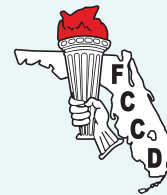
Obtaining services for autism can cost a family over \$60,000 a year. As a part of the statewide community service project, FCCD will be raising funds to donate to the Dan Marino Foundation to assist families with much needed services and programs. We are off to a great start after raising \$500 in one day at our first quarterly board meeting. Together we can make a difference with education and awareness. Please join us by getting involved so we can put all the pieces together until they fit.

Thank you all for your support....

Tammy Marcus  
State President  
Florida Council on  
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# STATEWIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

By Donna Wiebe

As President Tammy Marcus' letter notes, her statewide community service project is "Autism Awareness." Please review the last part of her letter for some history on the agency we will be supporting this year, the Dan Marino Foundation.

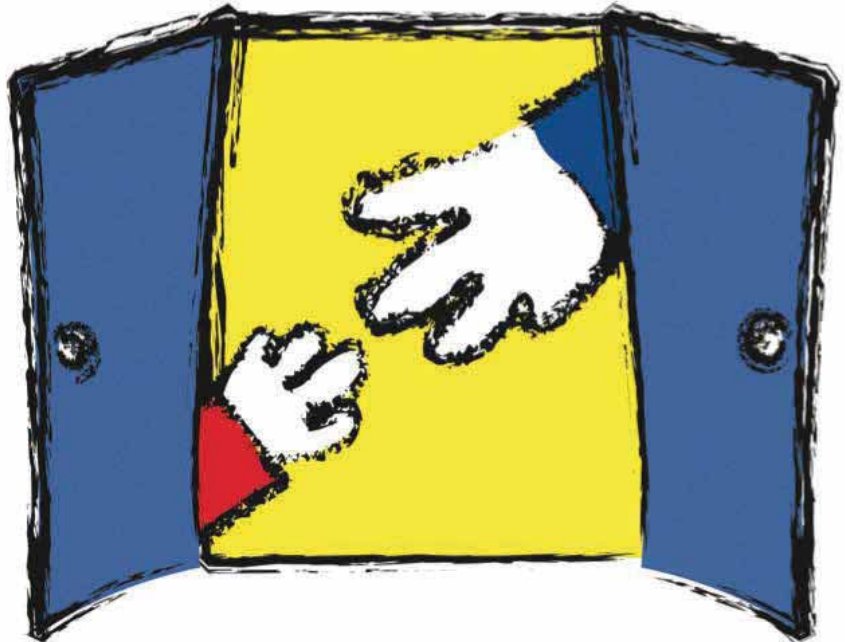
As a part of the statewide community service project, FCCD will be raising funds to donate to the Dan Marino Foundation to assist families with much needed services and programs. Chapters and members will be asked to provide support for this organization, by raising money and providing school/office related supplies to assist the students at the Dan Marino Foundation and Marino campus. We are also selling lapel pins and bracelets, to help raise funds. We are off to a great start after raising \$500 in one day at our first quarterly board meeting. As Tammy noted, "Together we can make a difference with education and awareness. Please join us by getting involved so we can put all the pieces together until they fit." If anything specific is requested by the Dan Marino Foundation, we will advise the chapters in advance.

The only exception to this project, will be at our second quarterly board meeting, being held on February 16-17, 2018 in Orlando. The community service project for this meeting will be Kids in Support of Soldiers (K.I.S.S.). This is a non profit organization created in 2009 by Elizabeth Mattei who was in second grade (Elizabeth, just turned 18) and

she started sending goodies to her cousin Chris, who was stationed in Iraq. After Chris' return home, he visited Elizabeth at school, to thank her for her packages. Elizabeth then asked her grandfather, if they could continue to send packages to members overseas. This was the start of K.I.S.S. and monthly "care packages" are sent to troops serving overseas, until they return home. FCCD chapters and members will collect items that will be sent to the troops overseas and at the meeting on Saturday, 2/17/18, members

attending the board meeting, will be packing the boxes for the March 2018 shipment overseas.

For more information, please go to [kidsinsupportofsoldiers.org](http://kidsinsupportofsoldiers.org). Items being collected: Cheez It packages; cookie packages (individual) Slim Jim sticks, bubble gum; candy, Hawaiian Punch boxes with individual packages, tuna fish cans, Vienna sausage cans; pop tart packages, oatmeal packages; Ramen Noodle packages; hot chocolate, moist towelettes; granola bars.



## DAN MARINO FOUNDATION

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opening doors



# WHAT A SUCCESS!

**Linda A. Brooks** | Past President

Thank you to all the Vendors, Sponsors and my awesome Team for an outstanding and very successful 2017 Institute! The 88th Criminal Justice Training Institute was a major success and accomplishment for the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency.

My sincere Thanks to each of you for your generous support, commitment and dedication to making the Institute one of the BEST ever! The Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista was the site and was directly across from Downtown Disney. This afforded our attendees an array of opportunities and options for after hour

activities. During the institute, our attendees enjoyed a number of high-quality educational workshops and networking opportunities over the course of the Institute. Many members have commented very favorably and positively on the Institute experience.

It was my vision to educate, inform and provide a networking forum for our attendees to discuss our theme, Transcending Race and Crime in our Community through Education, Empathy and Engagement in a thought provoking manner that would inspire us to take action in our local communities. Thank you for making this happen!



Moments from the 88th Criminal Justice Institute



# CHAPTER ONE

## CHAPTER 1 “ADOPTS” HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY’S NEWEST RE-ENTRY/TRAINING RESIDENTIAL CENTER FOR WOMEN:

ALLEN’S HOME OF HOPE, INC.  
1728 W. PINE ST. TAMPA, FL 33607

**ARDENA BOSLEY**  
Chapter 1 President

FCCD Ch. 1 has donated and will continue to provide necessities through collaborative efforts to locate, collect, and deliver needed items.

Allen’s Home of Hope, Inc. is a non-profit faith-based organization that was founded by Arlene M. Allen-Griffin, a selfless woman who devoted two decades of her life working within various sectors of criminal justice/community safety. She started her career in 1990 with Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office in the Classification/Records Department, later accepting a position with

the Florida Department of Corrections where she held several positions including Senior Clerk, Inmate Records Supervisor and Classification Officer. She also worked at Bridges Work Release Center and the Alpha House – a facility for homeless pregnant females. Her determination to help the females in prison drove her to put passion into action through taking a collaborative approach to help empower the women in order for them to become self-sufficient, contributing members of their communities. To attain these goals, Allen’s Home of Hope, Inc.

offers housing for up to eighteen months (or more if needed) while the participants complete personal development and vocational training, substance abuse counseling, interpersonal and independent skill building, mentoring, and GED prep. Residents receive three meals a day, personal hygiene items, and referrals to social service agencies.

Contact Ms. Allen-Griffin directly for additional information:  
[allenshomeofhope@outlook.com](mailto:allenshomeofhope@outlook.com)  
ph. 813-850-4917



## CHAPTER TWO

### 2017-2018 YEAR IS OFF TO A GREAT START!

#### JENNIFER BOSWELL

Chapter 2 President Elect

Our 2017-2018 year is off to a great start! We held our first Chapter meeting in October and were excited to have State President Tammy Marcus and State Treasurer Shelley Liddle in attendance. I had the opportunity to attend my first quarterly board meeting in November. What a wonderful experience that was!

So far this year, Chapter 2

members have donated glasses to the Lion's Club; volunteered at the She Rocks fundraiser benefiting PACE Center for Girls; participated with "Tip a Cop" at Red Robin benefiting the Special Olympics. In December, the Chapter will volunteer at Market Days, a w benefiting the Tallahassee Museum. Other upcoming projects include a

coat drive for the homeless and collecting toys for underserved children. One of our favorite events this time of year is the Senior Angel Tree, providing gifts to local nursing homes for those residents in need. We will also be offering a security training to help us through the holidays safely.



# CHAPTER FOUR

## COMMUNITY SERVICE CONTINUES AFTER STORM:

### SHERRI COLE

Chapter 4 President

Chapter 4 achieved Chapter Effectiveness again this year at the 88th Annual Criminal Justice Institute in Orlando, Florida. Our nominee for the Judicial Distinguished Service Award was Judge Michael A. Robinson. He was selected to be the award recipient and Chapter 4 accepted the award on his behalf. We hope that everyone has recovered from Hurricane Irma. The storm put a lot of our September functions on hold but our chapter has resumed our charitable activities. We had a busy month in October. We donated a large amount of clothing to the Florida Breast Cancer Foundation. We will be continuing to collect newspapers throughout the year for Faith Farm Ministries.

Chapter 4 raised \$500.00 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Light the Night Walk. We held a garage sale and used the proceeds to buy food for the women's shelter. During Domestic Violence month, we held a food drive that resulted in the collection of 15 large boxes of food to restock the AVDA pantry. Our chapter is continuing to sell jewelry to raise money for scholarships for the 89th Annual Criminal Justice Institute at the Boca Raton Resort Club. We plan to have a lot of interesting training selections at this year's Institute and hope that we have a large attendance. Please contact any of our board members to purchase jewelry items. Tammy Marcus is the President of the State

Board and she has chosen autism as her community service project for this year. At the first board meeting, Robert Ahlness, Director of Event Operations from the Dan Marino Foundation brought one of their students to the meeting to speak about their program. We are collecting used computer equipment, cell phones and school supplies to benefit their students. At the meeting, Chapter 4 was able to donate some equipment and school supplies for this great cause. The state board will be selling Autism themed pins and bracelets to raise money for this organization. Please see Tammy Marcus to help support this great organization. We will continue to fund

raise for the Dan Marino Foundation throughout the year.

We have many projects planned for December such as Wreaths Across America, Kids in Support of Soldiers, a toy drive and a Christmas food and clothing drive for Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse. Please visit our FCCD Chapter IV Facebook page for updates, newsletters and announcements. Please share the Councilor with your friends, family, coworkers and neighbors and encourage them to join our great organization. New members bring new ideas and expand our charitable goals. Please visit our website at [FCCDWEB.ORG](http://FCCDWEB.ORG) to learn more about the organization and fill out a membership application.





Sgt. Chuck McCray | August 2017



Roy Harden | September 2017



Cpt. Len Williams | October 2017

# CHAPTER FIVE

## CREATES MONTHLY LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARD

### DAVID F. LaCOB

Chapter 5 Secretary

This year's in-coming Chapter 5 President, Stephen Starling, wanted to do something to honor local law enforcement within the counties that our chapter serves. President Starling implemented a monthly law enforcement officer recognized at each monthly chapter training and luncheon. President Starling came up with the idea after reading a story about Alachua County Deputy saving a 52 year old male that was having a massive heart attack. That Deputy, Sergeant Chuck McCray, was chosen as the first recipient of chapter 5's Law Enforcement Officer of the Month, for August 2017. Sgt. McCray administered CPR and was able to bring the individual back to life. He was recognized at the monthly training in September held at RMC.

The September 2017 Law Enforcement Officer of the Month was Corrections Officer Roy Harden from the Reception and Medical Center. Officer Hardin was

driving home after Hurricane Irma when he came upon a car that had lost control and flipped several times pinning the female driver inside. Officer Harden stopped and was able to remove the passenger from the vehicle. He then went back and crawled inside the vehicle and help stabilize the driver and stayed with her until fire rescue arrived and extracted her from the vehicle. Officer Hardin was recognized at the October training held at Columbia C.I.

Captain Len Williams from the Union County Sherriff's Office was chosen as the October 2017 Law Enforcement Officer of the Month. Captain Williams was chosen based on his 25 years of dedicated service to the residents' of Union County. Due to scheduling conflicts, Captain Williams was not able to receive his award at the November training held at RMC and will be recognized at the December training held at Union C.I.

Each recipient of the Law Enforcement Officer of the Month Award is invited, along with their families and friends, to the monthly training and luncheons to receive recognition and a plaque. The plaques are sponsored by Terrasa Wood of Capital Insurance.





Pictured L to R Pat Honour- Marvin Griffis- Mary Taylor

## CHAPTER FIVE

### MEMBERS COLLECTS SCHOOL SUPPLIES

#### PAT HONOUR

Chapter 5 members collected school supplies prior to the 88th Annual Training Institute and were proud to help with Supporting Homeless Students in Orange County. The attached photo is a portion of the supplies collected by Chapter 5 members.

## CHAPTER SIX

### REINVENTED

#### D. ELIZABETH MALLARD

Chapter 6 President

With inspiration from the first quarterly board meeting, Chapter VI has been inspired to reinvent our local chapter that serves Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa and Walton Counties. We have a big area to cover, but 2018 promises to bring great things in the way of quality, relevant training and service projects that give back to the West Florida communities where we live and work. To kick things off, the last two months of 2017 was dedicated to a membership drive to increase our numbers and bring in individuals from areas of law enforcement that have not historically been strongly represented in our organization. Planned trainings will center on topics of current trends in law enforcement such as Human Trafficking and the Opioid/Synthetic Cannabinoid Crisis, as well as Personal Growth and Wellness for Law Enforcement. In addition to supporting and participating in our statewide community service project with the Dan Marino Foundation, local service projects will center on youth and the elderly.

### TAKING CARE OF OUR OWN

#### D. ELIZABETH MALLARD

Chapter 6 President

Chapter VI is committed to helping educate and train our most valuable resource: People. All aspects of the law enforcement community depend on staff who push themselves to the limits and often put their own health and needs aside for the greater good. This is a trend that has to change, and in West Florida, we are committed to helping take care of public servants so they can continue to keep the areas where we live and work safe. National Studies have documented the effects of stress and long hours on those who work in law enforcement on the streets, but it has only been in the last few years that studies specifically focused on correctional workers have been done.

As members of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, there is much we can do to help take care of the fine men and women we work alongside every day. Simple steps and small changes can help us develop healthy lifestyles that will enable us to live long, productive and meaningful lives as we continue to serve. Start with carefully considering dietary choices and make a commitment to exercising a few days each week. Remember, it takes about two months to change or develop a habit, so don't get discouraged on a day when the best food choices don't present themselves or schedules derail plans to be active. Finally, encourage a friend, relative or co-worker to join you in this pursuit. Having an accountability partner always helps.

Best wishes for a healthy, happy 2018 from Chapter VI.

# CHAPTER SEVEN

## MY EXPERIENCE AT THE FCCD 88TH TRAINING INSTITUTE

### CCO KIMBERLY HOWARD

Orange County Corrections



This was my second year in a row attending the annual conference held by FCCD. I was afforded the opportunity to attend two days of the conference this year. When I walked down the exhibit Hall I was amazed at how many vendor booths

filled both sides of the hall. Not only was the hallway filled with vendor booths but

a separate ballroom to the side was also overflowing with vendors. Each vendor I spoke with was excited to be there and address any questions I had.

Each morning started with a Plenary Session in the main ballroom. The first morning was a panel discussion about the topic of "Race and Crime". It was enlightening to hear from various Criminal Justice professionals and their point of view on the topic. As that session broke out, I attended three additional workshops throughout the day. The second day began with a morning session that was presented by an FBI agent who spoke on the tragedy of Pulse. It was fascinating to hear about the experience the agent underwent as he experienced Pulse firsthand as one of the main

investigators. The workshop that left the biggest impression on me was the Human Trafficking "A Survivors Perspective". Hearing about how she survived being Human Trafficked was eye opening to say the least. All of the presenters throughout the conference were very knowledgeable and engaging with their presentations. Overall, I was very impressed with the professionalism all around from the registration staff to the moderators and speakers. The hotel was beautiful and easy to maneuver through parking and locating the conference. I enjoyed each workshop that I attended and excited to share what I learned with my team!

Thank you for allowing me to attend!

## CHAPTER 7 MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN TEACH-IN 2018

### CPL. ORLANDO ROMAN

Orange County Corrections

Each November, in celebration of American Education Week, the Foundation for Orange County Public School brings business and civic leaders into the classrooms in a fun and engaging way to talk with students about academics, careers and the future. At this year's Teach-In, FCCD Chapter 7 visited Evans High School, and spoke with Dr. Chisholm's 3rd period students about the long-term effects of youth incarceration in our community.

Orange County Corrections Department Corporal Orlando Roman and Officer Leonia Thornton engaged students in a positive dialogue about the emotional, societal, and financial effects of youth incarceration within the local community.

Officer Thornton, an alumna from Evans High School, spoke about her personal experiences overcoming adversity, and how she was driven to the field of corrections. When a student asked Officer Thornton about why she was inspired to participate in the Teach-In, she responded "The way our children are raised today, will determine our future generations.

As I look around your classroom, I see hope. Hope that each student will be prosperous, and rise above all obstacles you encounter."

Corporal Roman shared with the students the many challenges at-risk youth are faced with after an arrest, as well as the long-term effects incarceration has on youth within the community. He shared his personal experiences growing up with adversity as well, and how positive mentorship and role models inspired him to give back to his community. "I believe there is a tremendous responsibility for those of us who have shared a similar path to give back and mentor our students to become the future leaders of tomorrow."

Sharing their personal experiences from working within the community and the Orange County Jail, Corporal Roman and Officer Thornton aimed to

have a positive impact on the students of Evans High School while advocating for continuing education and positive social behavior. This is just one example of how FCCD Chapter 7 remains committed to furthering the organizations mission. They are driven to serve as a catalyst for the prevention and reduction of crime and delinquency for all Central Floridians.



# CHAPTER EIGHT

## DAWN DINATALE

Chapter 8 President

Hello to all FCCD Chapter 8 members. I am your Chapter President for Miami, Dade and Monroe Counties. I am looking forward to an amazing year. In January, along with Past State President, and active Chapter 8 member, Maria DiBernardo, we will be setting up a "meet and greet" at

the Institutions in located within our chapter boundaries.

We would love to increase our chapter membership and challenge each institution to have fundraisers so people from their institution can attend the upcoming Training Institute in Boca Raton, in August, 2018.



# CHAPTER TEN

## FCCD CHAPTER 10 WORKS WITH EHCO ON HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

In the month of November, it is customary that we take the time to count our blessings and express thanks for every one of them. It is also the time to remember and help out those that may not be as fortunate and lend a hand to these families.

Florida Council; on Crime and Delinquency Chapter 10 partnered with Extended Hands Community Outreach (EHCO) in November to provide food assistance to those in need in our community. EHCO has been helping people in our community for over fourteen years and this is the second year we have worked with them. We collected a large variety of mostly canned goods. There were also dry goods such as rice and beans and even pudding cups. Additionally, there were 2 turkeys provided.

We began collecting in October to be ready with our bulk delivery. Once the truck was loaded with the food, New FCCD Chapter 10 member Alice Abril, FCCD Chapter 10 Secretary Scott Brown drove from Circuit Office in downtown West Palm Beach to EHCO headquarters, which also houses their pantry and kitchen at the corner of Cheerful and Beautiful Streets. Chapter Vice president Jeanette Osborne and member Silvia Burden presented the turkeys. The EHCO facilities are truly amazing, very functional and suited to assisting large numbers of people, including many children who are in need of food assistance. FCCD Chapter 10 members visiting the EHCO mission were impressed by the cheerful, yet strong capacity of the facility for helping so many people.

EHCO helps the community all year round. One of their significant missions is identifying and helping children whose primary source of nutritional food is the school system, but who have failed to be connected with public assistance to sustain them through the summer months. EHCO makes sure as many of these children as possible receive healthy food every day. FCCD Chapter 10 intends to continue to work with them in the future.

On Saturday, November 18th, volunteers from the surrounding communities, EHCO and FCCD Chapter 10 gathered together to arrange the collected items into bags to distribute to the families that needed a little help filling their pantries. Working like a well-oiled machine, in about two (2) hours the volunteers assembled over 200 baskets!



## FCCD CHAPTER 10 OCTOBER SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency Chapter 10 has had a rewarding October as we held a school Supply drive for Northmore Elementary near downtown West Palm Beach.

We collected a lot of supplies, but focused on materials that the school greatly needed for reading and writing projects, namely personal white dry erase boards and post-it notes. The small post-its and small white boards facilitate the brainstorming, organizing and revising so important for summarizing effectively or writing creatively. FCCD Chapter 10 donations were handed over to Northmore staff and students on their Dress Up as Your Favorite Story Book Character Day, October 31st. FCCD Chapter 10 members,

Vice President Officer Jeanette Osborne and Senior Supervisor Sharon Edmonds donated the collected supplies to the staff and students while meeting with Principal Vonda B. Daniels, Assistant Principal Monique Foushee, and Parent Liaison, Charrie Gordon.

The day was filled with honored guests from the community visiting classrooms to read favorite stories to the children. The FCCD Chapter 10 supplies hand-off coincided with the mid-day Parade of Story Book Characters. The day's festivities concluded with the After Care Program being transformed into a fun Trunk or Treat candy experience for the students enrolled in that important program. Thank you Northmore Elementary. Keep on reading, writing and celebrating



literature. FCCD Chapter 10 hopes you have bright futures and we hope to visit you again. Go Panthers!!



Pictured in photo from left to right:

**Tammy Marcus**  
FCCD State President

**Robert Ahlness**  
Director of Event Operations  
Dan Marino Foundation

**Mark Strach**  
Chapter 10 President.

# CHAPTER TEN

## FCCD CHAPTER 10 DONATES CHECK TO THE DAN MARINO FOUNDATION

FCCD Chapter 10 donated a check for the Dan Marino Foundation (DMF) for Autism on 11/16/17 at the quarterly meeting. Presenting the check intended for DMF was Chapter 10 President Mark Strach and President Tammy Marcus while Director of Events Operation Robert Ahlness was accepting the donation. FCCD has adopted the DMF for 2017-2018 as a community service project. The Dan Marino Foundation (DMF) is a results-driven nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of persons with autism or other developmental disabilities. They use innovative approaches to

problem solving and leveraging the latest computer technologies. The Marino Campus is a new postsecondary school for young adults, ages 18-28, with autism and other developmental disabilities. Marino Campus offers one-year diploma programs in three areas of study designed to bridge the gap between young people with developmental disabilities and their threshold to employment and independence. The Dan Marino Foundation offers scholarships for young scientists, along with providing a 10-month program at the Marino Campus. Also they offer a virtual interviewing software system

(VITA DMF), that help students with disabilities who struggle with job interviewing and then receive virtual reality practice. The Marino Autism Research Institute has funded the science behind VITA DMF and the Marino Scholars Program at Vanderbilt University. This promotes interdisciplinary training in neuroscience for future researchers and clinicians. Along with that, The Nicklaus Children's Hospital Dan Marino Outpatient Center provides a one-stop-shop for families of infants, children and teens in need of diagnostic and rehabilitation services. Chapter 10 is proud to be a sponsor of this community service project.



## CHAPTER TWELVE

### OFFICER HEATHER AYSCUE

Polk Correctional Institution

I would like to start off by saying thank you for allowing me the opportunity to experience my first Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency Annual Training Institute. I found the institute to be very educating with training classes such as Inmate Manipulation, Security Threat Groups, and Human Trafficking. I was also impressed with how organized everything was and the comradery amongst all departments and organizations that were present. From being able to mingle and learn from every person I came in contact with to experiencing the passion this organization has for the good of our state, I was very pleased with my experience and would be honored if chose to attend again. Once again thank you.



### ERIC MINER

This past August, I was nominated to attend the FCCD 88th Annual Training Institute in Orlando. I was unsure of what the Institute was about, much less what was expected of me. As I asked around about it, my anticipation grew. I found out about the workshops, the vendors, the speakers, as well as the ball. I was really excited to be able to be chosen and be able to attend!

Upon my arrival, I felt like a kid visiting the city for the first time. I was finally there, able to be included in all that FCCD has to offer! I was not let down! The workshops that I attended were more tools for me to be able to utilize. The vendors offered services and information. The speakers were unforgettable. The ball gave me memories to last a lifetime. However, there was one thing that topped off the entire event. The newest members of what I call, My Forever Family. I was able to meet people from across Florida that have many of the same interests and objectives as me.

It was my pleasure to be able to attend this year. I am anticipating the 89th in Boca. With that, I have started a savings account and already put in my leave request! I WILL be there!

## CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

### DONNA WIEBE

Chapter 17 is trying to revamp and become an active chapter again. Chapter 17 encompasses Flager and Volusia Counties. We had 5 members attend the 88th Annual Training Institute and we contributed approximately \$400 in clothing, school supplies and gift cards towards the statewide community service project, "Helping Homeless Students", benefitting the Orange County School Board.



## CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

### SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

#### KELLY COTTON

Chapter 18 President-Elect

On November 18th, Chapter 18 members hosted a fundraiser to support a local Correctional Officer and dear friend who was diagnosed with breast cancer just 5 weeks after giving birth to her beautiful baby girl. Life has been a continuous battle since her diagnosis. She has endured chemo, surgery and radiation, only for it to be cleared for a few months before it came back again, stage 4. Everyone wanted to be able to do their part in

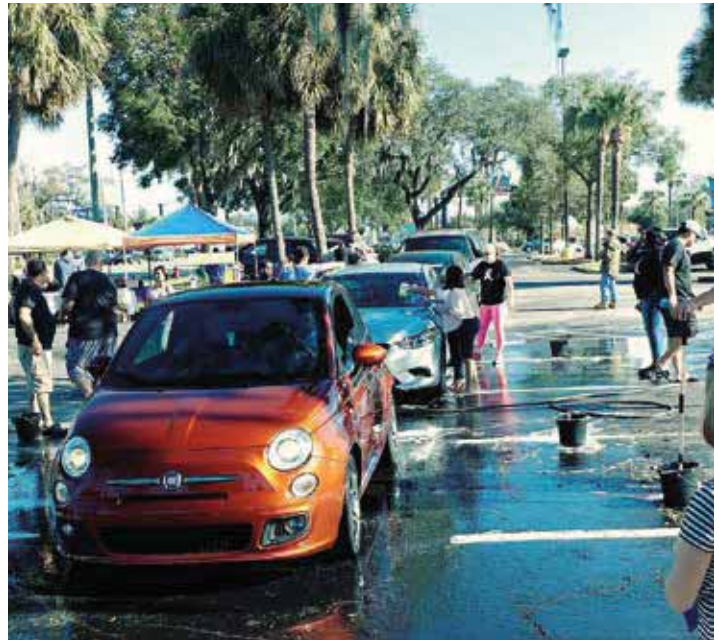
helping our co-worker and friend, so we hosted a car wash, bake sale, raffle and started a go fund me account. Everyone came together to donate supplies, help wash cars, bake something sweet to sell or just be there for support. The fundraiser was published in the local newspaper, visited by the Mayor and an overall huge success. Total proceeds to date have reached over \$7,000.

While nothing compares to the

awesomeness described above, Chapter 18 members have continued their partnership with Kiwanis Club of Ocala and the Marion County School Board, collecting hygiene items for homeless children in Marion County.

Several members have also found a fun way to support the community and stay fit by participating in local races/runs. In September members participated in the Weeki





Wachee Springs Mermaid Race. Proceeds from the race benefit the Friends of Weeki Wachee Springs State Park, who work to generate and create additional resources and support for the park. In November members participated in the Sangria 5k hosted by Island Grove Winery. Proceeds from the race benefit first responders in the local community-The Cross Creek Volunteer Fire Department.



Pictured in photo Left to Right:

**Donna Bolton, CPSO | George Harrison, CPSO**

**Denise Hall, Employment Specialist**

**Susan Kowalski, and Khalilah M. Escalera**  
Career Development Specialist

Reentry & Community Outreach Specialist; U.S.  
Attorney's Office-Middle District of Florida

## CHAPTER TWENTY PUERTO RICO DONATIONS

The island was devastated by Hurricane Maria with countless homes destroyed and residents suffering without food, water, power and shelter.

FCCD Chapter 20 would like to "Thank" Brevard County State Probation Offices: Cocoa, Melbourne and Titusville for donating items in Puerto Rico's time of need. Your generosity does not go unnoticed!

We would like to "Thank" Eastern Florida State College for letting us partner with them!

FCCD Chapter 20 Board

## BRINGING EMPLOYERS AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES TOGETHER

On November 7th, 2017 The Florida Department of Corrections, The Brevard County Re-entry Task Force, and FCCD Chapter 20 partnered bringing employers and community resources together to assist probationers. The successful event was held at the City of Refuge Christian Center in Cocoa, pastored by Sr. Pastor Bawanna Bostic. We had a total of 39 participants and 23 of them were on supervision.

One employer attending the event hired 75% of the probationers they interviewed. Community resources included Eastern State College, The Florida Department of Motor Vehicles, The Brevard County Clerk of the Courts, DCF, Vocational Rehab, CareerSource Brevard, and the Health Navigator. Due to the success of the event, discussions of holding quarterly Career and Community Resource events starting January 2018 were expressed.

## NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

October is Domestic Violence Month, and FCCD Chapter 20 would like to say "Thank You" to State Probation Offices in Cocoa, Melbourne, and Titusville Offices and friends as well as Melbourne Juvenile Justice for participating in this Community Service by donating supplies and personal hygiene products that are much needed for the Woman's Shelter: The Salvation Army Domestic Violence in Cocoa.

They really appreciated being remembered!

Thank You for Your Kindness,

Chapter 20 FCCD Board



## TRAINING: NETWORKING AND POLICING THE COMMUNITY



Sheriff Ivey spoke to FCCD Chapter 20 and guests at the Distinguish Service Awards Banquet on Wednesday August 16, 2017.

He shared how the Brevard County S.O. and local law enforcement agency's provide protection for approximately 561,000 citizens of Brevard County. He personally leads with strategic direction for 1,619 employees which consists of law enforcement deputies, correction deputies (County jail of 1,621 inmates), civilians, reserves and volunteers.

Sheriff Ivey and his management team established Brevard Sheriff TV, a Facebook account, Brevard Safe Kids Academy, Crime Prevention Task Force, DUI Car, Media Room, Brevard County Sheriff's Office App. and Time to Be a Parent Again. His leadership and vision

are focused on creating programs in which our communities and charites work very hard in partnership to generate success.

Sheriff Ivey is a motivator and compels those around him to unleash their hidden potentials to turn ideas into solutions to help the citizens of Brevard County.

His philosophy for his Brevard County agency is "it takes a community to protect a community!"

Chapter 20 thanks Sheriff Wayne Ivey for his professionalism which is not merely a job - BUT a calling and passion!

He has always encouraged our Chapter to continue serving the community; he has been with Chapter 20 since the reorganization in 2014.



## BREAST CANCER WALK

### DONNA MARTIN BOLTON

FCCD Chapter 20 would like to "thank" everyone who purchased the hot pink & black bracelets (people all over Central Florida are wearing them & 20 % of the proceeds will go to Breast Cancer Society). "Thanks" to all who were able to join us in the 3 mile walk in Viera on October 28, 2017!

It seems everyone I meet has

been affected by breast cancer or knows someone who has been affected or even passed on. I became involved 4 years ago when my sister in law was diagnosed with breast cancer and eventually lost the battle one year later. I will walk yearly, in memory of her and my friends who have lost loved ones to breast cancer.

I will always encourage woman to get their yearly mammograms. Please never say you're too busy, this is one of the most important decisions you make each year. I am the voice for my sister in law who would tell you, "you're never too busy or it could cost you your life".



## THE SPOT (A SPECIAL PLACE FOR OUR TEENS)

### DONNA MARTIN BOLTON

It was Friday June 30, 2017, around 5pm. The clouds were rolling in, the thunder began and rain was forthcoming! This is a typical Friday evening in the summer of Cocoa!

Around 6:30 pm I was on my way to Joe Lee Simpson Park in Cocoa. The weather was clearing up! I was thinking our God is so faithful! The SPOT on Friday nights is a special place to keep the teenagers off the streets in Brevard County. They are able to enjoy hanging out and or playing basketball in a safe environment. This is the happening SPOT all summer long (8 weeks) in Brevard County.

The night starts with Pastor Jarvis opening in prayer. The teenagers then break into their teams for the games to begin! While the games are playing, the gym is

packed and everyone is enjoying the love of basketball (they can play) with standing room only!

It was FCCD Chapter 20's night to cook burgers, hot dogs, and serve the 400 children, pre-teens, teenagers and parents too! It was a pleasure cooking and serving them! Words cannot express the satisfaction and fulfillment in each of our hearts that evening. We were told by one of cooks that was helping us, that this be the only meal some kids may eat for the next 24 hours. That really touched our hearts to be able to serve here this Friday night.

The community of Brevard County is very thankful to the Real Church for reaching out to the teenagers and youth of Brevard County. This is the 4th summer in doing so! We know it has made an impact in the

teenagers and youths of lives! This is a safe place on Friday nights.

FCCD Chapter 20 would like to thank the Real Church for letting us partner with them and help serve the youth of all ages for the past 4 summers!

# CHAPTER TWENTY ONE

## MY FIRST FCCD TRAINING INSTITUTE

**MARY WIDGEON**

Chapter 21 Secretary

I have always been the type of person who enjoyed helping others. I even volunteered when I was in high school to help raise money for the Salvation Army during Christmas time. I am one of those people who likes donate to charity when I have the ability. You honestly never know when you will be the person needing help, so I try my best to help others if I can. I have always wanted to make a difference but I haven't quite been able to figure out how until now. When my fellow Chapter 21 members first approached me about becoming a member, they told me that I would be able to help organize some charity events and truly make a

difference in the community. They also mentioned how we would attend quarterly meetings along with the Annual training and that it was a great learning experience. They also mentioned how fun the experience would be. I honestly thought it sounded too good to be true but I decided to give it a chance anyway.

This August, I attended the 88th Annual FCCD Training Institute. This was my first time attending the Institute and I must say, I truly enjoyed myself. I have always been eager to learn new things and I honestly learned a lot during the training. When most people hear that they have to go to training or take classes, they

think, "Oh my, this is going to be boring." This was definitely not the case. The Classes I attended were enlightening and very informational. The presenters for the classes I attended were amazing and did a wonderful job teaching the classes. I also won one of the door prizes which was an added bonus. I very rarely win anything and to have won a door prize my first time attending was amazing. I learned that I can make a difference in the community and this was the organization that was going to help me do so. I am now a firm believer in FCCD and I hope to remain a member for years to come.

# CHAPTER TWENTY EIGHT

## THE GIFT OF LIFE

It is said that there is no greater gift than the gift of life. For Chapter 28 (DeSoto County), we take this opportunity to give someone the life changing gift of blood as something of high importance. Chapter 28 has held many blood drives with the recent devastation of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria and the need for blood being greater than ever before. So, Chapter 28 has rallied together with 20 donations at a single time. We have been able to provide 18 units of blood with the ability to potentially help 54 patients. With this great giving spirit the future for Chapter 28 looks bright.





# CHAPTER THIRTY

## CHAPTER 30 NEWS

December 17, 2016 FCCD Chapter 30 challenged their FCCD members and all of the Hernando County Detention Center staff to reach deep and assist the Salvation Army to make sure less fortunate children have a gift on Christmas morning. Through prior planning, an Angel Tree was placed in the Training room and approximately 70 Angel tags were hung with care, hoping big hearted people would soon be there. And they did come. Staff members along with their family members shopped and shopped to show their support to the children for a special Christmas gift.

There were no faces or names that came with those presents. There were no pats on the backs oratta boys, just pure love and caring hearts giving the gift of love. When the folks from the Salvation Army arrived to pick up the toys, they were amazed at the amount of sharing and caring that came from, of all places, a jail? Who would have thought that would ever happen? There certainly is such a thing as Christmas miracles.

It does not matter what the season, what the reason, I find FCCD members have the most caring, loving hearts of any organization I have had the privilege to participate in. Take a moment and reflect as we proceed this coming year through our chapter

challenges, state challenges and our own personal challenges.

Once again Chapter 30 has placed our Salvation Army tree in the Training room, it has only been there 2 days but numerous Angel tags have already mysteriously disappeared to be filled for the children on Christmas morning. May your days be merry and bright, Happy Holidays from Chapter 30, President, Julie Satre



# CHAPTER THIRTY ONE

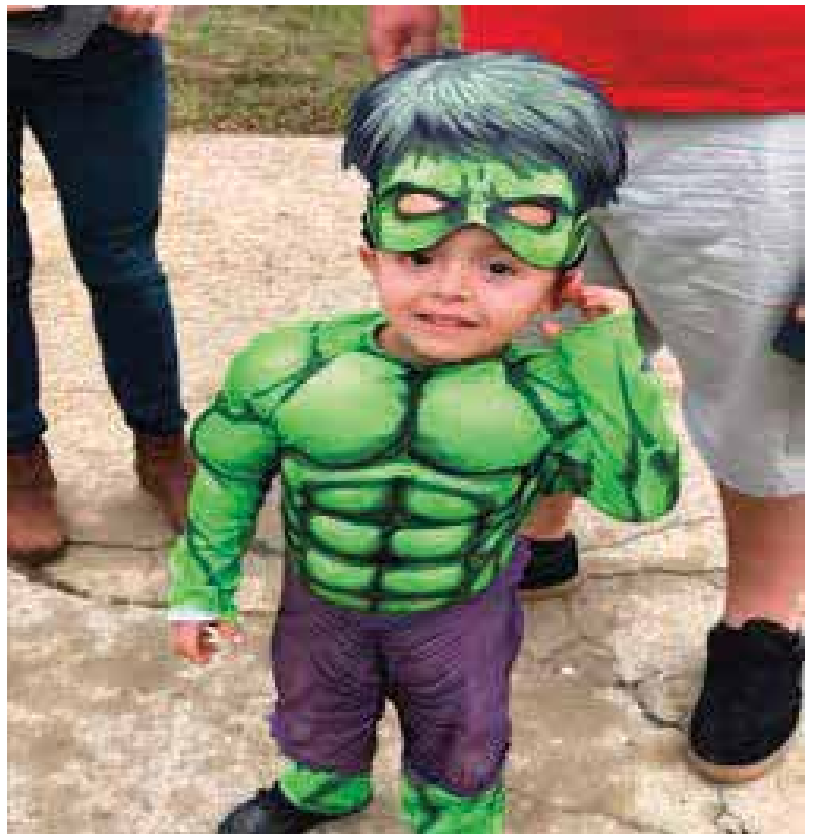
## BLOOD DRIVE

FCCD Chapter 31 has hosted blood drives at Sumter Correctional Institution in the months of August and November. All staff were encouraged to “Bleed for your TEAM”. The average donation was 30 donors and each received recognition items and free cholesterol screening. Each donor realizes the fulfilling, powerful and enriching experience that saves lives. GO TEAM!



## FALL FESTIVAL

A FREAKISHLY good time! Superheroes, princesses, minions and more came out to the FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL. Pumpkin painting was the hit of the party. Children and adults alike appeared in costumes and participated in Halloween games, great food and good old fashioned Trick or Treating. Canned food and non-perishable items were donated in support of the FCCD Chapter 31 Thanksgiving Basket Donations. Many thanks to Sgt. M. Schoenauer for hosting and Col. (ret) and AWP Woodard for cooking! A good time was had by all!



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# ALICE B. SIMS FOR STATE SECRETARY



**D**epartment of Juvenile Justice's (DJJ), Assistant Secretary for Prevention Services, Alice Sims is a 25-year veteran in state, city and county government with expertise in juvenile justice and youth services. She also served as the Health Administration Services Manager, a probation officer, director of intern/volunteers, contract manager and contract/procurement administrator with the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice.

During her career at DJJ, Alice has been instrumental in designing and developing prevention and early intervention programs

both regionally and statewide. She has extensive experience in creating, implementing and managing mentoring programs as well as working with community stakeholders such as law enforcement, faith-based partners and prevention program providers.

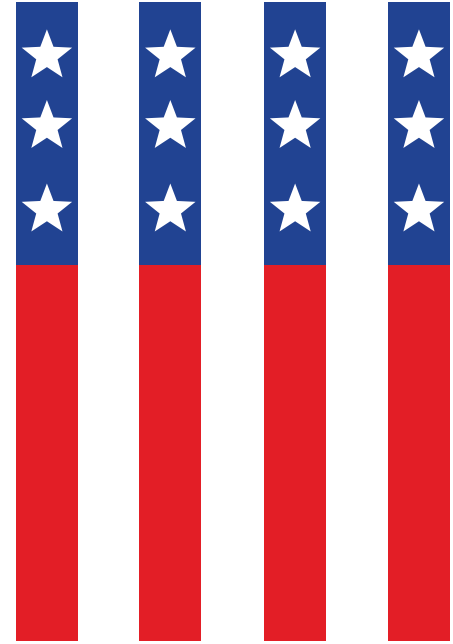
Assistant Secretary Sims and the Office of Prevention Services team has partnered with F.C.C.D. as they host DJJ G.A.A.P. (Gaining Appreciation by Adjusting Perspectives) Discussions around the State of Florida. These discussions were designed to provide a forum for youth to foster a more positive relationship with law enforcement and create a well-balance understanding by law enforcement of today's youth.

Alice is very involved in the community statewide and in the local Tallahassee community. She is the co-founder of the Capital City Christian Cruisers (CCCC) with her husband Ernie, Jr. The CCCC is a component of The WAY Ministries, a community based organization dedicated to meeting the spiritual, social and physical needs of young people and their families, and has served thousands of local at-risk youth since its inception in 1994. She is also a director and board member of the Ernie Sims Big HITS Foundation and has been instrumental in impacting over 5000 youth and families since its inception in 2008. The foundation has provided scholarships to student-athletes and sports camps

to youth in the Big Bend area for 10 years.

**I**n January 2015, she was presented with the Champion of Service Award by Governor Rick Scott and Volunteer Florida for her outstanding volunteer efforts with the CCCC. In November 2015, she received the Girl Scouts Women of Distinction Award for her community service to local youth. She recently received an award from the Department of Health's Faith Based Day of Dialogue on Minority Health and the Juvenile Justice Distinguished Service Award from the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency on both state and local levels.

Alice and her husband of 34 years, Ernest, lives in Tallahassee and have two (2) children. She was a 7-Time All-American in track and field at Florida State University and is a certified personal trainer and fitness guru with a passion for health, fitness and wellness.



# RICK

# ORZECHOWSKI

## FOR STATE SECRETARY

**I** have the skills necessary to become your next secretary. I have motivation, drive and experience. I have been a member of FCCD for 15 years and have been a member of the Executive Board for the past 6 years, putting on several golf tournaments and assisting Rob Lingus. I also have also been assigned to the Security team. I was the Vice President at Polk CI Chapter 12 until I retired. Professionally, I retired from the Florida Department of Corrections as a Major in 2013 and have worked at several prisons and Central Office before retirement. I am also the Commander at the American Legion post where I am a member.

**A Skillful Communicator:** I am truthful and honest. I am known for my ability to stay calm and polite when dealing with frustrated individuals and I always interact with others in a professional, respectful manner. I have shown my

communication skills by raising funds for the FCCD golf tournament and keeping the costs as low as possible so the members could enjoy a day at the golf course.

**A Trusted Employee:** I have been privy to confidential company information and can be trusted to keep inside knowledge to myself. Even accidental disclosure of sensitive data can cause major damage to a company, so I always practice discretion. I have built up a trust in the past presidents by following through on tasks they have assigned to me at the past conferences.

**I Maintain Order:** It's a secretary's job to keep the President organized. They file important documents, arrange travel, coordinate schedules, ensures expenses are paid and keeps track of many other important details. I have excellent organizational skills and can maintain order. As a member of the security team I

was given many tasks to perform and did so in a confident manner

**I am Reliable:** I have prided myself on being on time and I always get the job done. I am extremely reliable. I have arrived early and stayed late to ensure the job was finished. During the conferences and board meetings I was entrusted with expensive sound equipment and made sure it was secured and set up properly.

**I am Technically Adept:** I have good computer skills and although I do not type quickly I do get the job done. I can help the President create presentations, submit work orders, and much more.

I am a hard worker: I have proven over the past decade that I will work hard for the members of FCCD as I have worked tirelessly to ensure we succeed in all our endeavors. I am also a team player and strive to live up to this creed, "Work hard and you will be rewarded."

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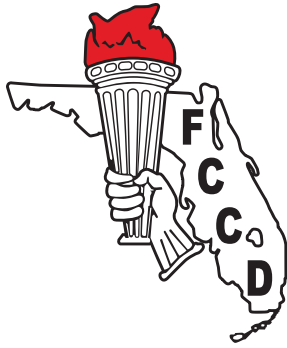
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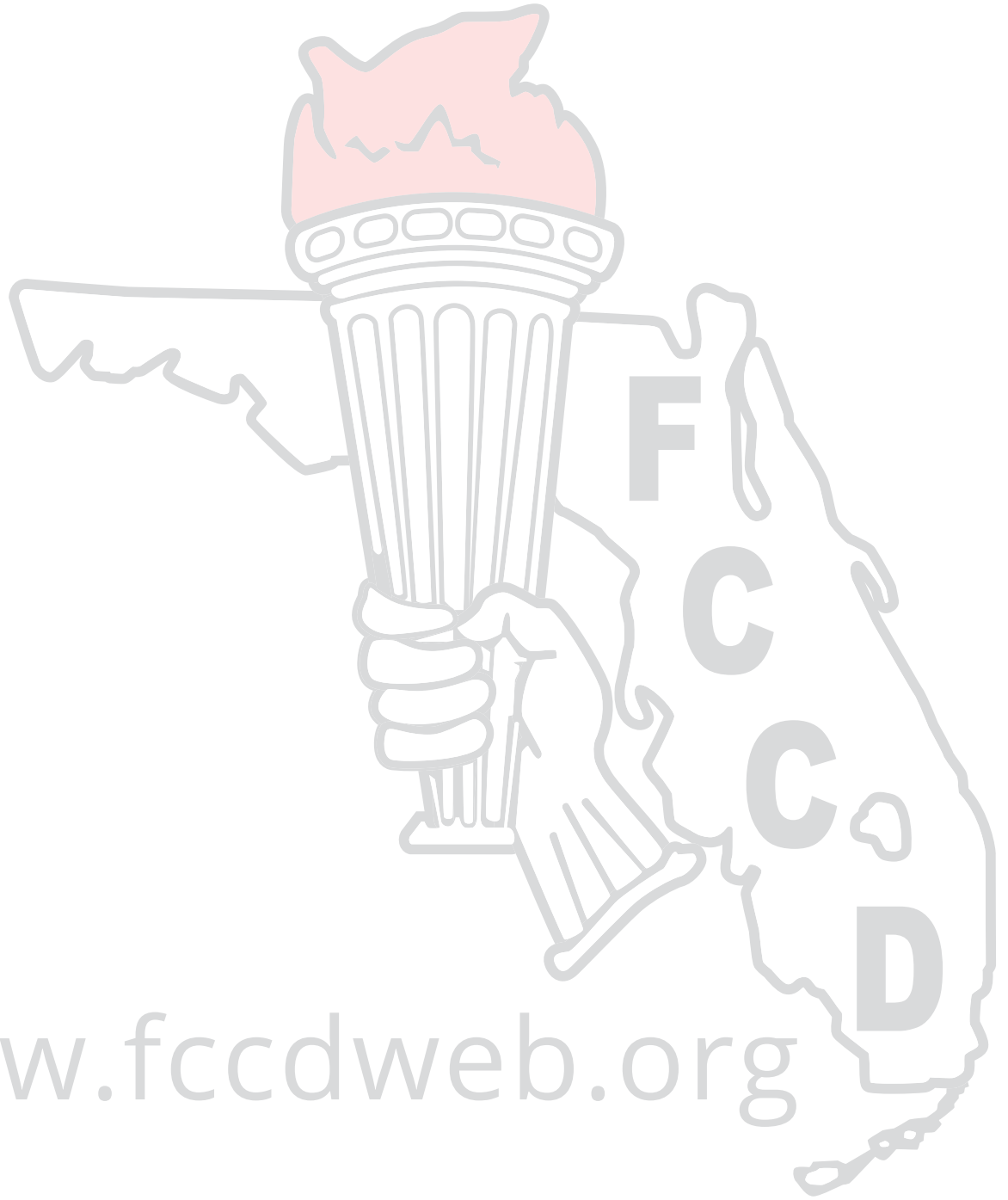
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