

APRIL 2022

GIRLS COORDINATING COUNCIL

of Palm Beach County



It's officially Spring! Often symbolic of rebirth and renewal, this season offers opportunity for new growth. We entered the 2022 year with many accomplishments underway and with that, this year has been off to a great start! We appreciate the opportunity to share and celebrate with you the great work of the Girls Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County.

This quarter, the GCC developed the final draft of our logic model. Thank you to the entire Council for your feedback and participation in this effort. The logic model provides a picture of how our community collaborative works and can also serve as a blueprint for current and future Girls Coordinating Councils in other communities.

Soon, we will celebrate our 2-year anniversary as the GCC of Palm Beach County. We are in the planning phase for two exciting events that will take place in October 2022 including a 5K Walk/Run and Symposium. These events will not only highlight the work of the Council, but they also serve as platforms to further engage, learn from, and celebrate girls in our community. Thank you to our Event Planning Committee for your support with organizing these events!

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the GCC, we express our great appreciation for your continued support. We look forward to working alongside you as we create more opportunities for success for all youth in Palm Beach County.

UPDATES

2022 UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

NETWORK ANALYSIS RESEARCH

GIRLS VOICE TASKFORCE

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHTS

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2022 Dates



MEETINGS

- April 14th
- May 12th
- June 9th
- July 14th
- August 11th
- September 8th
- December 10th

EVENTS

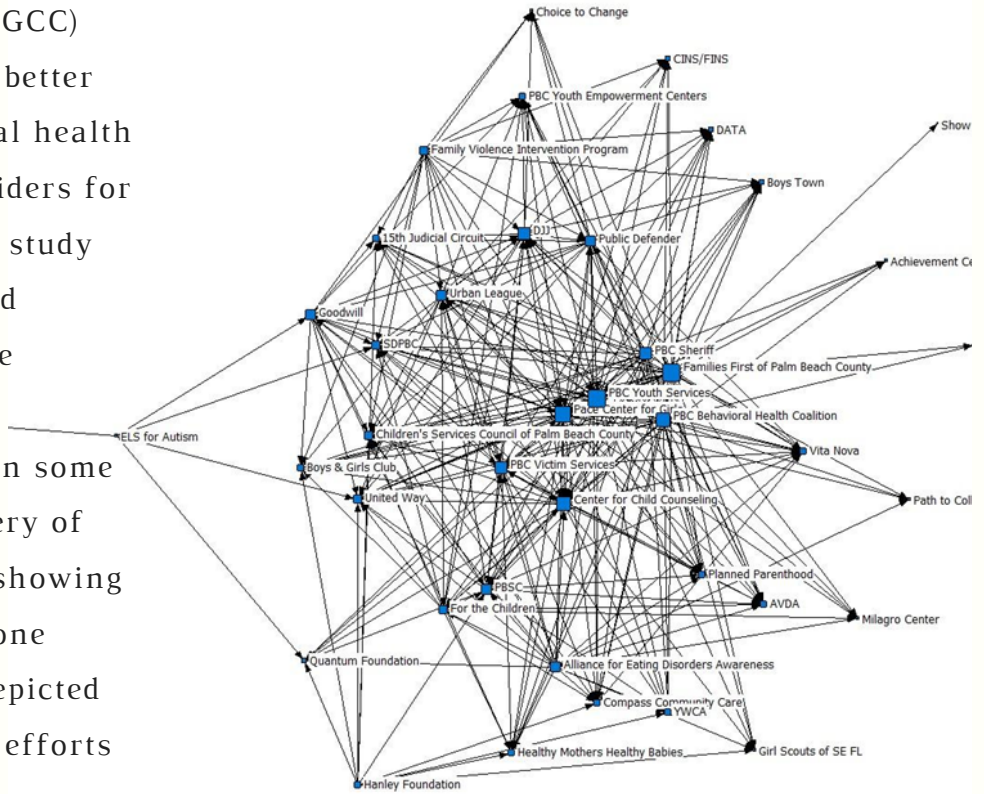
- October 8th - 5KWak/Run
- October 14th - Symposium

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84646918673?pwd=QmsvVyt2dER3SzZ2VytLRGFhN2hWUT09>

Network Analysis

The Girls Coordinating Council (GCC) conducted a network analysis to better understand the network of mental health and juvenile justice service providers for girls in Palm Beach County. The study found that there is generally good connectivity and centrality in the network, with opportunities to strengthen collaborations between some key organizations on the periphery of the network. The network map, showing which organizations work with one another to provide services, is depicted below. The GCC is implementing efforts to increase collaboration among organizations and will repeat the study in August. In addition to repeating the study in August, the GCC is planning a new study to examine administrative burdens families face when trying to access juvenile justice and mental health services for girls. The GCC will continue to share the findings of the network analysis.



We would like to thank everyone for their participation in the research project. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rebecca Entress at Rebecca.entress@pacecenter.org.

GIRLS VOICE TASKFORCE

The GVTF Leadership Lab meets on the first Thursday of every month at 6pm. Over the past few months the GVTF members have worked to develop a Mission & Vision Statement. Below is the Mission & Vision Statement created by GVTF members and quotes from members about GVTF. We continue to take applications for new members.



Invite a girl you know to fill out the

[GVTF APPLICATION!](#)

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

During the first quarter of 2022 the GCC spotlighted three community partners:

- The Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida discussed their Becoming Me curriculum based on Michelle Obama's book. If you're interested in starting a troop contact KBenson@gssef.org
- Vita Nova shared about their employment development program. If you would like more information contact RJohnson@vitanovainc.org
- The United Way presented on their mentoring initiative and three hubs throughout Palm Beach County, for more information contact Gary Graham at 561-375-6638



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