



Stakeholder meeting 2

July 10, 2024

Agenda

1. Ground rules
2. Alliance overview
3. Recap of the June 5 meeting
4. Progress on short-term priorities
5. Available funding
6. Breakout session

Ground Rules

- Treat everyone with respect and understanding.
- Be aware of using graphic language and examples when speaking about gun violence.
- Take space, give space - allow everyone to have a voice.
- If you do feel triggered by the discussion, please do what you need to take care of yourself.

Alliance Overview

The City of Gainesville, Alachua County, and Santa Fe College formed the Community Gun Violence Prevention Alliance (“the alliance”) in May 2024. The City of Gainesville and Alachua County declared gun violence a public health crisis. This informs a data and research-driven approach to develop effective policies and strategies to prevent injury, disease, and death, and promote health and well-being. The alliance will cooperate and strengthen efforts to address gun violence, improve outcomes for survivors and those at risk, and spearhead a collaborative group of community stakeholders. The alliance is planning monthly meetings to ensure that the initiatives’ momentum is maintained. [The notes for the first meeting are available.](#)

Objectives

The alliance has three broad objectives:

1. Cooperate and strengthen efforts to address gun violence.
2. Improve outcomes for survivors and those at risk.
3. Spearhead a collaborative group of community stakeholders

Goal and Purpose

The goal of the alliance is to identify solutions and strategies to reduce and prevent gun violence and violent crime in the community.

The alliance intends to reach this goal by:

1. Supporting the expansion of existing evidence-based or evidence-informed community violence and gun violence prevention and intervention programs.
2. Continuing timely surveillance of firearm related homicides and assaults and building a data dissemination plan to share with stakeholders involved in public health prevention strategies and interventions.
3. Maintaining a trauma-informed approach as the foundation of all prevention and intervention efforts.

Party Roles

- Increase the effectiveness and coordination of gun violence prevention services through enhanced communication and collaboration.
- Funding for the Alliance program budget will be provided by the City and the County.
- The Parties are not creating a joint venture or enterprise with respect to this collaborative approach, rather they are organizing their respective roles associated with the delivery of gun violence prevention services.

SWOT analysis results

The SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis performed at the June 5 meeting resulted in a few overarching themes:

1. Funding availability is perceived as a strength, a weakness, an opportunity, and a threat. There is drive and funding for smaller, short-term projects, but there is a lack of funding for larger, longer-term projects. We could address some of this by advertising grant-funding opportunities and providing grant-writing training.
2. The lack of collaboration and sharing of data and resources is a weakness and a threat, but may be turned into a strength and an opportunity. The alliance was formed to address this.
3. The engagement of local communities, particularly youth, people with lived experience, and faith leaders is imperative. The alliance invited additional stakeholders to this meeting. If anyone knows of additional individuals or organizations that should be involved, please contact the alliance at lissa.rawls@sfcollge.edu or asha.brunings@sfcollge.edu.

Priorities identified at the June 5 meeting	
Short-term	Medium-term
Involve and invite youth, community partners, people with lived experiences.	Coordinate programs to maximize support and reduce redundancy.
Prepare a resource/asset map of available summer programs.	Listen to communities affected the most by gun violence.
What is IMPACT GNV doing, how can stakeholders help, support, and engage?	Engage law enforcement in new and innovative ways.
	Economic development – youth jobs.

Summer camps that still have space

We presented a table with summer camps during the meeting, but the table was incomplete. The updated information is below and current as of 7/12/2024.

Summer 2024 camps with available spots			
Camp	Dates	Cost	Age/grade
300 Club	July 3 - July 28	\$140 - \$145 Per week or \$35 - \$40 per day	5 - 18 yo
Academy Summer Camp	June 5 - July 31	\$138 - \$240 per week	pre-k - 8 th grade
Adventures in Play	July - August	\$61-\$76 Per Week	1 st - 5 th grade
Archery Camp	July 1 - August 1	\$200 for 3 half days, \$275 for 3 days, or \$350 for 4 days	8 - 16 yo

Camp Crystal	July 7 - August 2	\$600 for 1 week or \$1440 for 2 weeks	2 nd - 9 th grade
Camp Sunny	July 1 - August 8	\$217 - \$368 for full week or \$133 - \$225 for 3 days	6 th grade +
Camp Sunny Jr.	July 1 - August 8	\$234 - \$394 for full week or \$145 - \$236 for 3 days	2.5 - 5 yo
Camp Sunny Specialty Camp	July 1 - August 8	\$445 - \$522 for full week or \$475 - \$556 for swim camp	6 th grade+
Cuscowilla	Weekly; Limited Spots	\$150/wk Day Camps; \$175/wk Specialty Camps	Depends on the Week
Fear Facers Camp	July	\$75 + \$450 per week	
Funworks Summer Camp	June 3-?	\$189.95/week + tax, or \$46.95/day + tax	5 - 12 yo
Gator Junior Golf Camp	July 22 - July 25	\$150 per camp	7+ yo
Master Builder Camps	July	\$215-\$265 per session	5 - 17 yo
O2B Kids	?	?	1 st grade+
Oaks Hall summer camp	June 3 - July 26	\$1440-\$2675	pre-k - 9 th grade
Okito Summer Camp	Weekly	Varies; \$179/wk, \$99/hwk, \$49/day, \$194/wk + FT, \$15/wkft	
Southwind	Private	Price Depends Upon Party Reservation	Youth & Adults
Summer Riding Camp	July 8 - August 2	\$25 + \$395 per week	5+ yo
Teen Life	July - August	\$61-\$76 Per Week	6 th - 8 th grade
YMCA Summer camp	July 14 - August 10	\$1000 per session	11 th - 12 th

Current Efforts

- Engage stakeholders for Gun Violence Prevention Month
 - Support the creation of a gun violence harm-reduction handbook for youth
 - Create access to gun locks to promote gun safety practices
 - Promote Be SMART messaging
- Host Crisis Intervention and De-escalation trainings for community members and organizations in partnership with Alachua County Crisis Center
- Community Care Callouts
- One Nation One Project GNV
- Explore grant funding opportunities in collaboration with GPD and other partners
 - 'On Sight' - Performance and discussion based initiative centered on youth and gun violence.
- Alachua Co Victim Services in collaboration with GFR and Impact GNV and local orgs "Fun For Peace" event in the Fall

Youth Steering Committee

- Build on the work of One Nation One Project and expand the current youth steering committee to address our continuing efforts to combat gun violence.
- The goals of the youth steering committee
 - Understand the data from ONOP and how that can be used to further prevention initiatives
 - Help us better understand what programs and activities can be implemented in our city and county to impact gun violence.
- Looking for 7-10 youth participants
 - 16-24 years old
 - Interested in informing programming and initiatives related to gun violence prevention and intervention.
 - Able to dedicate up to 1.5-2 hours per month
 - Can commit to 1 year of service
- Next Steps

Funding Opportunities

- \$140,000 available/\$15,000 max per award - RFA is open now through 7/31/2024
- Targeting grass roots and emerging entities to fund capacity building and infrastructure
- Funding categories are:
 - quality healthcare
 - adequate food
 - safe affordable housing
 - quality childcare and education
- Can be used to target gun violence via program or services that fit one of the above categories
- Apply at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/alachuacounty/projects/92515>

Gun Violence Prevention and Intervention Small Grants *Under Development*

- \$50,000 initially available/\$10,000 max per award
- Use public health model risk and protective factors to propose pilot programs and evidence-based programs.
- Funding categories are primary prevention, secondary prevention/intervention and tertiary prevention/intervention
- Funding would be available for use in FY 2025
- Under development – looking for feedback from stakeholders

Children’s Trust of Alachua County Funding Opportunity

At a joint CTAC/County Commission meeting in May, the Children’s Trust made a motion to dedicate \$250k in funding toward gun violence efforts, which recommended that County and City Staff work jointly to present a proposal for use of the funds. We brainstormed potential ideas for that funding in breakout rooms. The results are summarized on the next page.

Breakout Room Results

What areas or topics should the alliance prioritize for funding?

- Community Engagement
- County-wide & country-wide partnerships
- Education
- Family engagement
- Free after school/summer programming
- Grantmakers/Funders need to offer ample training and TA/office hours to support those preparing proposals
- Gun safety/gun locks-- Programs and training
- Gun Violence Youth Forum (August 9)
- Incentives for youth that address the problems that occur during down/idle time
- Initiatives with vetted partners → Gun violence forum for youth interrupters
- Jobs & opportunities for teens
- Learn through play–eSports, social media, sports
- Learning alternatives
- Mental Health–if possible, focus on the cause–why?
- More Camp Crystal
- Proactive vs. reactive initiatives
- Recovery
- SNAP

- Start with young children
- Trauma-informed care & mental Health if possible, focus on the cause–why?

Which age group should be prioritized for the County's small grant program?

- Most groups supported high school students (ages 16 and up), followed by middle school students (ages 12-15), although some groups urged us to start young and target elementary school-aged children (3rd grade and up)

What type of application assistance would be helpful?

- More grant-writing workshops
- Grantmakers/Funders need to offer ample training and TA/office hours to support those preparing proposals
- Technical assistance
- Language Barriers
- Simple, straightforward funding applications
- Professional grant writer(s)
- Resources to write grants
- Researcher to find grants
- Connecting the organization to the impacted area
- Bold program

Strategic plan

We polled attendees to ask whether they thought we should set up a strategic (long-term) plan.

Most participants said yes, we need one, and we should start on it in the next 6 months.