



Community Gun Violence
Prevention Alliance

Stakeholders Meeting Report

August 14, 2024, 5:00-6:30 pm

Agenda

1. Ground rules
2. Recap of the July 10 meeting
3. Update on CTAC funding
4. Program updates
5. Breakout session: RFP

Links to Previous Meeting Reports

[June 5, 2024](#)

[July 10, 2024](#)

Update on CTAC funding

On August 12, the Children's Trust of Alachua County Board approved the rollover of \$250,000 from fiscal year 24 (FY24) to the FY 25 budget, which resulted in a total of \$500,000 for the FY 25 budget. We are continuing conversations with CTAC to develop a plan for review in September.

Program Updates

IMPACT GNV summer updates included information on the B.O.L.D. Program, Willie Mae Stokes Center, Crisis De-escalation Classes, Gun Lock Blitz, and the County Small Grants Program Updates.

One Nation, One Project GNV held its final event. More than 750 attendees joined at the Cotton Club Museum and Cultural Center and Depot Part for the summer YOUth! Celebration.

The youth steering committee will present (will have presented, by the time you read this) their gun violence analysis and solutions to the Gainesville City Commission on August 15. The committee is currently in transition. The application process is under review, flyers and marketing for new member recruitment are under development.

Current Alliance Efforts

Website: 3 website design proposals are under review

For Strategic Plan outsourcing we are in contact with 3 companies: [Axioun Strategic Planning](#), [DPI, LLC.](#), and [Partners in Association Management](#), two of which ask us for a request for proposal (RFP), which will be our group activity for this meeting.

Additional announcements and program updates will be attached to these meeting notes.

Breakout session: RFP

Since we are planning this, what should we look for in an external company that will help us write the strategic plan? Groups discussed the following 4 topics:

1. Organizational values
2. Types of past experiences and clients
3. What should community engagement look like?
4. Any additional considerations.

Breakout Session Results

<p>Organizational values</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action-oriented.• Community Engagement• Ethical.• Importance of relationships within communities.• Inclusive.• Innovation for challenging social problems.• Locally based, in some form• Moderate message, politically neutral.• New, innovative ideas• Respectful of the individuals impacted as important stakeholders in the process.• Serve family groups, focus on women and children.• Umbrella—different categories.• Understanding underlying causes.	<p>Types of past experience and clients</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examples of fundraising for similar initiatives.• Examples of successes, not just plans, specifically with young people.• Health department access/community experience and outreach.• Judicial experience.• Mental health focus.• Past experience working with other government entities and other non-profits (community organizations).• Research and data driven.• Social issues.• The right target audience.• Understands Gainesville and North Central Florida.• Victim services.• Wealth, public health model.
<p>What should community engagement look like?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All ages, but youth have a seat at the table.• Be representative of the community and include engagement.• Hands-on: get your hands dirty.• Have food available.• In person and online.• In the community: churches, schools.• Transportation provided.• Victims and survivors involved.	<p>Any additional considerations?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cost.• Partner violence/D.V.• Gun suicide awareness.• Include school board—lessons-person/committee.• Community outreach for witnessing gun violence.• Secure storage.• Continuously youth-led or youth-focused.• Short-term and long-term plans.• Who will evaluate the results of their work?• Represent the multiple groups of ages and perspectives• Other options could be something like a “Council of Elders.”

Stakeholder Announcements

Santa Fe College (SF) Chief of Police, Ed Book, shared the story and pictures of the Youth Forum held at SF on August 9 for justice-involved youth. Many community organizations participated in this event and served about 25 youth. The event was generously funded by the Children's Trust of Alachua County with in-kind funding from participating partners. The youth each received a "passport" in which they collected stamps after every activity. If they collected all the available stamps, they received community service hours credit for the day.

Amanda Goldsmith, Everytown Survivor Fellow, shared the following:

Thank you for all you both are doing for the community. As promised, here is the link to the [Everytown Survivor Network](#) and the Survivor Fellowship application.

The application window to apply for 2025 Cohort of Everytown Survivor Fellowship is open until Saturday, August 31.

We invite you to share this information with anyone you think would find it meaningful to participate in this program.

How to Apply:

Anyone interested in applying should read the attached FAQ doc and complete both steps below no later than Saturday, Aug 31:

- Complete 2025 Survivor Fellowship Application (should not take longer than 1 hour)
- Send A Recommendation Letter to fellowship@everytown.org
 - The **letter should be written by a leader in the applicant's community** or someone with whom the applicant has worked closely about why they would be a good fit for this program.
 - Please be sure to include the **applicant name and reference the 2025 Fellowship Application** in the subject line.

[2025 Everytown for Gun Safety Survivor Fellowship Application](#)

Brandy Stone, Community Health Director, shared the following (unfortunately, the registration deadline has since passed, but the information is included for completeness' sake).

Gainesville Fire Rescue and the Alachua County Crisis Center are excited to invite you to our community's first ever Trauma-Informed Care Symposium: Understanding the Impact of Trauma on Our Community! Join us for an insightful day featuring local subject matter experts in social and health care services. As professionals in these fields, we recognize the profound effects of trauma on individuals and the community at large. This event will provide a unique opportunity to connect, share knowledge,

and explore how we can support the health and well-being of our community by holding space and maintaining curiosity about the many ways trauma influences lives.

The event will be held **on Friday August 23rd from 9am-3pm at the Alachua County Agriculture and Equestrian Center (23100 W Newberry Rd in Newberry, FL)**. You can view more information and [register here](#).

Registration is limited to 100 people and will close at 5pm on Friday 8/16. Lunch will be provided. We highly encourage individuals to stay for the entire day, if possible. Feel free to share with other providers or members of your team who you feel will benefit.

The schedule for the day is as follows:

- 9-9:30am: Welcome and Introduction
- 9:30-10:15am: Adverse Childhood Experiences
- 10:30-11:15am: Substance use and trauma
- 11:15am-12:00pm: Networking Lunch (Provided)
- 12:00-12:45pm: Marginalized Identities and trauma
- 12:45-1:30pm: Youth mental health
- 1:45-2:30pm: Self-Care for Providers
- 2:30-3:00pm: Alachua County's Continuum of Crisis Care

Feel free to reach out to myself or Alachua County Crisis Center Director Ali Martinez with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!



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UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT OF TRAUMA ON OUR COMMUNITY




23 AUGUST 2024
9AM-3PM

JOIN US FOR A SYMPOSIUM FEATURING LOCAL SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS IN SOCIAL AND HEALTHCARE SERVICES. WE RECOGNIZE THE EFFECTS OF TRAUMA ON INDIVIDUALS AND THE COMMUNITY. THIS EVENT WILL PROVIDE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO CONNECT, SHARE KNOWLEDGE, AND EXPLORE HOW WE CAN SUPPORT THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF OUR COMMUNITY.

Alachua County Agriculture and Equestrian Center
23100 W Newberry Rd | Newberry, FL

View Session Details and Register Here!



bit.ly/ACTraumaSymposium





Alachua County Crisis Center

WRITING OUR OWN STORY OF WELLNESS AND HEALING

A **FREE** virtual mental health symposium available to the public in honor of Suicide Prevention Month

September 16-18 via Zoom

Free Registration:
<https://wkf.ms/46JHHWT>

