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The South County Community Council (SCCC) is a diverse citizen advisory group maximizing consumer participation by identifying community strengths, trends, and needs; developing potential solutions; and advocating on behalf of children and families in South Pinellas County. The SCCC members keep in touch with the needs through gathering data and studying best practices; reaching out to community residents; and then advocate for change by providing this information to the JWB. Meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 3:30-5:00 PM, normally at the Gulfport Neighborhood Center, 1617-49th Street South in Gulfport, FL 33707.

SCCC Work Plan Areas:

- 1. Expand awareness of the purpose of the SCCC and the mission of the JWB.
- 2. Increase provider presentations to the SCCC to maintain current awareness of available programs and service partnerships within the SCCC area that impact children and families
- 3. Connect the school and community agencies to enhance scholars' education and school community relationships.
- 4. Build stronger families by increasing family and community knowledge around affordable housing, financial sustainability and access to nutritious meals in the SCCC area.

SCCC Work plan FY 2018 – 2020

- > SCCC will focus on increasing participation in the SCCC and public awareness of the JWB, the JWB Collective Impact Initiatives, and services that are provided throughout the SCCC service area
 - ❖ Increase active membership of the council by 5 members to reflect individuals and groups that represent the South County community to include youth, parents, neighborhoods, municipalities, law enforcement and other interested groups during the 2018 fiscal year
 - ❖ Participate in a variety of community activities that support children and the agencies and services intended to support them. Each member of the SCCC will commit to discussing the SCCC existence, goals and mission at one community venue a month. These should be casual, informal connections made to encourage participation.
 - Utilize the Open Agenda as opportunity to share and update council members, providers and community stakeholders on events, issues, resources and needs on an ongoing basis.
- > SCCC will build stronger families by increasing family and community knowledge around affordable housing, financial sustainability, and access to nutritious meals
 - To facilitate connecting families and community to existing programs (i.e. POC, Eco Village, Sustainable Families, New Deal St. Pete and Homeless Leadership Board).

❖ Inform, research, and ensure regular updates are provided in order to advocate and support families within SCCC service area

> SCCC will connect school and community agencies to enhance scholars' education and community

- ❖ Facilitate a scholars' access to caring and committed mentors that reflected the population of the school.
- ❖ Facilitate agency partnerships with schools to enhance current programs and academic success aligned with the vision of the Administration
- ❖ Facilitate family access to school/community programs to enhance academic success for children i.e. family literacy programs, gifted programs access, and others

> SCCC will continue Parental Engagement Efforts

- Monitor measurable data from Pinellas county school through the office of Strategic Partnerships Family and Community Relations
- Serve as a catalyst in an advisory capacity to support Parental Engagements efforts within Pinellas County Schools