

Building a Community that Supports the Success of Children

THE ROUNDTABLE REVIEW

September 2018 Issue

A Message From The Director:

What a summer for our community and Roundtable partners! The Roundtable Board Retreat, facilitated by Faith James, Brand Strategist of The Personal Branding Consultancy, LLC, led the members through a branding session for the Roundtable. In recent years the Roundtable has been enlarging its footprint in the community through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency funded Restoring the Village Youth Initiative and its implementation of the Comprehensive Gang Model, the Office of National Drug Control Policy's funded Drug Free St. Lucie, as well as the expansion of our networks, which continue to impact youth outcomes in our community. National as well as State recognition of these efforts have created the need for the Roundtable to revisit its vision, mission, organizational values and ultimately, its "branding". As a model organization, there is a tremendous opportunity for replication and future funding opportunities to impact positive outcomes for youth in our community as well as other communities addressing youth development. Stay tuned for the big reveal.

The Roundtable Steering Committee and community partners also participated in a half day "Implicit Biased Retreat". The Retreat was highly interactive, well attended and eye-opening for the participants. See page 6 for details. The Steering Committee recommended a full day retreat for a deeper dive of Implicit Bias and to learn strategies for enhancing the community efforts to impact youth and families in our community. A full day retreat is scheduled for October 22, 2018. The Roundtable board members and their staff, Steering Committee members and community partners are welcome. Keep a look out for the Save the Date.

The transition from summer into the new school year was also spectacular. The Department of Juvenile Justice Back to School Bash was an awesome event and provided much needed supplies and resource information to youth and families in our community. Finally, we would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" to all of the Roundtable members and our community partners who dedicated staff and volunteers to support the Kids at Hope Tunnels throughout the community and making them a great success this year. Check out the photos on pages 2-4.

Let's continue the momentum we have into this new year. As we continue our work together, greater things lay ahead for our beautiful community.

Best,

Teresa Bishop







Over 20 schools celebrated the start of the new school year by welcoming back students with a Tunnel of Hope!

The Roundtable of St. Lucie County is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization comprised of agencies working together with partners and stakeholders throughout the community to address the issues our children face at the root level. Its members are leaders of all aspects of society who come together to build a community of opportunity where every child succeeds.

The Roundtable operates through networks, each of which focuses on key aspects that affect the lives of our children.





The 2018 - 2019 school year in St Lucie County is off to a roaring start. Students were greeted at more than 20 of the schools in our school district to cheers of "you rock", "you are awesome", "have a great day", "you can do it" and many other positive sayings. Many of the students saw men and women dressed in their uniforms waving signs, giving high fives and warm hugs. The Tunnels were lined with law enforcement vehicles and fire rescue vehicles as well. The community of St Lucie County displayed tremendous support for our students, school staff, and parents.

Kids at Hope expanded the boundaries of the Tunnels of Hope to include one Charter School, a Virtual School, and a Faith Based Community School. The message of Kids at Hope is spreading throughout the county.

The Roundtable would like to thank all board members and their agencies that volunteered to participate in the Tunnels of Hope. A big and energetic thank you to coaches and players of the IRSC Women's Basketball and Softball team. The Tunnels of Hope could not have been successful without the generosity of citizens of St Lucie County. Once again Thank You and let's drive home the Kids at Hope Pledge: All children are capable of success- NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!!







Kids at Hope Summer Activities

The Kids at Hope staff was extremely busy sharing the message of Hope in our community this summer. Kids at Hope participated in numerous activities sponsored by several community partners. The community events included the Juneteenth Parade & Fun Day, Back to School Expo school supplies give-a-away, Unity in the Community Event, the DJJ Sponsored Back to School Event, and the training of all of the School Resource Deputies. Kids at Hope is on the move in St Lucie County!





Youth Leadership St. Lucie

What a GREAT year we've had with the members of Youth Leadership St. Lucie 2017-2018! We are working feverishly to wrap up some amazing projects before welcoming new members to the team.

In Fort Pierce, the youth are putting the finishing touches on their Photo Voice exhibit around the topic of Teen Pregnancy by writing impactful captions for the photographs they've taken, which will be displayed in various locations throughout the community. A portion of the Fort Pierce group is continuing their collaboration with the City of Fort Pierce to re-design Fenn Park.

In Port St. Lucie, the youth are also writing captions for their Photo Voice exhibit on the topic of Teen Mental Health. The group was awarded a county grant earlier this year to bring their idea of creating a Public Service Announcement on Teen Mental Health to life. After many hours of brainstorming and script-writing, the group is preparing to film their production with the support of the county's expertise and equipment. The Public Service Announcement will feature youth from both the Port St. Lucie and Fort Pierce branches of Youth Leadership...stay tuned!

To expand this phenomenal group of aspiring leaders, we will be hosting a Youth Leadership Interest meeting on September 8th from 10-11am at Port St. Lucie City Hall's Chambers. All high school students with a minimum 2.5 GPA are invited to attend this meeting to gain an understanding of what Youth Leadership St. Lucie is directly from their peers. We welcome you to share this invitation with all high school students that meet the GPA requirement and have a passion for change.

2018-2019 Youth Leadership Applications will be available at <u>www.roundtableslc.com</u> and on the Youth Leadership St. Lucie County Facebook page beginning September 8th, 2018.



Steering Committee Retreat

The Steering Committee Retreat was a great success. Members and community partners participated in a ½ day "Implicit Bias" training at the Department of Health this summer. Participants engaged in a highly interactive session that covered implicit bias and cultural misunderstandings after completing an Implicit Bias Test prior to the training. During the training, they were given the opportunity to explore their identities, cultures, and perceptions. The facilitators shared principles of organizational learning and how participants can use such principles to mitigate implicit bias in their systems and organizations. The workshop was so well received, the Steering Committee requested another session to explore this topic and strategies to enhance future initiatives as well as action plans developed by the Networks. The Implicit Bias Training – Part II is for a full day on October 22, 2018. Stay tuned for the save the date. Roundtable members, its networks and community partners are invited.













Restoring the Village Youth Initiative Goes on Historically Black College Tour

With the support of the City of Fort Pierce, Restoring the Village Youth Initiative was able to take a group of our young men on a two-day trip to Daytona Beach and Orlando with the goal of touring a historically black college – Bethune Cookman University, and engage in some pro-social activities. The trip was designed both as a reward for youth completing a 22-session anger management class, but more importantly as an opportunity to expose the youth to new experiences, and help them build some confidence that they actually can finish school, go to college and be successful.

We spent six hours at Bethune Cookman University, where we received a guided tour of the campus and learned about the history of the college. And for the real college experience, the youth were treated to lunch in the university cafeteria, where they also interacted with BCU students attending the summer semester. The last thing we did was to visit the BCU bookstore where we bought college apparel (t-shirts, hats, cups, etc.).

To reinforce the learning outcomes from the college tour in interactions and programs after the trip, RTVYI hopes to maintain the momentum by organizing "College T-Shirt Fridays" and continuing to expose clients to sports activities at Indian River State College.

Engaging youth in social/cultural activities to increase trust and build relationships between groups in conflict are powerful and evidence-based tools to "promote social integration and foster tolerance, helping to reduce tension and build relationships, so an important element of our program for the summer was a stay at a hotel in Daytona Beach overnight, enjoy the beach and spend a day at Universal Studios in Orlando. Our goal was to expose youth from the Lincoln Park area to Florida attractions and recreational opportunities, as well as inspire team development, support, trust, leadership and personal goal-setting.

Following the college tour, the group spent the afternoon and evening at a hotel in Daytona Beach, where the youth went to the beach and to dinner at Bubba Gump's Shrimp Company in the evening. The next day we drove to Orlando and the youth were able to go on rides and enjoy all the attractions of Universal Studios. It was a very hot day, and as we entered the park, our "tough guys" were actually a bit reluctant to go on any of the rides. But before the day was over, they all faced their fears and enjoyed numerous park attractions.

RTVYI Team Goes to Houston for Comprehensive Gang Model Workshop

A team from RTVYI went to Houston this summer to attend a three-day Workshop on the Comprehensive Gang Model organized by the National Gang Center. The Fort Pierce team consisted of Teresa Bishop from the Roundtable of St. Lucie County, Fort Pierce Chief of Police, Diane Hobley-Burney, Fort Pierce Police Department Gang Liaison, Nick McWilliams, RTVYI Program Coordinator Monica Jakobsen, and Outreach Supervisor Darcy McFolley.

The goal of this workshop was to bring together communities from all over the United States to help them strategize about how to stem youth gang violence through implementation of the Comprehensive Gang Model's five core components. The training centered around three main topics: How to Lay the Foundation for Shared Accountability, How to Build a Strategic Framework, and How to Strengthen Collective Impact.

This is the third time Fort Pierce has attended this national workshop, and it is an important tool for networking with folks from other sites, as well as an opportunity to speak with representatives from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Fort Pierce, considered a model site, was also able to assist other jurisdictions by sharing experiences from implementing Restoring the Village Youth Initiative.

















BACKGROUND

In 2014, the Roundtable's Safe Neighborhoods Network took the lead in implementing the Restoring The Village Youth Initiative, (RTVYI) an anti-violence strategy for reaching St. Lucie County youth who are involved in, or at risk of becoming involved in, street violence.

The initiative employs five street outreach workers who provide pro-social mentoring to over 130 gang-involved youth and their families, and utilizes a multi-disciplinary intervention team of 13 social agencies that deliver educational, employment, substance abuse and mental health services to program youth.





ABOUT US

The Roundtable of St. Lucie County, a 501(c)(3) organization, is a group of St. Lucie County leaders who work together to accomplish system change that results in improved outcomes for youth throughout St. Lucie County.

PROGRAM SUSTAINABILITY, FUNDING & CRITICAL PROGRAM NEEDS

Annual Program Cost - Approx. \$300,000

Program Coordinator

Outreach Supervisor

Four Full-Time Outreach Workers

Operation

Programming/Services

(Current OJJDP Funding Runs Out April 2019.)

Most critical program need is funding for staff.

OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED



68% Employed



61% participated in substance abuse, mental health counseling and anger management.

76% increased social and emotional skills



132 youth linked with a mentor.

Over 10,000 hrs spent on pro-social mentoring and linking youth to services and recreational opportunities.

85% increased their willingness to participate in services.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PRO-SOCIAL

All program youth are regularly involved in community service projects and recreational activities.

- Fort Pierce Community Garden • Great Community Clean Up
- Highway Men Festival
- Restoring the Village Community Clean Up

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- Fishing trips,
- Sports Events
- Gym Memberships
- Ropes Courses
- Zip Lining
- College Tour/ Universal Studios

2014-2018 SCORE CARD

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Through focused and collaborative suppression and intervention strategies, the initiative has significantly reduced community violence and improved the perception of safety in the target community.

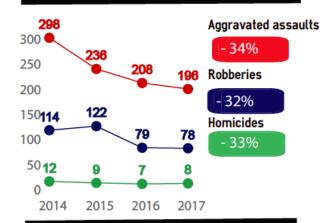
VIOLENT **CRIME**



GUN CRIME

GANG CRIME

56%



80% of residents said violence has decreased.



78% of residents said they feel safer.

48% of residents said police-community relations have improved.



80% of youth do not re-offend after participating in program for 6-12 months.

95% of high school aged youth are enrolled in school.

Significant decrease in behavioral referrals.



DRUG FREE ST. LUCIE A Network of the Roundtable of St. Lucie County

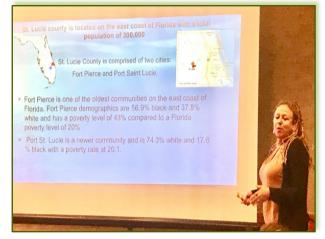
It has been an eventful summer for Drug Free St. Lucie. In July, we attended CADCA Mid-Year trainings in Orlando and attended several trainings presented by substance misuse and coalition experts from around the country. CADCA Mid-year trainings offer coalitions numerous opportunities to access high ranking officials like CADCA CEO General Arthur Dean and top government agencies such as the DEA. In August, Coalition Coordinator Kristy Conway and cohorts from around the nation and Puerto Rico completed the National Coalition Academy and will graduate on February 4th in Washington DC. This past summer was also filled with several community events that offered a great opportunity to connect with our community, our youth, neighbors and local officials.

As seen on the following page, DFSL was also featured in the National CADCA Newsletter:

https://www.cadca.org/resources/coalitions-action-drug-free-st-lucie-kicks-grant-year-one.













Coalitions in Action: Drug Free St. Lucie Kicks Off Grant Year!

Located on the "Treasure Coast" on the east coast of Florida, the <u>Drug Free St. Lucie</u> coalition is a year one DFC grantee off to an impressive start.

"As year one grantee, we are incredibly proud of the relationships we have built with our community leaders and grass root advocates. We have collaborations with our local law enforcement agencies at the county and city level, Children's Services Council, Health Department, regional mental health provider, schools, the United Way Lincoln Park Advocacy Advisory Committee (LPAC), and a grassroots advocacy group in the northern part of the county," said **Kristy Conway**, Coordinator. "We have also been fortunate enough to meet one-on-one and create relationships with members of Port St. Lucie City Council and the St. Lucie County Commission, city managers and the Office of the Mayor of both cities, just to name a few."

St. Lucie County has two major cities, Fort Pierce and Port Saint Lucie, with a total county population of 300,000 people. The coalition has established diversified data/assessment workgroups and is in the process of updating their community assessment with current data. Additionally, the coalition has grassroots members of the community involved with environmental scans of local stores in the Fort Pierce area and is in the planning stages for conducting community focus groups and community-focused dialogue events throughout the county.

"Recently, we formed the Drug Free St. Lucie Ft. Pierce Advisory Committee to address substance abuse issues specific to the city," said **Conway**. "Our fiscal agent, the Roundtable of St. Lucie County, is a collaborative of over 30 CEOs representing a wide range of stakeholders who serve the community with a primary focus on children and youth."

The organization supports Drug Free St. Lucie and directs key staff of the respective agencies to volunteer their time and assist with recruitment of other community stakeholders to support the efforts of the coalition. This has enabled Drug Free St. Lucie to develop its data workgroup to begin gathering information and data in order to assess and impact substance misuse in the area.

"In addition, we have a strong youth leadership team involving 30 youth contributing environmental data through a PhotoVoice Project," added **Conway**. "These collaborations will provide us with the information needed to identify the local conditions that will benefit from our coalition's work."

When asked what advice she would share with fellow coalitions, **Conway** said: "Drug Free St. Lucie recommends that every coalition make connections and build relationships with stakeholders representing grassroots throughout the target area to identify existing resources and strategies currently addressing substance use and other community issues. This will provide valuable insight that will assist coalitions with effectively organizing the coalition for community change. Using the core elements of the Strategic Prevention Framework model has been one of the most beneficial tools leading to building capacity to address substance misuse in our area."

Source: https://www.cadca.org/resources/coalitions-action-drug-free-st-lucie-kicks-grant-year-one





County teens help 'SWAT' take the fight to Big Tobacco

Written by: Shelley Koppel - July 13, 2018

Two St. Lucie County teens are helping to lead the fight against tobacco and smoking. Students Working Against Tobacco, or SWAT, Florida's statewide youth-led movement to combat the tobacco industry, announced that Elizabeth Sterling and Amanda Bouquet, members of the St. Lucie County SWAT chapter, have been named Youth Advocacy Board-elects.

The Youth Advocacy Board works in collaboration with the Florida Dept. of Health's Bureau of Tobacco Free Florida to support initiatives that help protect youth from tobacco and secondhand smoke exposure.

Both Sterling, who lives in St. Lucie West, and Bouquet, who lives in Port St. Lucie, are students at Lincoln Park Academy. Each spoke by phone about why the cause is so important to them.

Sterling, who will be a senior this fall, became active in SWAT as a sophomore. She was looking for someplace to volunteer and a friend recommended it. "It was a place to make a movement and be passionate about a case," she said. "Once I found SWAT, I was amazed at the tactics the tobacco industry uses (to target) young people. I wanted to educate people about what I know. Big Tobacco has new products and ways to replace old smokers It's very important to show people the numbers. Cigarette smoking is starting to decline and there are new e-cigarettes to replace them."

To discourage young people from the new products, SWAT has a new campaign: "Not a Lab Rat." "What we're trying to show people is that we don't know the effects in 10 or 20 years," Sterling said. "we are the lab rats for the companies. They're using the same tactics they used with older tobacco, saying they didn't know. We're concerned the same things will happen. There is no actual research and we are trying to advocate, 'Let's not be the lab rats.'"

Sterling, who hopes to go to college in Boston and then medical school, was influenced by the advocacy of the students at Stoneman Douglas High School. "When Parkland happened, it showed how our generation can be a voice to everyone else, whatever the age group," she said.

For Bouquet, her decision to join SWAT was personal. "One day, my mom said you have to find a club," she sid. "I joined it without knowing what it was. My grandpa died from lung cancer and my dad has emphysema and I'm against smoking. I discovered how passionate people were. I slowly became more a part of it and now I'm vice president. I really liked the part that we were educating people to make our own decisions and not hassling people. I loved that. We're about telling the truth."

Bouquet said that their goal is fighting the messages the tobacco companies send out. "We really like exposing Big Tobacco," she said. "they are feeding us lies. They still like to use the terms that some cigarettes are 'safer' because they have better filters or are light. Now they've started a new campaign about electronic nicotine dispensers because more youth are going to electric. There is no data to show it's safer. They're still testing products on us. This is the test generation, and later, when we develop diseases, they'll say, 'Oh, so this is what it does.' Then the cycle starts again."

Bouquet said that tobacco companies like using Point of Sale locations right up front to sell their products. "They're near the gum or candy" she said. "They always have deals and they sell them in low socioeconomic areas. They're selling a lifestyle, that you'll be cool. They're using the same playbook and tactics (they've always used). It's just different products. They haven't changed it because it works. That's what we're trying to expose." Bouquet said there is a lot of vaping, as the use of electronic cigarettes is called, on social media. There are also vape shops where you can but the product and smoke it there. "Vaping inside is legal," she said. "You have to be 18 to purchase, but you can also buy them online by clicking "yes" about your age.".

Bouquet, who is also a senior, hopes SWAT spreads the campaign throughout Florida and beyond. "We want to spread it around the country" she said. "People need to realize that they're using us again and it's not OK." Not surprisingly, Bouquet is also thinking about a career in medicine. She's looking at Emory University, but first, she has work to di this year, spreading the work in her region and on social media. "I am really looking forward to working with all the new Youth Advocacy Board-elects and seeing what amazing work we will do this year," she said. "I'm excited to see what everyone brings to the table."

Source: http://veronews.com/2018/07/13/county-teens-help-swat-take-fight-big-tobacco/



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CHILD & ADOLESCENT HEALTH (Healthy St. Lucie)

Healthiest Weight: Meetings are bi-monthly. Infant Mortality: Meets quarterly. Teen Pregnancy: Meeting date TBD

CHILD WELFARE

First Tuesday quarterly at 10:00am at Children's Services Council.

ECONOMIC SUFFICIENCY (Bridges to Prosperity)

Third Wednesday of every month at 12:00pm at the United Way of St. Lucie.

LINCOLN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Fourth Thursday of every other month at 12:00pm at the Department of Health 714 Avenue C, Fort Pierce.

SAFE KIDS COALITION (Unintentional Injury)

First Thursday of every month at 9:00am at Garber Buick GMC on US1. (Does not meet in July or November)

VIOLENCE & DELINQUENCY WORKGROUP

Quarterly on third Tuesday at 2:00pm. Location – State Attorney's Office on 2nd Street.

SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK

Third Tuesday of every month at 2:00pm at the Fort Pierce Housing Authority, 511 Orange Ave.

SCHOOL DELINQUENCY NETWORK

Meets monthly. Date, time, and location TBD.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Third Thursday of every month at 9:00am at Children's Services Council.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE (Drug Free St. Lucie)

September 25, 10am-12pm at the Health Department on Milner.





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