



**Family Connection Camden Collaborative Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** November 14, 2023

**Time:** 2:00 pm

on Zoom

Attendees:

<b>Lena Brathwaite Bell</b> - Chair, FCC Leadership Team	<b>April Jeans -</b> Executive Director	<b>Beonca Brown -</b> Coastal Health District	<b>Bianca Booker –</b> Camden County Schools	<b>Chelsea Owens -</b> Child Care Resource and Referral of Southeast Georgia
<b>Claire Feazel -</b> Camden County Board of Commissioners	<b>Danielle Sayre -</b> Coastal Health District	<b>Dawn Gray – SALT</b> Family Services	<b>Deidra Combs –</b> Coastal Pines Technical College	<b>Francine Murray -</b> Hope 1312 Collective
<b>Jennifer Rounds -</b> Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia	<b>Jessica Simon</b> –Coastal Health District	<b>Kaylah Vila - Safe</b> Harbor	<b>Kirk O'Brien - GaFCP</b>	<b>Laurie Kaler -</b> Camden County DFCS
<b>Laurie Levine -</b> Tribune-Georgian	<b>Laurel A. Sphar- St.</b> Marys Public Library	<b>Leah Rose - Salvation</b> Army, Pathway of Hope	<b>Laura Smith-Brese -</b> College of Coastal Georgia	<b>Matthew Campese -</b> Camden County Schools
<b>Loreatha Jenkins -</b> Coastal Area Agency	<b>Megan Molix –</b> Camden Connection	<b>Mary Gail Lindsey, -</b> Camden County Schools	<b>Marcus Simmons.</b> Safe Harbor's Zach's Place	<b>Shauna Spann –</b> Camden Chamber of Commerce
<b>Shawnessy Mitchell- Roberts –</b> Agape Unlimited Inc.	<b>Sene Coley –</b> Camden County Schools	<b>Temeca Hannan -</b> WorkSource Coastal	<b>Tovah Reuven- Yisrael -</b> Safe Harbor Street Beat	<b>Troy Hobbs -</b> Camden County Schools
<b>Waldron Hamilton</b> GaDOE	<b>Willie Wormack –</b> Camden Missions	<b>Walter R. Spencer -</b> Kin Raising Kids Camden	<b>Sally Cedars -</b> Coastal Community Health	<b>Mary Root –</b> Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation

- Lena Brathwaite Bell, FCC Chair, called the meeting to order, welcoming everyone.
- April Jeans, FCC ED announced starting in January, the FCC Collaborative meeting minutes need to be approved at every meeting.
  - Past Collaborative meeting minutes and past FCC monthly newsletters will be on the FCC website, [Camden.gafcp.org](http://Camden.gafcp.org), soon.



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- December 12, the annual FCC Jingle and Mingle Holiday event is in place of the virtual Collaborative meeting. RSVP is required before December 1, 2023.
- Kirk Obrein, GaFCP Region 12 Evaluator, presented GaFCP data tools, such as an interactive census map where specific indicators may be chosen to track data by sub-counties to assist with the data assessment of economically disadvantaged areas in Camden County.
  - <https://gafcp.org/interactive-map/>
  - <https://community-opportunity-map.casey.org/cailive?location=Seattle&tab=family&searchType=city>
- Partner Sharing - FCC Collaborative
- Laurie Levine, LifeBuckets.org is seeking Founding Members and future distribution partners. The Mission of the Founders Club is to provide the financial foundation needed to build a strong, impactful giving network of weatherproof, dignity-restoring LifeBuckets to women in need. Each LifeBucket will be filled with new, intentionally selected hygiene and comfort products that a woman needs following a life disaster that results in an evacuation from her home.
  - Christmas in the Park seeks volunteers on December 2<sup>nd</sup> to run game and food concession tables at their annual free holiday event.
- Tameca Hamann Work Source Coastal has WHIOA training funding for assistance with professional development. For more information, call 912-439-3720 or email [thannan@eckerd.org](mailto:thannan@eckerd.org).
- Megan Molix, Camden Connection announced a free QPR (Suicide Prevention Training) Register: at: <https://camdenchamber.com/camden-community-events#!event/register/2023/11/16/qpr-training-free>.
- Beonca Brown, Coastal Health District -Free COVID-19 AND Flu testing Kiosk, PCR testing available 24/7 at Coastal Community Health, Camden County (202 Lake Shore Drive in St. Marys. Results are typically sent via email or text within 48 hours of testing. No out-of-pocket costs for individuals with insurance. Their insurance will be billed.
  - Free Blood Glucose and Blood Pressure Screenings at the Camden County Health Department! On Thursday, November 16th, from 1 pm - 4 pm (905 Dilworth St. in St. Marys). Appointments are not required! <https://coastalhealthdistrict.org/free-blood-pressure-and-blood-glucose-screenings-in-november/>





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- WIC Ambassador training session at 10 a.m. on Friday, 11/17/2023 and on Friday, 12/15/2023 (<https://coastalhealthdistrict.org/programs-services/health-promotion-disease-prevention/wic-ambassadors/>).
- Pastor Walter Spencer, Kin Raising Kids meetings are the third Thursday of every month, 12 p.m. at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Woodbine. Refreshments will be provided, and children are welcome.
- Laural Spahr, St. Marys Library, conducts free computer classes on Wednesdays at 10:30 am. Registration is required. Call 912-882 4800. One-on-one tutoring for computer skills is available.
  - Maker Spaces is on Saturdays at 10:30 am.
  - Storytime for babies is on Thursdays at 10 am.
- Leah Rose, St. Marys Salvation Army Pathway of Hope needs volunteers and models in the February 17, 2024, Vintage to Vogue Fashion Show & Gala fundraiser. For more information, please send an email to [leah.rose@uss.salvationarmy.org](mailto:leah.rose@uss.salvationarmy.org) or contact her at 912-540-1673.
- Camden Suicide Prevention Coalition is hosting a Walk to Remember to honor International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day on November 18, 2023. Registration is at 8:30 am at Camden Recreation Center on Wildcat Drive. Wear purple or teal.
- Family Connection Camden, Agape Unlimited, and Pathway of Hope are partnering to host a professional development/life skills workshop at the Salvation Army starting in January, For more information, email [agapeunlimitedinc.0621@gmail.com](mailto:agapeunlimitedinc.0621@gmail.com).
- Closing - Next meeting: January 9, 2024, 2 p.m. via Zoom

\*If you want to spotlight your agency as the featured speaker at an FCC Collaborative meeting, email [familyconnectioncamden.ed@gmail.com](mailto:familyconnectioncamden.ed@gmail.com)



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