



Family Connection Camden Collaborative Meeting Minutes

Date: January 9, 2024

Time: 2:00 pm

on Zoom

Attendees:

Lena Brathwaite Bell - Chair, FCC Leadership Team	April Jeans - Executive Director	Beonca Brown - Coastal Health District	Laura Smith-Brese - College of Coastal Georgia	Chelsea Owens - Child Care Resource and Referral of Southeast Georgia
Waldron Hamilton Georgia Department of Education	Mary Root – Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation	Dawn Gray – SALT Family Services	Leah Rose - Salvation Army, Pathway of Hope	Francine Murray - Hope 1312 Collective
Audrey Rose – Salvation Army	Jessica Simon – Coastal Health District	Kylee Killian - Safe Harbor	Shawnessy Mitchell- Roberts – Agape Unlimited Inc	Tovah Reuven-Yisrael - Safe Harbor
Morgan Marshall – Safe Harbor	Heather Stephens - Department of Veterans Affairs	Walter R. Spencer - Kin Raising Kids Camden	Jeff Clark – Safe Harbor	Carl Glover – Department of Early Childcare and Learning
James Ham – Camden Missions				

- Lena Brathwaite Bell, FCC Chair, called the meeting to order, welcoming everyone.
 - A motion to approve the minutes of November 14, 2023, FCC Collaborative meeting was made and approved.
 - Announced nominations for Family Connection Camden Leadership Team are being accepted for FY25.
 - If you are interested in taking part of the Nominating Committee, please email lbrathwaitebell@gmail.com
- April Jeans, FCC ED announced the Family Connection Camden website, Camden.gafcp.org, now has the past meeting minutes and FCC newsletters.
 - Asked the collaborative to please check the resource page on the website to assure the information is correct.



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- The Handle with Care MOU has been signed and is being implemented.
- Family Connection Camden is now taking part in the Get GA Reading Campaign.
- Family Connection Camden, Agape Unlimited, and Pathway of Hope are partnering to host a lunch and learn, professional development/life skills workshop at the Salvation Army January 12, 19, 26, and February 2, 2024. For more information, email agapeunlimitedinc.0621@gmail.com.
- In place of the FY24 annual plan activity, Job Resource Fair, a Community Baby Shower take place on March 9, 2024, at the Camden County Recreation Department.
- The 3rd FCC Strategy Team meeting is taking place January 23, 2024, at 8:30 am at the St. Marys Salvation Army. The annual data review and FY25 annual planning will take place, as well.
- Trauma Informed Training Presentation – Dawn Grey, SALT Family Services
 - If you or your organization is interested in Community based, mental health, vicarious trainings or Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity training for first responders contact Dawn at 352.573.6105
- Point In Time Count Event – Jeff Clark, Safe Harbor
 - In preparation for the upcoming Point In Time Count Event being held on January 22nd volunteers are being sought to assist in conducting the "homelessness census" - PIT Count. Every other year Continuum of Cares throughout the country are tasked with enumerating the sheltered and unsheltered homeless population on one night in January to get a snapshot of homelessness in the nation, states, and local communities. We are encouraging everyone to spread the word and recruit as many volunteers as possible. The more community collaborators, stakeholders, and organizations who volunteer and participate the higher the count. Fill | Point In Time Count Volunteer Survey [FORMS.OFFICE.COM](https://forms.office.com)
- Partner Sharing
- Salvation Army Pathway of Hope is hosting the Vintage to Vogue Fashion Show and Gala taking place February 17, 2023, 5:39 to 8:00 pm at the Southeast Community Church, 790 May Creek Drive, Kingsland, GA. Sponsorships, models and volunteers are needed. For more information contact Leah Rose, Pathway of Hope, The Salvation Army. 9125401673 leah.rose@uss.salvationarmy.org



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- IPE Innovations Educations' Youth Leadership Program (YELP) is now accepting applications for the upcoming semester, starting February 6, 2024, from middle school and high school students. Deadline is January 31, 2024. YELP offers a scholarship.
- Grief Support, Teen Life Skills, Conflict Resolution, Anger Management, Parenting Skills, and Hypnotherapy services offered. For more information email lbrathwaitebell@gmail.com
- SALT is hosting a Madi Gras Gala on February 10th at the Kingsland Train Depot starting at 8 pm. Tickets are \$75 dollars and include a meal and ride on the St. Marys Railroad.
- Camden Behavioral Wellness is hosting a January Jingle 5k on January 27, 2024. Registration is at 8:30 am at the Camden County Recreation Department. For more information mollymccue@camdenbehavioralwellness.com
- Carl Glover, Marketing and Outreach Specialist with DECAL's (Department of Early Care and Learning) Nutrition Services division seeking sponsorships for the Georgia Summer Food Service Program, Happy Helpings. For more information contact Carl.Glover@dec.al.ga.gov
- Closing - Next meeting: February 13, 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



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