



Family Connection Camden Collaborative Meeting Minutes

Date: November 18, 2025

Time: 2:00 pm

Zoom

Attendees:

Walter R. Spencer - Chair, FCC Leadership Team	April Jeans – Executive Director	Amy Bell - Fleet and Family Exceptional Family Member Program	Guynell Grant - Coastal Pines Technical College	Leah Rose - Pathway of Hope at the Salvation Army
Deidra Combs - Coastal Pines Technical College	Juliette Delice- Thomas - Department of Juvenile Justice	Loretha Jenkins – Coastal Regional Commission Area Agency on Aging	Leah Rose – Salvation Army Pathway of Hope	Tovah Reuven-Yisrael – Safe Harbor
Laura Smith-Brese - College of Coastal Georgia	Paula Gardner - WorkSource / Eckerd	Laurel Spahr – St. Marys Library	JeAntae Jordan - Gateway Community Service Board	Deanna Lang - Fleet and Family Exceptional Family Member Program
Claire Feazel - Camden County Board of Commissioners	Mary Beckman - NAACP Camden Branch and Women United International	Mary McCollough - Fleet and Family Exceptional Family Member Program		

- Walter R. Spencer, FCC Chair, opened the meeting and welcomed attendees.
 - The September meeting minutes were approved.
- Mary McCollough presented the Kings Bay Navy Base Fleet and Family Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)
- FCC Updates April Jeans
 - The next FCC Strategy Team meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2025, at 9 am.
 - The 2025 Jingle and Mingle is December 9, 12 pm to 2 pm at The Green Room Sicilian Cafe and Deli 2826 St Marys Rd, St Marys, GA 31558-4559 (By the entrance of Osprey Cove)
 - Camden Suicide Prevention Coalition's Walk to Remember is Saturday, November 22, 2025, at the Woodbine River Walk to honor International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day. Walk starts at 9:00 am.
 - Safe Harbor/Ravens of Elijah's Pop-up Community Resource Fair is November 19, 2025, 11 am to 1 pm. Set-ups begin at 10am.



- o South Georgia Coordinated Entry Point-In-Time Meeting on December 2, 2025, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm at Christ Church Camden in St. Marys, GA.

Partner Updates:

- Leah Rose, Salvation Army's RED KETTLE and ANGEL TREE are happening now. Bell Ringers will see all of you at [Walmart Saint Marys - GA Highway 40 E](#) starting Monday November 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at both doors of Walmart. Angel Tree tags will also go up on Monday morning at Walmart and Belk Outlet in St. Marys. You can pick your tag and purchase one thing off the list. You do not have to purchase everything on the list. Walmart gifts (unwrapped) can be returned to our office at 1915 Osborne Road, St. Marys. Gifts from Belk can be left at their location and we will pick them up. The last day to return gifts is December 6th. There are plenty of Bell Ringing shifts still available for you to help. Go to www.registeroring.com and sign up now.
- Deidra Combs - The Coastal Pines Technical College Foundation has teamed up with Adult Education to pay all GED / HiSET testing fees throughout the month of November for students who meet the minimum qualifications to test. This special promotion applies to current and new students enrolled in Adult Education classes.
For more information or to get registered, please contact:
Vrajani Mehta | 912.287.6580 | vmehta@coastalpines.edu Shakaria Rooks | 912.427.5822 | srooks@coastalpines.edu
- Paula Gardner - Work Source / Eckerd is looking for High School Seniors from low-income families to participate in our earn-and-learn workshops to help them become better prepared for life after graduation. Work Source Life After High School Program. For more information email pgardner@eckerd.org
- Claire Feazel – Camden County Board of Commissioners is accepting applications for the Public Service Authority Board. More information is available at camdencountyga.gov
- Loreatha Jenkins – Coastal Area Agency on Aging's Senior Hunger Coalition meeting is February 19, 2025
- Mary Beckman - Women United International is collecting "Bedtime Bags" (pajamas + book) for Head Start children at Ralph J. Bunche Center. Staff will receive gift cards. Sign up and donate by Dec 12; drop off by Dec 15 at Yvette Burch, 3419 Colerain Rd., Kingsland. More info: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4BADAA2CA4FDC43-60633843-bedtime> Donations will be accepted at the FCC Jingle and Mingle on December 9, 2025.
- Closing - Next FCC Collaborative Meeting is December 9, 2025, at 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at The Green Room Sicilian Cafe and Deli 2826 Saint Marys Rd, St Marys, GA 31558

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