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## *Allegany Insider*

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***It's been a while since we released our last newsletter in August 2016. In this issue you will learn about new staff, administrative news, the Common Good Initiative and grant program updates. In addition, you will find information about recent awards and upcoming educational opportunities.***

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## Welcome Our New Regional Vice President for Miami-Dade

Daniel Gibson joined Allegany Franciscan Ministries' staff in November 2016. Daniel is a passionate community leader and advocate for social justice. Before joining us, Daniel was the Chief Program Officer for The Lord's Place in Palm Beach County. In his role as Regional Vice President for Miami-Dade, Daniel is responsible for supporting the Overtown Common Good Initiative and serves as Allegany Franciscan Ministries' lead staff in Miami-Dade County, responsible for key strategic relationships and partnerships.

[Full press release](#)

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## New Website Revealed

We were delighted to reveal our new website, [www.afmfl.org](http://www.afmfl.org) in early February. The update was completed to better utilize current technology, improve navigation and highlight our Common Good Initiative work and grant programs. Special thanks to Phoebe Ezell who designed the site and her husband Will who took many of the photos. We welcome your feedback on the site content and navigation. Please share your thoughts with Lise Landry Alives, Vice President of Operations at [llandryalives@afmfl.org](mailto:llandryalives@afmfl.org).



## Common Good Initiative Updates

The Councils for the Common Good in Lincoln Park, Overtown and Wimauma continue to move forward in addressing community priorities through specific strategies. In Lincoln Park, a community survey garnering information for strategy implementation was recently completed. In Overtown, a RFP was launched in support of the priority, "Community Voices Inform Policies and Decisions." The Wimauma Council is working to create a permanent home for La Esperanza Clinic. Several new investments have been made in each of the three communities since our last newsletter. Click on the links below to learn more about the recent investments and overall updates on our progress.

[Lincoln Park](#)   [Overtown](#)   [Wimauma](#)



***Celebrating Lincoln Park Council Member Chief Diane Hobley-Burney's African-America Diaspora Award***

## Grant Program Updates & Deadlines

### ACOR Grants:

The spring deadline is April 3rd at noon. Remember applicants must have an affiliation with Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, Franciscan Sisters of Allegany Associates or Trinity Health. For more information click [here](#).

### Tau Grants:

Don't forget the next deadline for Tau Grants is April 13th at noon! The Tau Grant program partners with nonprofit organizations that are aligned with Allegany Franciscan Ministries' mission and focus. They are intended to increase access to health services and improve the overall health status of underserved communities. For more information about Tau Grants click [here](#).

### Major Grants:

The Major Grant 2016-2017 cycle is in the final stages! Full applications were received on March 3rd. The Grant Committee will review full applications, conduct site visits and make final recommendations to the Board of Directors by mid-June.

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**Eileen Receives the Bronze Bra Award!**

The Bronze Bra Award is the highest honor given by [Urgent, Inc.](#) to signify and celebrate women, men and organizations that serve to uplift and support the community (like a great bra!). Allegany Franciscan Ministries' President & CEO Eileen Coogan was recognized along with other community leaders that embody this sentiment. We are proud of our leader!



***Eileen with Monica, one of Urgent, Inc.'s Rites of Passage student leaders.***

**Nearly Half a Million in Grants Approved Since October**



[here](#)

## Upcoming Events

**MAY 10**

**Nonprofit Leadership Center of Tampa Bay 2017 Leadership Conference**

[More information](#)

**MAY 31 - JUNE 2**

**Florida Prosperity Partnership 9th Annual Statewide Training Conference in Orlando**

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