



**Glades PATCH Board Meeting**  
**November 17, 2020**  
**9:00am – 10:45am**

*Held at Via Zoom*

**Board Members Present:**

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Marcia Bahia	<i>Palm Beach County Sheriff'</i>
Pearlie Moore	<i>Legal Aid Society</i>
Terri Calsetta	<i>Lakeside Medical Hospital</i>
Fanny Jackson	<i>Susan B. Komen Foundation</i>
Karis Engle	<i>The Glades Initiative</i>
Cylenthia Mann	<i>Community Partners of South FL Bridges at Pahokee</i>
Lisa Wiese	<i>FAU College of Nursing</i>
Patrice Schroeder	<i>211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast</i>
Michelle Williams	<i>Lutheran Services FL</i>
Jessica Moore	<i>PEPPI Headstart</i>
Jean Lansiquot	<i>FL Department of Health, PBC</i>
Charlene Ford	<i>West Tech School</i>

**Guests Present:**

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Laura Cusack	<i>CILO</i>
Ruby Rodriguez	<i>Foundcare, Inc.</i>
Robin Jones	<i>FAU CARD</i>
Diana Gomez	<i>Sunshine Health Plans</i>
Jen Barrett	<i>PBSO Human Trafficking</i>
Debbie Walters	<i>Diabetes Coalition of Palm Beach County</i>
Fashara Hill	<i>Pahokee Housing Authority</i>
Catherine Martinez	<i>Resident</i>
Brenisha Bynes	<i>Boystown</i>
Jerry Leaky	<i>Legal Aid Society</i>
Margaret Humphrey	<i>Lutheran Services Florida/South Bay Head Start</i>
Colin Walkes	<i>Community Partners of S. FL Bridges at Belle Glade</i>
Rebecca Harley	<i>Boystown</i>
Cynedra Blake	<i>Clewiston Chamber of Commerce</i>

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by PATCH President, Teri Calsetta, at 9:05 AM
2. **INTRODUCTIONS:** All attendees introduced themselves with their name and agency.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 17, 2020 AGENDA:** Marcia Bahia made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Lisa Wiese. The board approved unanimously.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 20, 2020 MINUTES:** Marcia Bahia made a motion to add “Palm Beach” to the 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast as requested by Patrice Schroeder, 211 representative. Motion was seconded by Lisa Wiese. The board voted and it was approved unanimously.
5. **SPEAKER:** Rebecca Harley, Boystown. The agency provides resources, support, and skills to empower families who are struggling so they remain together. Boystown offers in-home services with flexible hours and a 10-12 weeks Parent Training to improve communication with child. Collaborate with providers and will connect families. There is no cost for service. Brenisha Bynes is the early learning specialist – Introduce books and toys to children to prepare them for pre-school. Due to Covid, the program is currently being conducted virtually. For more information, contact IHFS Supervisor Rebecca Harley at [Rebecca.harley@boystown.org](mailto:Rebecca.harley@boystown.org) and 561 946-5339.
6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
  - **Communications Committee:** Lisa Wiese confirmed PATCH speakers until and including March 2021.
  - **Teen/Parent Connection Committee:** Marcia Bahia is still offering virtual Gang Prevention / Crime Prevention / Lifetime of Consequences Workshop for teens and parents. Patrice Schroeder announced that the 211 teen guide is currently available for distribution.
  - **Health & Wellness Committee:** Lisa Wiese stated that the committee met after the PATCH meeting. She thanked everyone who shared information about the committee’s past accomplishments. The next meeting is scheduled for November 17 after the PATCH meeting.
  - **Policies and Procedures Committee:** Fanny Jackson will report at the next meeting.
7. **OLD BUSINESS:** The proposed Excel spreadsheet listing Glades agencies and contact information was discussed. Terri Calsetta added an extra column for “services and comments.” Marcia Bahia will forward the spreadsheet to the members and guests for consent and possible revisions to the information.

The agenda and minutes were not available at the Glades Initiative e-blast, as it was promised, due to a miscommunication. The December agenda and November minutes will be posted on the e-blast on the week prior to the PATCH meeting.

Marcia Bahia requested that agency flyers regarding events and/or services to be posted by the hosting agency. Marcia Bahia will not post flyers on behalf of other agencies. However, all announcements recorded on the “zoom chat” will be included in the PATCH minutes.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:** No new business.

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Karis Engle (Glades Initiative):** In order for agencies to post announcements/flyers in the weekly e-blast, send information by Friday to [updates@gladesinitiative.com](mailto:updates@gladesinitiative.com) for posting the next week.
- **Jessica Moore (PEPPI Head Start):** Accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Accepts children with a diagnosed disability as well as a suspected disability. A diagnosed disability includes those children who currently have an IEP for speech, language, and etc. Services offered include preschool education, VPK, family advocacy, health and disability services, nutritional meals and snacks, and field trips. To apply, visit PEPPI Head Start at 301 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Belle Glade, or call 561 996-1718 to schedule an appointment.
- **Jen Barrett (PBSO):** Provides outreach, support, and training on Human Trafficking. [barrettj@pbsso.org](mailto:barrettj@pbsso.org)
- **Patrice Schroeder (211):** Asking for service providers to review the 211 Glades Guide (draft), make necessary revisions to their organization, and send it back to Patrice at [Patrice.schroeder@211pbtc.org](mailto:Patrice.schroeder@211pbtc.org). Any agencies/churches providing holiday meals or planning a toy giveaway, contact [judi.hechtman@211pbtc.org](mailto:judi.hechtman@211pbtc.org).
- **Robin Jones (FAU CARD):** Center for Autism and Related Disabilities for services related. 561 212-4930 [robinjones@fau.eduautism.fau.edu](mailto:robinjones@fau.eduautism.fau.edu)
- **Jerry Leaky (Legal Aid Society):** Children’s Healthcare Advocacy Project (CHAP) is available to help remove barriers to care for children in medical, dental, behavioral, and mental healthcare. Jerry Leakey and Ana Perez Prince can be reached via email (preferred because they are mostly working remotely) or phone. Jerry – [jleakey@legalaiddpbc.org](mailto:jleakey@legalaiddpbc.org) (561) 655-8944 ext 252. Ana – [aperezprince@legalaiddpbc.org](mailto:aperezprince@legalaiddpbc.org) (561) 655-8944 ext 281.  
Also available to prepare a Health Care Surrogate for Minors document for any children in Palm Beach County to help their parents/guardians put a plan in place to name a surrogate to step in if they are unavailable or unable. For example, the surrogate could bring the child to the doctor and make health care decisions on the child’s behalf. The pandemic has been another reminder that it is important to plan ahead before an emergency need arises.

- **Laura Cusack (CILO):** Human Trafficking Coalition of the Palm Beaches/Coalition for Independent Living. Will facilitate a HT training for the Glades service providers on December 16, 2020. [lcusack@cilo.org](mailto:lcusack@cilo.org)
- **Diana Gomez (Sunshine Health Plans):** Open enrollment at AmbetterFL.com. [Diagomez@centene.com](mailto:Diagomez@centene.com)
- **Margaret Humphrey and Michelle Williams (Lutheran Services FL – South Bay Head Start):** Facility provides child care for children between the ages of six weeks to five years old. [Margaret.humphrey@lsfnet.org](mailto:Margaret.humphrey@lsfnet.org), [Michelle.williams@lsfnet.org](mailto:Michelle.williams@lsfnet.org)
- **Debbie Walters (Diabetes Coalition of Palm Beach County):** Provides free A1c tests, diabetes risk assessments and free diabetes prevention/self-management classes. Diabetes risk For screening contact [debby@diabetescoalitionpbc.org](mailto:debby@diabetescoalitionpbc.org) and 202 422-5277.
- **Ruby Rodriguez (Foundcare):** Provides Ryan White medical case management, RW non-medical case management, early Intervention services, outreach, free HIV, and testing kits. [Ruby\\_rodriguez@foundcare.org](mailto:Ruby_rodriguez@foundcare.org)
- **Lisa Wiese (FAU Nursing):** Offers education and screening for different chronic diseases, particularly for older adults at risk for Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias. Would like to identify veterans who own a dog to conduct an interview. Interviewees will receive a \$25 gift card. Also, offering a gift card to caregivers of individuals with dementia to participate in a nutrition program which includes supplements. The 4<sup>th</sup> faith-based outreach is scheduled for the Glades First Baptist Church on December 6<sup>th</sup> after the church service. Attendees will learn about dementia and receive a gift card and a goody bag from Healthier Glades. Lisa is donating books for children toddler –HS. [lwiese@health.fau.edu](mailto:lwiese@health.fau.edu).
- **Pearlie Moore (Legal Aid Society):** Funds available to assist with paying rent for those individuals who are behind with rent due to COVID-19 through Rapid Response Emergency Assist. [pmoore@legalaidpbc.org](mailto:pmoore@legalaidpbc.org)
- **Cynedra Blake (Clewiston Chamber of Commerce):** Asked to make a short PowerPoint presentation regarding the burning of the sugar cane in the Glades and the lawsuit regarding federal air quality. Patrice Schroeder interjected by saying that the topic is political and that PATCH is not the forum for it. Karis Engle agreed. Terri Calsetta thanked Cynedra, but did not allow her to proceed with the presentation.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:** Lisa Wiese made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Pearlie Moore. The meeting adjourned at 10:24 am.

*The next meeting is scheduled for*

*December 15, 2020 at 9:00am*

*Speaker: Terri Calsetta (Lakeside Medical Hospital)*

*held via Zoom <https://pbso.zoom.us/j/94945442599?pwd=MHpJN2lCKzNNNEpYVHBLR1d2ZityUT09>*