



## Monday Morning Update

### March 5, 2018

#### News

##### **Council engaged in community action plan for mental health; welcomes new board members**

Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County and community partners immediately engaged in developing an "action plan" for mental health services in the county, in the wake of the Parkland school shooting tragedy, CEO Lisa Williams-Taylor told the council at its monthly meeting Feb. 22. [Click here](#) to read more.

##### **Grief, counseling and mental health resources**

In light of the recent tragedy in Parkland, [we are listing free or low-cost counseling services available to families in Palm Beach County](#). If your non-profit organization would like to be included in this list, please email [mmu@cscpb.org](mailto:mmu@cscpb.org) and write "counseling services" in the subject line.

##### **Save the date! Birth to 22 Business Leaders Breakfast**

Wednesday, April 18  
7:30 - 10 a.m.  
Marriott West Palm Beach  
1001 Okeechobee Blvd.  
West Palm Beach

Birth to 22 is galvanizing unprecedented collaboration among schools, governments and agencies so our young people graduate with the knowledge, skills and creativity needed to prosper - for themselves and Palm Beach County - in today's global markets. Register today for this business leaders breakfast to learn more about Birth to 22 initiatives. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

##### **Free tax filing services for household incomes under \$66,000**

United Way of palm Beach County's Taxes Filed Free Campaign gives taxpayers with low-to-moderate incomes several in-person and online options to prepare and file their return for free. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Taxes Filed Free Campaign, the services offered and where sites are located throughout Palm Beach County. Site locations with days/times of operation can also be learned by calling 2-1-1.

##### **Parents: apply for the Summer Camp Scholarship Program!**

The Summer Camp Scholarship Program offers eligible children, ages 5-14 and a special population up to age 17, a full scholarship to day camp for the entire summer. Scholarship includes all tuition and fees. To access the Summer Camp Scholarship Program Provider Application and view the list of outreach events, [click here](#). The deadline to apply is April 13.

##### **211's student film contest for suicide prevention**

211 Palm Beach is holding a student film contest on suicide prevention. Students are asked to produce a 30 second film promoting 211's text platform - TXT211. The first prize film will air on TV as well as a PSA, receive \$500 and get a behind-the-scenes tour of WPTV Channel 5. For contest rules and to apply, [click here](#). Contest deadline is March 30.

##### **Anquan and Dionne Bolin Scholarships: now accepting applications!**


Palm Beach County high school seniors can now apply for the Anquan and Dionne Bolin scholarships. Four \$10,000 scholarships will be awarded annually to high school seniors

##### **Passport locations extend hours during March Madness**

Throughout March, the Palm Beach County Clerk and Comptroller offices are celebrating March Madness by staying open an extra hour at passport acceptance locations. Adjusted hours for March are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.,

entering college. [Click here](#) to view the scholarship requirements and access the application guideline. Deadline to apply is March 17.

for passports at North, South and West County locations. [Click here](#) for more information.



**Your child was just diagnosed with autism. Now what?**

You may have had a feeling that something wasn't quite right when you notice your toddler wasn't acting like other kids his age. But receiving a formal diagnosis that your child has autism can be a scary and overwhelming feeling. You may not know where to reach out for quality care, and support for yourself. You may also worry about your child's future. All of that is normal. It's important to remember there is help locally each step of the way. [Read more here](#). For more additional parenting tips, advice and local resources, create a family profile at [EveryParentPBC.org](http://EveryParentPBC.org).

## Events

### Parent-child literacy hour and lending library with BRIDGES at Riviera Beach

Saturday, March 10  
12 - 1 p.m.  
BRIDGES at Riviera Beach  
4152 W. Blue Heron Blvd.,  
Riviera Beach

Children who read frequently and widely are higher achievers than students who read rarely and narrowly. Parents are provided with helpful reading facts and hands-on, interactive tips to implement at home.

Parent participation is required. For more information, call 561.899.1644. [Click here](#) to view upcoming events at all ten BRIDGES locations.

### Guardian ad Litem's Storybook Village

Sunday, March 11  
1 - 5 p.m.  
CityPlace  
700 S. Rosemary Ave.  
West Palm Beach

Bring your little reader to this fun and free event where storybooks come to life! Speak Up For Kids and the Guardian ad Litem Program of Palm Beach County will be hosting the second annual Storybook Village. There will be booths with special guest readers, face painting, adopt-a-book(s) and more! [Click here](#) for more information.

### Fifth Annual Moments Luncheon with Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies

Friday, May 11  
11:30 a.m.  
Country Club at Mirasol  
11600 Mirasol Way  
Palm Beach Gardens

Join the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies for the Fifth Annual Moments luncheon. This event honors mothers and all of their extraordinary moments while officially kicking off Mother's Day weekend! The keynote speech will be delivered by Gabrielle Finley-Hazle, Chief Executive Officer of St. Mary's Medical Center and Palm Beach Children's Hospital. [Click here](#) to register.

### West Palm Green Market fun with Children's Services Council

April 7, 14, 21  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
101 S Flagler Dr.,  
West Palm Beach

Going to the West Palm Beach Green Market this weekend? Make sure to stop by our table to plant a sunflower with your child, take a selfie in our photo booth and learn about the EveryParent app and website - a FREE resource for Palm Beach County parents! [Click here](#) to create a profile today!

### National child passenger safety certification training course

April 16 - 19  
Monday, 12 - 5 p.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday,  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
PBC Fire Rescue Headquarters  
405 Pike Road,  
West Palm Beach

Safe Kids Palm Beach County and Palm Beach County Fire Rescue will host a national child passenger safety certification training course. Get one-on-one personalized instruction and certification on how to properly install a child's car seat. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

### ChildNet's Care for Kids Luncheon

April 10  
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Woodfield Country Club  
3650 Club Place,  
Boca Raton

Join ChildNet for its 2018 Care for Kids Luncheon benefiting children in foster care. Sarah Marmion will be honored as the 2018 Champion for Children. The luncheon's keynote speaker is Robert Scheer, founder of Comfort Cases. For more information and to register, [click here](#).

### Midterm Madness - free event for Palm Beach County teachers

Friday, March 9  
3 - 7 p.m.  
Hilton Palm Beach Airport Hotel  
150 Australian Avenue,  
West Palm Beach

Being a teacher is not only a very important job, but a very challenging one too. Palm Beach County teachers, enjoy an afternoon of pampering and recharging with facials, manicures, treats, free teacher resources and more. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

### Play, discovery and family time at the Boca Raton Children's Museum

Sundays 12 - 4 p.m.  
Wednesdays 1:30 - 5 p.m.

Enjoy the freedom of imagination and play with your child! Experience all the fun the Museum has to offer along with specially designed art projects adapted for children with varying abilities. This event is exclusive for children with special needs and their families. [Click here](#) to learn more.

## Trainings

**Free job training programs with Boca Helping Hands**

1500 NW 1st Ct.,  
Boca Raton

Boca Helping Hands offers no-cost training programs to earn certifications in industries like hospitality, customer service, home health aid and IT help desk technicians. For more information and to complete and application, [click here](#).

**Circle of Moms: Free emotional support group**

Throughout February  
West Palm Beach and Lantana locations

Talking with other moms who are experiencing the same feelings as you can help. Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies' peer-to-peer emotional support groups allow you to share your own feelings or just listen. [Click here](#) to learn more, view upcoming classes and to register.

**Save the date: Diabetes Coalition of Palm Beach County Symposium**

Friday, April 27  
8 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.  
Scripps Research Institute  
130 Scripps Way, Bldg B  
Jupiter

The Diabetes Coalition of Palm Beach County is hosting its third annual diabetes educational symposium for healthcare providers and professionals. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

**Sugar Sand Park's programs and activities for special needs kids**

The Community Center at Sugar Sand Park offers various classes, parent workshops and activities for special needs children and their families. Don't miss upcoming events like the Sunday sensory-friendly movies, the free Especially For Kids family event and the children's explorium. For more information, [click here](#) to view their Spring 2018 flyer.

**Strengthening trauma-informed systems to support young children**

Thursday, March 15  
8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Fifteenth Judicial Court  
205 N. Dixie Highway

**Free training: Developing Multicultural Competency**

Wednesday, March 14  
9 - 11:30 a.m.  
Highridge Family Center 4200 N.  
Australian Ave.,  
West Palm Beach

The Youth Services Department (YSD) will offer the training "Developing Multicultural Competency" presented by Laura Cruz, Ph.D. This course offers 2 CE credits for psychologists, LCSW's, LMFT's and LMHC's. There is no fee for the program. Registration form must be received by March 13. Seating is limited. [Click here](#) to register.

**FirstPlay classes for newborns and parents!**

The Children's Healing Institute is offering free classes in FirstPlay throughout Palm Beach County for newborns and their parents. FirstPlay teaches parents a new way to bond with their babies through storytelling and touch. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

**Parent Aide Program at the Children's Healing Institute**

Through the evidence-based Parent Aide Mentoring Program, the Children's Healing Institute provides a strong, consistent support system for at-risk families. Parents are matched with a highly qualified mentor who visits the home on a weekly basis for 6-12 months. Parent Aide mentors provide intensive support, information, and modeling of effective parenting - all in the home of the family. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Parent seminar at Grandma's Place**

Grandma's Place  
184 Sparrow Drive  
Royal Palm Beach  
March 7 and 15  
April 5 and 12  
May 3 and 10  
6 - 7 p.m.

Parents are invited to join Grandma's Place for three evenings dedicated to helping families with behavior, communication and social skills. Respite care will be provided during the training. RSVP by calling 561.753.2226 or email [laura@grandmasplacepb.org](mailto:laura@grandmasplacepb.org).

**Free training: The Negative Impact of Social Media on Youth**

Wednesday, March 21  
9 - 11:30 a.m.  
Highridge Family Center  
4200 N. Australian Ave.,  
West Palm Beach

The Youth Services Department (YSD) will offer the training "The Negative Impact of Social Media on Youth" presented by Stephanie Larsen, Psy.D. This course offers 2 CE credits for psychologists, LCSW's, LMFT's and LMHC's. There is no fee for the program. Registration form must be received by March 20. Seating is limited. [Click here](#) to register.

**REST Companion trainings**

March 14, 24 and 26  
Times and locations vary, see the links below.

REST, Respite Education and Support Tools, is a unique, interactive training program, where you will receive the education and tools needed to be confident and successful in providing respite care to adults and children. Click the links below to multiple trainings throughout the county:

- [March 14 at FAU in Jupiter](#)
- [March 24 at the Boca Raton Children's Museum](#)
- [March 26 at Grace Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall](#)

**Workshops for pregnant families**

Tuesdays, 6 - 8 p.m.  
Saturdays 9 a.m. - noon  
901 Northpoint Pkwy Suite 400, West Palm Beach

Are you pregnant and worried about breastfeeding or newborn care? Have questions about how to make healthy lifestyle choices for you and your growing family and still live on a budget? Join Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies for its Small Steps, Great Parents workshops for pregnant women and their support partners. [Click here](#) to register.

**Save the date for the 2018 First 1,000 Days Summit**

Sept. 26 - 28, 2018  
Palm Beach County Convention Center

Mark your calendar and plan to attend this statewide multi-disciplinary, cross-sector conference focusing on science, skill-building and advocacy for home visitors and other early childhood staff serving expectant and new families with children through age 3. [Learn more here](#).

**Nonprofits First workshops**

Nonprofits First's monthly calendar of new and ongoing workshops are designed to develop every area of an organization from front line employees to executives, and from

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If you work in the in the field of early childhood mental health, as a mental health professional, judge, attorney, or case manager - you won't want to miss this important workshop! From this workshop, participants will have a better understanding of child development for ages 0-3 and how systems can benefit from being trauma-focused and informed on infant mental health. [Click here](#) to register.

startups to established businesses. [Click here](#) to view the calendar and workshops that are offered this month.

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## Enhance your hiring search with free job postings

Children's Services Council continues to offer free job postings for CSC-funded providers in Palm Beach County. For job openings at CSC-funded agencies, [click here](#).

If you are a CSC-funded agency, contact Paulina Rudzinska at [Paulina.Rudzinska@cscpb.org](mailto:Paulina.Rudzinska@cscpb.org) to post a position on CSC's website.

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## Additional Resources

[Visit the CSC website](#)  
[CSC Employment](#)  
[CSC Provider Agency Employment](#)  
[Search for Trainings](#)

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## Do you have information for the MMU?

Email your MMU submission to [mmu@cscpb.org](mailto:mmu@cscpb.org). [Click here](#) to review the MMU Submission Guidelines.

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[Sign up for the MMU!](#)

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