



# MARION COUNTY CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

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Date

**APRIL 13, 2019**

**8 AM RACE BEGINS AT MTI**  
1614 E. Fort King St., Ocala FL 34471

**7 AM SIGN-UP**  
Package and T-shirt

\$25 per adult • \$10 for kids (under 10)

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## **Our Vision**

For all of Marion County's children to have a safe, healthy and nurturing environment in which to grow

## **Our Mission**

To improve the lives of Marion County children by providing resources which enable nonprofit organizations serving these children to operate more effectively and by providing safe, effective services of the highest quality.

## **The Marion County Children's Alliance is supported by:**

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# Please Join Us

*You are cordially invited to*



Ocala Family  
Resource Center

## OPEN HOUSE AND CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH KICK-OFF

Monday, April 1st, 2019

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Ocala Family Resource Center  
215 NW Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.



Join us as we recognize the start of Child Abuse Prevention Month; acknowledge honorees for their work with the children we serve, and vote for our "Hands are not for Hitting" contest winners.



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# Lunch-n-Learn



**"THE EFFECTS OF CHILD ABUSE ON CHILDREN"**  
sponsored by the Family Violence Prevention Workgroup

~ Guest Speaker ~

Thursday, April 4, 2019

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Marion County Sheriff's Office

Multi-purpose Room

3300 N.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL 34475



Robert Redding,  
Program Administrator  
Florida Department of Children and Families

~ Survivor Story ~

**Brittinie Rooney**

**PLUS**

**Community Panel on Child Abuse**

Local experts share their expertise



*"It shouldn't  
hurt to be  
a child."*

Seating is limited. Lunch provided. R.S.V.P for lunch by March 28.

To reserve a seat or for more information, call (352) 438-5990 or register online at <https://capreventionworkshop.eventbrite.com>.



**IT'S BACK ~ SAVE - THE - DATE**

**16th Annual**

# BACK 2 SCHOOL

**Sponsored by**

Marion County Children's Alliance, Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. and the City of Ocala

**Saturday, July 27, 2019**

**10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Ed Croskey Center,**

**1510 N.W. 4th St., Ocala**

**FREE BACKPACKS AND  
SCHOOL SUPPLIES  
CHILDREN **MUST** ATTEND TO  
RECEIVE BACKPACK!**

**~ EVERYTHING IS FREE ~**



For information, vendor and sponsorship opportunities or to donate school supplies, call (352) 438-5990 or (352) 509-9279 or go to <https://2019b2sbash.eventbrite.com>.

# Sixteenth Annual Back to School Bash



Saturday, July 27, 2019

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ed Croskey Center

1510 N.W. 4th St., Ocala, FL 34475

## Sponsored by:

Marion County Children's Alliance, Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida Inc., and the City of Ocala.



## VENDOR TABLE REGISTRATION FEE

- Nonprofit organizations - \$25
- For-profit agencies or businesses - \$50
- FREE** with a Backpack, Gold, Silver or Bronze Sponsorship



**Please Note:** Vendors **CANNOT** sell anything at this event. Everything **MUST** be free!

Make checks payable to Marion County Children's Alliance and mail or drop your registration form and fee off to 3482 N.W. 10th St., Ocala, FL 34475.

For more information, call Patricia at **(352) 438-5990**.

**Due to space limitations, registration form and vendor fee must be received at the same time to reserve a table (NO EXCEPTIONS)**

## **Back to School Vendor Table Reservation Form**

Booth Space is limited and will be assigned on a first come, first served basis when **FEE** is received. No Booth will be reserved unless payment is submitted with the registration form. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

ORGANIZATION/AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**A TABLE AND 2 CHAIRS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR PARTICIPATING AGENCIES.  
AGENCIES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING ANY ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES/MATERIALS THEY NEED.  
Vendor Space based on space availability. First come, first served.**

**OFFICE USE ONLY:** DATE REGISTRATION RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_ VENDOR FEE RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_

**Booth confirmations will be sent via e-mail only when form and registration fee is received.**



# Safe Kids in the Community



Safe Kids Marion assisted with properly fitting and providing 153 students with bike helmets at Eighth Street Elementary.

Since the beginning of the year, Safe Kids Marion has participated in bike rodeos at Eighth Street Elementary, Harbour View Elementary and Maplewood Elementary, educating youth on bike and helmet safety. They are looking forward to their continual partnership with Marion County Schools for future bike rodeos.



**SAFE  
K:DS**  
MARION COUNTY



Participants discuss how to avoid common misuses when installing a car seat.

Safe Kids Marion hosted a Child-Passenger Safety certification course in February taught by two certified instructors. A total of Nine people became certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians and have been trained on proper car seat installation and how to assist caregivers with car seat safety. Agencies represented were the Florida Department of Health, Early Learning Coalition, Boys and Girls Club and Healthy Start.

# ~ AGENCY SPOTLIGHT ~

## College of Central Florida

3001 S.W. College Rd., Ocala, FL 34474

with additional sites in Marion, Citrus and Levy Counties including the Vintage Farm Campus and Appleton Museum of Art

President: Dr. James Henningsen

**Phone:** (352) 873-5800    **Website:** [www.CF.edu](http://www.CF.edu)    **E-mail:** [cinfo@cf.edu](mailto:cinfo@cf.edu)

**Mission:** We transform lives and enrich our community by providing a supportive, high quality learning environment that prepares individuals to excel in work and life.



The College of Central Florida (CF) serves approximately **11,000** students each year, and works with hundreds of community partners who provide guidance for academic offerings as advisory board members, who provide opportunities for internships and clinical sites for students, and who ultimately employ CF graduates.

CF offers certificates, associate and bachelor's degrees in more than 140 academic pathways. Students can find a career in a field that they love in the areas of health care, business and technology, criminal justice, education and more. The Appleton Museum of Art, College of Central Florida, is a leading cultural center that enriches the quality of life for the people of Central Florida and beyond.

## **FIRST ANNUAL EMPOWERMENT EXPO**

# **WE'RE LOOKING FOR NEW PARTNERS**

The Greater Ocala Development Corporation (GOCDC) in partnership with Reginald Landers is sponsoring our First Annual Empowerment Expo.

Our goal is to empower job seekers with all of the skills and tools necessary to obtain regular employment, as well as support for a more sustainable personal life. We are looking for partnerships with nonprofit organizations that provide services such as literacy, interviewing skills, managing money, building relationships, community activism, etc. At GOCDC, we understand empowerment is about building the whole person in order to build a stronger community .

The event is free for our partners and lunch will be served. Please contact us with any questions and we look forward to your participation.

## **EMPOWERMENT EXPO 2019**

College of Central Florida Hampton Center

April 11th, 2019

10 am - 1 pm

RSVP @ [Elgin.Carelock@gmail.com](mailto:Elgin.Carelock@gmail.com)

For more information visit [www.GOCDC.org](http://www.GOCDC.org)





JOIN US FOR THE MTRA INAUGURAL EASTER EGG HUNT  
 Hunt will be specially designed for all including CHILDREN  
 with disabilities

**Saturday, April 20, 2019**  
**From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

Easter egg hunt /prizes  
 Pictures with horses  
 Games  
 Refreshments

Please bring a non-perishable food item to  
 donate to the SOZO kids food bank

RSVP TO MTRA (352) 732-7300  
 6850 SE 41ST CT, OCALA, FLORIDA 34480



**FREE REGISTRATION**  
[bit.ly/LSFhealth](http://bit.ly/LSFhealth)



**KAY WARREN**  
 Keynote Speaker

As a writer, speaker and wife of Rick Warren, author of *The Purpose Driven Life*, Kay is a tireless advocate for those living with mental illness. She founded Saddleback's Hope for Mental Health Initiative and is a board member of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention.

**RURAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SUMMIT**

**WORKING TOGETHER**  
 Building Healthy Communities

May 23, 2019  
 9am to 4pm  
 Mt Carmel Baptist Church,  
 2505 NE 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32641

Rural communities are faced with challenges different than those of more urban areas. Resources are limited, especially when it comes to programs for substance abuse recovery and mental health services for those we love. However, rural communities possess qualities and hidden gems that other areas do not. This summit will focus on discovering those hidden gems and enhancing the strengths your community contains to improve services for those struggling with substance abuse, mental health problems or suicidal thoughts, including the role the local church plays in the health of our community.

For more information contact: Lesley Hersey, [Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org](mailto:Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org)

**PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKERS**

**Building Resilient Communities**  
**Trauma Informed Conversations**  
 Dr. Jenenne Valentino-Bottaro,  
 LifeStream Behavioral Health

**Starting a Recovery Ministry**  
 in Your Rural Church  
 Andy Reynolds, Devereux

**TeleHealth -**  
**Bridging Access to Care**  
 Don Savoie,  
 Meridian Behavioral Health

**Mental Health & the Bible**  
 Pastor Lenny Cote, The Springs  
 Church

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## EMPOWERED TO CONNECT CONFERENCE



April 5th & 6th 9:30am-6pm  
 One Life Fellowship Ocala  
 \$25/\$40 for couples ticket  
 (\$35 starting March 1st, lunch included both days)  
 Connect Kids Program FREE

This two-day simulcast features Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®), developed by Dr. Karyn Purvis and Dr. David Cross from the Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development. This evidenced-based approach provides a deep understanding of the impact of trauma and practical tools proven to help children heal.

Connect Kids is a low-cost childcare experience with TBRI® trained buddies. Children will be taught relational and regulation skills through play. They'll enjoy yoga, music, games, TBRI® Nurture Groups, crafts & more!

Earn up to 11 foster training hours

11 CEUs from the National Association of Social Workers & the National Board of Certified Counselors

REGISTER at:

[thepearlproject.ticketleap.com](http://thepearlproject.ticketleap.com)

For more information, contact Joy Zedler at [joy@thepearlprojectcf.org](mailto:joy@thepearlprojectcf.org) or 352-405-5005



## ARE YOU A VETERAN?

- \*Have you served in the military?
- \*Are you struggling with readjustment?
- \*Anxious about your future?
- \*Struggling to connect with friends and family?
- \*Need a place to talk about day to day problems with other Veterans?

### WE CAN HELP

## FREE VETERAN PEER SUPPORT GROUP

Integration and Healing Center Inc. host  
 a weekly peer support group for  
 Veterans please contact us for more  
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The Cascades  
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 Ocala, FL 34470  
 (352)355-2888



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**Creating Hope**

**for the Future.**

## **Crime Victims Have Rights!**

Did you know.....

- ° Stalking affects 3.4 million people over the age of 18 each year
- ° One in 5 teens has experienced violence in a dating relationship
- ° About 20 elderly people die in Florida every week from homicide/suicide
  - ° One person is murdered every 31 minutes in the U.S.
- ° 1 in 4 girls & 1 in 6 boys are victims of sexual abuse before the age of 18
- ° 1 in 4 women & 1 in 7 men have been victims of severe domestic violence in their lifetime
- ° Over 2300 domestic/dating violence cases & 13 domestic homicides in Marion County in 2018

### **Crime Victims' Rights Week Activities**

April 9 - Day of Sharing- 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Drop off donations for the domestic violence shelter at the Ocala Police Department Community Room

April 10 - 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Senior Workshop at Marion Woods

April 11 at noon - Victims' Remembrance Ceremony at the Court House Jury assembly room - Call **(352) 671-5800** for any questions

April 13 - Kimberly's 8th Annual Race Against Child Abuse 5K 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Marion Technical Institute (MTI). Race starts at 8 a.m. Register at [kcrace.com](http://kcrace.com)

**\*\*Call (352) 369-7139 or (352) 369-7134 for any questions**

Free presentations on teen dating violence, human trafficking & domestic/dating violence call to schedule.

**Victim Advocates help victims understand and cope with the impact of crime.  
If you or someone you know is a victim of crime-**

**HELP IS AVAILABLE – for more information contact:**

**State Attorney's Office  
Marion County Sheriff's Dept.**

**352.671.5800  
352.732.9111**

**Ocala Police Department  
Kimberly's Center**

**352.369.7139  
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## Critical Items Needed

### Cleaning

- Laundry detergent
- Large garbage bags
- Tall kitchen garbage bags
- Glass Cleaner
- Surface Disinfectant

### Supplies

- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Tissues
- Ziploc bags (All sizes)

### Food

- Meat (Chicken, Pork, Beef, Turkey, Hamburger, Hotdogs, Etc.)
- Can soup
- Boxed Food
- Milk
- Cheese
- Eggs
- Bread

### Health

- Antifungal cream & Spray (For feet)
- Antibiotic ointment
- Ibuprofen
- Children's Medicine
- Band-Aids
- Antacids
- Oral Allergy Medicine
- Nasal Spray (For allergies)

### Children

- Diapers sizes 4 - 6
- Baby wipes
- Pull-Ups (Both boy's & girl's)
- Nasal aspirators
- Fast read thermometers
- Orajel
- Baby powder
- Diaper rash cream

### Hygiene

- Hair brushes
- Tampons & Pads
- Hand Soap
- Bar Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Mouthwash

### Linens

- New pillows
- Twin sheets
- Pillow cases
- Towels

### New Clothing

(All women, girl, & boy sizes)

- Underwear
- Bras
- Socks
- Shoes

### Household Items

- Furniture
- Decor Items
- Kitchen Items

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The Ocala Marion County  
Domestic Violence & Sexual  
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# CASINO ROYALE

## SPEAKEASY

— APRIL 12, 2019 —

HOLIDAY INN HOTEL & SUITES CONFERENCE CENTER

**K**nock three times, whisper the password, and step behind the secret door to the best party this side of the Roaring Twenties. The giggle water's cold, the casino games are red hot, and the cause is swell: helping abused and neglected children in our community.

**T**his swanky celebration's sure to be the cat's meow. So put on your best glad rags, grab your favorite dame or fella, and ankle it on over. Ya follow?



**E**njoy a fun-filled evening of cool casino action benefiting abused and neglected children in our community! Tickets are regularly priced \$75. Get a spectacular discount rate of Two tickets for \$125 online at [KCIcasino2019.eventbrite.com](http://KCIcasino2019.eventbrite.com).

- Featuring Craps, Blackjack Roulette, a Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, and Slot-Style Games!
- Use your winnings to bid on plenty of fabulous prizes!
- Spirits provided by Fish Hawk Distillery.
- Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

**P**lease contact Mandy Intravaia at [352.387.3426](tel:352.387.3426) to learn more about the event, or to become a sponsor.



Kids Central, Inc. is the nonprofit lead agency selected by the State of Florida to coordinate child welfare services in Citrus, Hernando, Lake, Marion, and Sumter Counties. The proceeds of this event will benefit Kids Central, Inc.





# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

PROCEEDS BENEFIT:  **KIDS CENTRAL, INC.®**  
*Building Better Lives*

## THE BEE'S KNEES

**PRESENTING SPONSOR | \$7,500**

- Industry-exclusivity
- Naming rights on private VIP "High-Rollers" Poker Room
- Top billing throughout the event, including all promotional materials and press coverage
- Sponsor of signature event space (photo booth, bar area, etc.)
- Sponsorship and advertising on three casino tables, including the ability to dress dealers in your company's shirt
- Recognition in the Kids Central Annual Report, Newsletters, KidsCentral website, and customized social media post
- Company logo on "ticket" being mailed to each attendee
- Ad in local publication as a "thank you" to our sponsors
- Opportunity to give a company promo item to each guest
- Full-page ad in the event program
- Ten event tickets
- VIP Lounge Access

## THE CAT'S MEOW

**PLATINUM SPONSOR | \$5,000**

- Industry-exclusivity
- Top billing throughout the event, including all promotional materials and press coverage
- Sponsorship and advertising on two casino tables, including the ability to dress dealers in your company's shirt
- Sponsor of a signature event space (photo booth, bar area, etc.)
- Full-page ad in the event program
- Ad in local publication as a "thank you" to our sponsors
- Company logo on "ticket" being mailed to each attendee
- Eight event tickets
- Recognition in the Kids Central Annual Report, Newsletters, KidsCentral website, and customized social media post
- Opportunity to give a company promo item to each guest

## THE BLIND PIG

**GOLD SPONSOR | \$3,500**

- Prominent display of company logo on promotional materials and press coverage after event
- Sponsorship and advertising on two casino tables, including the ability to dress dealers in your company's shirt
- Sponsor of signature event space (photo booth, bar area, etc.)
- Half-page ad in the event program
- Recognition in the Kids Central Annual Report, Newsletters, KidsCentral website, and customized social media post
- Six event tickets
- Ad in local publication as a "thank you" to our sponsors
- Company logo on ticket being mailed to each attendee

## SKID ROW

**SILVER SPONSOR | \$1,920**

- Sponsorship and advertising on one casino table, including the ability to dress dealers in your company's shirt
- Company recognition on promotional materials and advertising
- Half-page ad in the event program
- Recognition in the Kids Central Annual Report and on the Kids Central website
- Four event tickets

## BOOTLEGGERS

**BRONZE SPONSOR | \$750**

- Company recognition on promotional materials and website
- Two event tickets
- Quarter-page ad in the event program
- Recognition in the Kids Central Annual Report and Kids Central website

**CUSTOM OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**

### ARE YOU HIP TO HELP?

Contact Mandy Intravaia at [Communications@KidsCentralinc.org](mailto:Communications@KidsCentralinc.org), call **352.387.3426** or visit [KidsCentralinc.org](http://KidsCentralinc.org)



# 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CIRCUIT 5 HUMAN TRAFFICKING SYMPOSIUM

**When:** Thursday, June 20, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Where:** Oxford Assembly of God, 12114 US-301,  
Oxford, FL 34484 (Sumter County)

**Register:**

<https://reg131.imperisoft.com/LSF/ProgramDetail/3339383837/Registration.aspx>



Training is open to all agencies that are in contact with victims of Human Trafficking but is focused towards Law Enforcement, State Attorney's Office, Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice Professionals, CSUs, Hospitals, Medical Professionals and Faith-Based Groups. Training is FREE. CEU's available for \$15. Approved Provider 50-16467 by Florida board of clinical social work, marriage and family therapy and mental health and Florida board of psychology. Contact Lesley Hersey for more information at [Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org](mailto:Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org)



The Human Trafficking Task Force is a network of governmental & non-governmental agencies working together to end modern day slavery



# "3rd Annual Circuit 5 Human Trafficking Symposium"

Thursday, June 20, 2019

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Oxford Assembly of God

12114 N US HWY 301, Oxford, FL 34484

## AGENCY INFORMATION:

Organization/Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Type/Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list services and information to be provided at the symposium:

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## EVENT POLICIES:

Vendor Forms must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, May 17, 2019. Vendor space is limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Vendor set up will take place between 7:45am-8:30am on Thursday, June 20, 2019. Vendors must arrive on time and be fully set up by 8:30am.

Vendors are responsible for their own tables, chairs, extension cords, displays, etc.

DCF, LSF Health Systems, nor Oxford Assembly of God is to be held responsible for any lost or damaged items.

DCF and LSF Health Systems reserve the right to decline a vendor request for any reason.

**Vendor Contact Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit completed form to **Lesley.hersey@lsfnet.org**, cc: **joelle.aboytes@myflfamilies.com** you will receive a confirmation email and event reminder at the email address provided on the form.

# Pace Derby Day 5k & 10k



May 4, 2019  
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
Florida Horse Park  
11008 South Hwy 475  
Ocala, FL 34480

Sign Up Online:

<http://pacederbyday.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=10838>

For sponsorship opportunities or to get more information on the Derby Day, contact [Vanessa.dennis@pacecenter.org](mailto:Vanessa.dennis@pacecenter.org) or call **(352) 369-0571** ext. 3017

## FREE FOOD AVAILABLE

Is your organization hosting an event? Is your church doing Vacation Bible School during Summer Break? If so and you would like to feed the kids at your event for free, please call Shores Assembly of God at **(352) 687-0190** or e-mail us at [Shoresag@hotmail.com](mailto:Shoresag@hotmail.com) and leave your contact information and we will contact you as soon as possible.



Shores Assembly of God is preparing for summer. Registration for summer camp, (June 3 - August 2, Monday - Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.) is now open. For more information call the church office at **(352) 687-0190**.

## Believing In Me Gala

*Pace Center for Girls – Marion*

*April 18, 2019*



Location: Southeastern Livestock Pavilion Auditorium

Time: 5:00-8:00 pm

Volunteers and donations needed!

Volunteers: Set-up & breakdown, chaperones, music & photography

Donations Needed: Dresses, shoes, hair & makeup, accessories, Food & drinks, decorations

Contact: Kimberly Vollmer-Smith

Email: [Kimberly.vollmer@pacecenter.org](mailto:Kimberly.vollmer@pacecenter.org)

(352) 369-0571 Ext: 3022







# How Happy Are You?

## Happiness Assessments done here!

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Issues - Addiction -  
Stress & More**

*Your Organization's Information Goes Here!*

Call Gerry Brent for more information or to sign up at (352) 236-0483 or e-mail [gerrybrentnami@gmail.com](mailto:gerrybrentnami@gmail.com)

*Mental Wellness Now: Help & Hope suggests that this screening is a good starting point to discuss potential treatments with your physician or other health care practitioner. Mental health conditions are complex, people differ widely in their conditions and responses, and interactions with other conditions and treatments are best evaluated by a physical examination and consultation with a qualified mental health professional.*

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# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: CAN YOU HELP?**

## **Project L.I.F.T. is in need of Volunteers!!**

Project Lift is a program serving at-risk boys in the Dunnellon and surrounding areas. We meet Monday - Thursday  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and after school 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

*We help guide them to learn a vocation, get a diploma  
and receive mental health/substance abuse*

*If you would be interested in partnering with us, we would love to have you!*

You can reach out to Jimmy Page at (772) 206-6142 or (352) 465-9009



We need Volunteers. Whether you can help one afternoon or 4 days, we would love to have you help make a difference in lives of youth!

**Bike Repair, Screen Printing,  
Appliance & Small Engine Repair, Electrical,  
Plumbing, Carpentry, Gardening, Masonry, Painting,  
Roofing, Flooring, Boat Repair, HVAC,  
Large Machinery Operation (*bulldozers, forklift, etc.*)**





# FREE CERTIFICATION

**June 14, 2019 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Ocala Police Department Community Room  
402 S. Pine Ave.  
Ocala, FL 34471

Just as CPR helps you assist an individual having a heart attack — even if you have no clinical training — Mental Health First Aid helps you assist someone experiencing a mental health related crisis. In the Mental Health First Aid course, you learn risk factors and warning signs for mental health and addiction concerns, strategies for how to help someone in both crisis and non-crisis situations, and where to turn for help.

Taught by two certified instructors, Mental Health First Aid (Adult) teaches about **recovery** and **resiliency** – the belief that individuals experiencing these challenges can and do get better and use their strengths to stay well.

Learn how to apply the Mental Health First Aid action plan in a variety of situations, including when someone is experiencing panic attacks, suicidal behaviors, acute psychosis or reaction to trauma. The opportunity to practice – through role plays, scenarios, and activities – makes it easier to apply these skills in a real-life situation.

## What You Learn:

-  Signs of addictions and mental illnesses
-  Impact of mental and substance use disorders
-  5-step action plan to assess a situation and help
-  Local resources and where to turn for help

**8 Hour Course Includes:** Workbook and Certificate of Certification

To register visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/adult-mental-health-first-aid-class-tickets-57901247189>

For more information, contact Nancy Castillo, Marion County Children's Alliance Prevention Coordinator at 352-438-5992 or via email [nancy@mcchildrensalliance.org](mailto:nancy@mcchildrensalliance.org)





**Saturday | Sept. 14, 2019 | 10am - 2pm**

## **Join us at Tuscawilla Park**

To celebrate recovery and increase awareness for those struggling with mental or substance use disorders

*Listen to great music, taste local food, share your story and learn about the services available to help with recovery.*



*Various business and healthcare vendors from the community will also be offering services on site.*

Businesses or individuals looking to get involved or sponsor the 3rd Annual Ocala Recovery Fest, please contact Nancy Castillo at (352) 438-5992 or [nancy@mcchildrensalliance.org](mailto:nancy@mcchildrensalliance.org) for more information.





## Non for-Profit Vendor Table Reservation Form

BUSINESS/AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR PRODUCT OR SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Vendors accepted on a First Come, First Served basis. Space limited to the first 15 Vendors**

**VENDORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BRINGING TABLE, CHAIRS, TENT, AND ANY ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES/MATERIALS NEEDED. POWER OUTLETS ARE NOT AVAILABLE.**

**Form and Registration \$25 Fee MUST be submitted at the same time.**

Please mail to Marion County Children's Alliance at 3482 NW 10th St.; Ocala, Fl. 34475

For questions or more information, please contact Debbie Orr at  
**(407) 697-9638** or via e-mail **dorripinto@aol.com**

**Vendor confirmations will be sent via e-mail when booth space is confirmed.**

**OFFICE USE ONLY:** DATE REGISTRATION RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_ VENDOR FEE RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_

## Exploring the Culture of Youth Sports



1.24 million kids were seen in emergency rooms for sports injuries in 2013.



That's 3,397 every day



141 every hour



1 every 25 seconds.

Among children ages 19 and under, 13 to 15-year-olds accounted for the largest number of injuries.



90% of athletes said they have been injured while playing a sport.



Many respondents said they **don't do anything** to prevent injuries.



54% of athletes said they have **played injured**.

Fewer than half of coaches say they have received **certification** on how to prevent and recognize sport injuries.



### WE ASKED WHY

"I was needed and couldn't let the team down."  
"I didn't want to be benched."  
"It was an important game."

80% of parents said they would want their child's coach to be certified in injury prevention.



42% of athletes said they have **hidden or downplayed an injury** during a game so they could keep playing.



More than half of coaches (53%) say they have felt pressure from a parent or player to put an athlete back into a game if a child has been injured.



33% of athletes have been injured as the result of **dirty play** from an opponent.



73% of athletes say they have been **yelled at** by a coach.

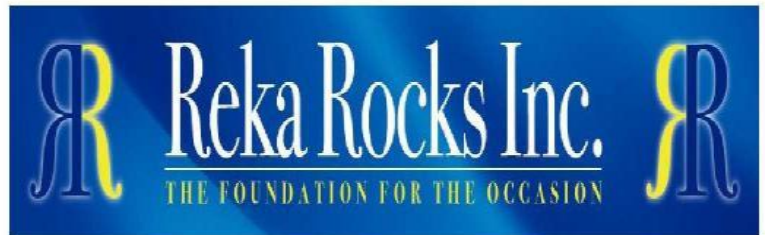


28% of athletes agree that it is normal to commit hard fouls and play rough to 'send a message' during a game.

## Strategies for Smart Play

- **Set the ground rules at the beginning of the season.** Coaches bring together parents and athletes before the season begins to agree on the team's approach to prevent injuries.
- **Teach athletes ways to prevent injuries.** Proper technique, strength training, warm-up exercises and stretching can go a long way to prevent injuries.
- **Prevent overuse injuries.** Encourage athletes to take time off from playing only one sport to prevent overuse injuries and give them an opportunity to get stronger and develop skills learned in another sport.
- **Encourage athletes to speak up when they're injured.** Remove injured athletes from play.
- **Put an end to dirty play and rule breaking.** Call fouls that could cause injuries.
- **Get certified.** Learn first aid, CPR, AED use and injury prevention skills.

**SAFE KIDS**  
WORLDWIDE  
safekids.org



## Seeking Mother/Child duos for Fashion Show Event

Reka Rocks Inc. is gearing up for the 4th Edition of its Mother's Day Celebration!

If you and your child would like to participate, please contact Tereka Louise.

Space is very limited so please respond ASAP!

There will be an Open House for this event on April 6, at 3 p.m. in Room B at the Marion County Public Library Headquarters, 2720 E. Silver Springs Blvd.

Reka Rocks Bling & Beauty (RRB&B) will also be hosting a fundraiser. Beauty Products, Skin Care and Jewelry will be available for purchase.

For more details, please call (910) 374-3215 or email [rekarocksinc@gmail.com](mailto:rekarocksinc@gmail.com)

## VIRTUAL SUPPORT GROUP MEETING FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS

Bean Bag Session: We are survivors by New Visions Ministries of Florida, Inc.

April 10 and 24

9 p.m. EST/ 8 p.m. CST

Virtual setting support meeting for survivors of and those still suffering from domestic violence and/or sexual violence.

*The call is anonymous unless you choose to introduce yourself.*

Dial-in number **(712) 775-7031**  
Access code: **736842**

Video and Screen Sharing  
Online meeting ID: **\*\*\*preciousswain\*\*\***

Online meeting link:  
**<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/preciousswain>**





# START SMART SOCCER

AGES 3-5

Wednesdays  
April 10 - May 15  
6 to 7 p.m.  
Ocala Regional Sportsplex  
3500 SW 67th Ave. Rd.

Get your child excited about sports without the pressure of competition. Learn the basics of kicking, dribbling, trapping, throw-ins and more. Participants must wear closed toe shoes.

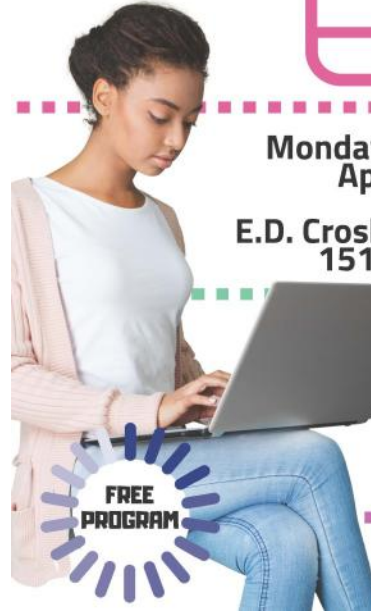


Looking for coaches and volunteers!

Register online at [www.ocalafl.org/recpark](http://www.ocalafl.org/recpark) or call (352) 368-5517.



AGES 13+



Mondays and Wednesdays  
April 15 - May 22  
6 to 7 p.m.  
E.D. Croskey Recreation Center  
1510 NW Fourth St.

Learn basic computer skills including typing, an introduction to documents and coding basics!

FREE PROGRAM

For more information, call (352) 368-5517.

## 2019 Publix Diaper Drive

By: Cody Hosford

What if someone told you that your county could have a warehouse of over 100,000 diapers to be freely distributed to families in need? What if you were told that all it takes to create such a resource was a little collaboration over just a few weeks? Between the end of February and the beginning of March the Early Learning Coalition of Marion County's Success By 6 Coordinator,

Chrissy Vickers, collaborated with local Publix stores for an annual diaper drive.

Publix associates encouraged customers at the register to donate a pack of diapers or wipes to be distributed to local families in need.

If any community partners need diapers to distribute, please contact Chrissy Vickers at (352) 369-2315, extension 213; or at [cvickers@elc-marion.org](mailto:cvickers@elc-marion.org).



# START SMART T-BALL

AGES 3-5

Wednesdays  
April 10 - May 15  
6 to 7 p.m.  
Jervey Gantt T-Ball Fields  
2200 SE 36th Ave.

Get your child excited about sports! This program teaches the fundamentals of T-Ball and teamwork. You can bring your own equipment or use what is supplied.



Register online at [www.ocalafl.org/recpark](http://www.ocalafl.org/recpark) or call (352) 368-5517.



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## ALLIANCE WORKGROUP MEETINGS

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| April 8<br>Monday     | Family Violence Prevention<br>11 a.m. Sheriff's Office EOC |
| April 10<br>Wednesday | Safe Kids<br>9 a.m. FDOH Auditorium                        |
| April 15<br>Monday    | CCASA<br>noon, Ocala Police Dept.                          |
| April 16<br>Tuesday   | Building Better Dads<br>2:30 p.m. ELCMC                    |
| April 4<br>Thursday   | Heroin/Opioid Taskforce<br>3:30 p.m. OPD Community Rm.     |

## UPCOMING ALLIANCE DATES

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| April 3<br>Wednesday | Alliance Monthly Meeting<br>11:30 a.m. Jail Interim Building |
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### **Guest Speaker:**

Angelia Dietrich, Program Administrator  
Department of Children & Families  
"Drug Endangered Children and Plan of Safe Protocol"

### **Panel Discussion:**

#### **Panelists**

**Dr. Don Baracskey**, CEO & Medical Director  
The Centers

**Mark Lander**, Administrator  
Florida Dept. of Health in Marion County

**Dr. Michael Torres**, CMO  
Advent Health Ocala

**Jamie Ulmer**, CEO  
Heart of Florida Health Center

**Imelda "Imee" Unto**, CNO  
Advent Health Ocala

**Dr. Arthur "Art" Osberg**, CMO  
Ocala Health

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going on in our community; to sign  
up to receive a free copy of this  
newsletter or to join a workgroup.

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