



Brevard C.A.R.E.S.

**Executive Director Report
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Strengthening Families...Whatever It Takes!

Key accomplishment(s) this past month

- In early June, our staff attended a lunch and learn hosted by Palm Point. We learned about this new detox program and shared with them about our continued MRT expansion and Neighborhood Partnership Program. We had about 15 supervisors in attendance, and it was a great networking experience for all.
- We have officially onboarded our second MRT Therapist on the Melbourne Police Department Mobile Response Team. This position has been open for a significant amount of time, but we are excited to have Marjan join our team! This team is now fully staffed.
- We had five of our supervisors attend training to become Certified Child Welfare Supervisors. They learned a variety of topics, such as the importance of self-care, community feedback, implicit biases, and the various functions of supervision. In late May, all five graduated from their 40 hour training and now begin the process to become fully certified. We are very proud of all their hard work!
- Our Director of Prevention and Diversion, Heather Gibb, along with our Neighborhood Partnership Program Supervisor, Latoya Dukes, attended a Students in Transition meeting with Brevard Public Schools at Career Source Brevard. They were able to share about the NPP program and how to make referrals, as well as learn about the various resources offered by BPS. NPP staff continue to attend various outreach events and they continue to see an increase in referrals!

Key challenges moving forward

- We still have vacant positions that we are actively interviewing for and hope to fill in the near future.

Respectfully Submitted,

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