



Brevard C.A.R.E.S.

**Executive Director Report
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Executive Director

Strengthening Families...Whatever It Takes!

Key accomplishments

- We continue to partner with our co-workers in Orange, Osceola and Seminole to have discussions regarding diversion and prevention. We are all working together to share what is working, what is not working and put a plan in place to move forward. Beginning July 1st, Seminole County diversion staff will be joining together with current Brevard Cares staff. We will function as a Circuit moving forward and the same will happen for Circuit 9, under another leader. We already have some positions posted that will serve Seminole County and grow their already wonderful Prevention team that is in place. We are also expanding our Parenting with Love and Limits team to include a therapist and care coordinator who will serve Seminole County. We are excited for the changes and growth.
- We are moving forward with expanding our MRT Melbourne Police Department Team. We recently hired two new therapists and are now equipped to provide 24/7 coverage from Monday-Friday. Melbourne Police Department recently shared their appreciation for this team and that they are looking forward to the expansion as well.
- Recently, we have had several staff obtain their Child Welfare Certifications (Krystal Joseph and Kimberly Cone) and Child Welfare Supervisor Certifications (Lindsey Gregg). We are proud of them and their hard work!

Key challenges moving forward

- None at this time.

Upcoming Community Events / Any requests of the Board Members

- None at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca Melick
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