

One Voice for Volusia Coalition: members come together with the common goal of improving the quality of life in Volusia County using the power of research, consensus building and collaboration in order to drive systemic social change.

Our coalition (of 105 entities and counting) is an organization of nonprofit leaders working in concert with businesses, government, and philanthropies to mobilize on the issues and initiatives that matter most to this community based on current data and best practice approaches. We hosted over 300 different attendees this past year and had an average of 80 Community Leaders at each monthly meeting.

Come Join Us! Monthly Coalition Meetings:

2nd Wednesday, 9 to 10:30 am

1845 Holsonback Dr at the Florida Department of Health

Visit www.onevoiceforvolusia.org for more information.

Have something important to share? Sponsor a meeting and receive 5 minutes on the agenda plus promotion on our web. Julie@ovfv.org

The Community

Connector is an e-communication system designed to share important community information related to the social services field. The system has been designed to benefit professionals working in the non-profit sector. There are currently over 2,840 members and 752,916 email campaigns were sent in 2014.

Sign up for this FREE service to receive information about:

- Trainings
- Events
- Job Postings
- New programs and Agency updates
- Critical community issues

Find out more or sign up here:

<http://onevoiceforvolusia.org/community-connector/>

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The Community Agenda

initiative is a community engagement process to examine data and establish priorities to improve local health and human services in Flagler and Volusia Counties. The ninth annual updated *Community Agenda Snapshot* report is available at www.agendavf.org. In 2015 we distributed 250 flash drives with this and other vital community data to our stakeholders and we recorded 51,130 overall access visits in 2014.



The **thrive by five Collaborative** is an initiative of the Community Agenda. Member organizations meet regularly to improve the early childhood system of care for prenatal through age five years and their families.



ReadingPals is a joint project of United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties and the Children's Movement of Florida. This early literacy project is funded personally by Carol and Barney Barnett. Adult volunteers will work with children, pre-Kindergarten through first grade, to read books and enjoy literacy activities and discussions to increase the number of students reading at grade level by third grade. To volunteer, please call 386-366-9053 (Volusia) or 386-597-2950 (Flagler).

Help Me Grow offers free developmental screening, without waitlists or income limits. Activities that support healthy growth and learning. And community resources with referrals for evaluation and early intervention. If you have a concern about your child's development call 2-1-1



81% of our youth who do drink do so in their home or a friend's*. **Parents Who Host Lose the Most** is a vital campaign to address the repercussions of parent hosting..

DJJ reported Volusia County had 40.6 reports of delinquency per 1,000 youth, with the state comparatively having 27.4 per 1,000 youth in 2013. It is time for our youth and parents to **Know the Law**, a powerful 1 hour training and take home booklet that prevents delinquency now available to 7,000 of our youth and their families.

In a given 30 day period, almost 80% of Volusia County youth reported that they **did not** use drugs or alcohol and 81% of or youth who received A's and B;s reported NEVER using substances*. Youth who feel that their community supports them are less likely to engage in substance abuse. The **Friday Night Done Right** social norming campaign gives youth the real data coupled with opportunities to be with their peers in positive substance free environments.

Join the youth substance prevention movement today by calling 386-947-8301 or emailing michele@ovfv.org.

*Data from 2012 and 2014 FYSAS

Program Evaluation – Meeting Facilitation – Training Electronic Polling – Strategic Planning – Marketing

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