As always, we are busy here at the FACA office. The first quarter of our fiscal year has flown by and we are showing no signs of slowing down. In last month’s issue I encouraged everyone to embrace change. Often, we see change as our enemy or an ever-present obstacle, but I challenge you to change that thought process. Without fall and winter the earth has no means of resting and replenishing to make way for the spectacular weather of spring or the juicy fruits of summer.

Over the next months, the Florida network will undergo some changes itself. Some of our rock star executive directors are retiring. We are launching a full suite of webinars, undergoing a website soft refresh, working with financial institutions and other organizations to have a seat at the table and inform some of the innovative ideas on affordable housing efforts across the state and many other exciting new things.

As your executive director, I have a motto of leading by example. The association will continue to use change as the springboard to provide even greater benefits to the network and I encourage each of you to do the same.

Read on for more information on some of our new efforts.
Save the Date

Giving Tuesday is a global day of giving created as a philanthropic response to mega shopping days Black Friday and Cyber Monday. Observed on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, the purpose of Giving Tuesday is to motivate people to support their favorite causes or charitable organizations. FACA will participate in this year's Giving Tuesday event, which is Dec. 3. More information about our campaign will be forthcoming.

Training Opportunities

We promised regional training events and they're here! Topics include Census 2020, case management, and weatherization. For a complete list of trainings and for more information, click the button below.

Regional SHAH Training Schedule

Shah Software in November will host a series of FREE data tracking trainings throughout the state. Training topics include:

- System Set-Up, Client Intake, Editing Client Intake, Client Intake Reports
- Client Services, Outcomes (FNPIs), Clients’ Needs Assessment Preview of Log Reports and Assessment Reports
- Client Document Upload, Creation of Notice of Payment(s)
- LIHEAP Module, Preview of Reports from the LIHEAP Module
- Weatherization Module, Preview of Reports from the WX Module
- Utilities, Export Payment, Front Desk, Billing History, Volunteer Services, Appointment Manager
- Unduplicated Report(s), Service Log Report, Client Assessment/Client Assessment Report, LIHEAP Reports, Weatherization Reports

Please review the list below of training dates, times, and locations. Click the button for more information.

11/18 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Palm Beach
11/19 - 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. Orange County
11/20 - 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Central Florida
11/21 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. DEO - Tallahassee
11/22 - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Pensacola

Learn more
40th Annual Training Conference

Save the date! FACA’s 40th Annual Training Conference is scheduled for **May 13-15, 2020** at the West Fort Lauderdale Beach Resort. Pre-conference will take place on **May 12**. Request for Presenters and Early Bird Conference Registration coming soon!

Rooms must be reserved by **April 22**. Book yours today!

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**Job Opportunities**

Positions are available at these agencies in our network. Click the title to learn more.

- [Executive Director, Northeast Florida Community Action Agency, Inc.](#)
- [Executive Director, Pinellas Opportunity Council, Inc.](#)

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**Census 2020**

FACA recently was named the recipient of the Allegany Franciscan Ministries Tau Grant 2019 – 2020 – Cycle 1 funding in the amount of $10,000.

Tau Grants support outreach for the 2020 Census for organizations, programs, or initiatives working in targeted communities that have historically low rates of participation in the Census.

FACA will use the grant to work with civic organizations, local CAAs, faith-based organizations, and other non-profits in targeted counties to deliver workshops, provide resources, and participate in community-based events.

This is an awesome opportunity for FACA to further its mission to assist in the reduction of poverty in our state.

Our efforts will include training, technical assistance and advocacy for our low-income citizens and agencies who serve them in the impacted counties.

A special congrats to our new project coordinator Marcia. Because of her efforts, FACA was able to apply for the grant under a very tight timeline. Thank you Marcia!

Also, thank you to our RPIC Lead for sharing the grant announcement!
FACA Social Media

FACA is now on Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter! Follow us today for news and updates about organization events, people, and partners.