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"Linking Partnerships for Children in Florida"

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Fiscal Year 2016-2017 marked 29 years of service by One Church One Child of Florida in helping to increase permanency for children in the state’s child welfare system. Although One Church One Child is an inclusive agency, major focus is placed on recruiting families interested in adopting, fostering and mentoring minority and older children. This focus is driven by the state’s need and efforts to address the disparity and over representation of minority children in the foster care system.

One Church One Child is a model program which utilizes the effective grassroots approach of reaching out to the faith community, seeking active partnerships with churches and other religious entities to raise awareness and educate communities on the plight of children in foster care and the need to recruit families and individuals interested in adopting, fostering, or mentoring children in foster care.

Once again, One Church One Child is proud to report on its activities and successes in helping to increase the number of families coming forward to adopt, foster and/or mentor children. Also included in this report is an overview of efforts to recruit and sign up churches as resource partners to help support local efforts in communities across the state.

One Church One Child is led by volunteer Board Members along with dedicated Staff and local volunteers who serve alongside the Board on Local Advisory Committees. They are part of the overall outreach efforts in communities.

In this report special attention and appreciation is extended to the many churches, individuals, communities, businesses, foundations and governmental partners who have joined in partnership and commitment to help make a difference for Florida’s children who are in foster care and local families.

Sincerely,

Rev. Beverly Hills Lane
President

Dr. Arie Sailor
Executive Director/CEO

“Increasing permanency for Florida’s children through prevention, intervention, adoption promotion, and support for families.”
Vision

One Church One Child of Florida’s vision is to be the premier leader in supporting permanency for minority children through prevention of maltreatment, intervention, adoption promotion and support for families.

Mission

Our mission is to partner with churches and the greater community to increase permanency for minority children through prevention, intervention, adoption promotion, and family support services.