



**MEMORANDUM**

DATE: June 29, 2018

TO: Dr. Cheryl Brown  
Director/Council Secretary  
Jacksonville City Council

FROM: Joseph Pepper  
Chief Executive Officer  
Kids Hope Alliance

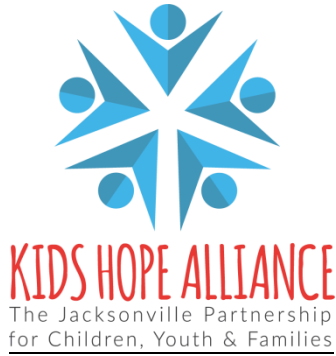
Re: Kids Hope Alliance 2018 Report to Rules Committee

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In accordance with Ordinance 2016-521-E, and as identified in Appendix A, the Kids Hope Alliance Board of Directors is responsible for submitting an annual report to the City Council Rules Committee by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Attached is the 2018 Kids Hope Alliance Annual Report.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me at [PeppersJ@coj.net](mailto:PeppersJ@coj.net).



## ***Kids Hope Alliance***

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### **Kids Hope Alliance Background and Mission:**

The Kids Hope Alliance “KHA” was formed after the passage of 2017-563 and creation of Chapter 77 Ordinance Code, which merged the Jacksonville Children’s Commission and the Jax Journey into one organization. The Kids Hope Alliance is responsible for comprehensively overseeing and managing an integrated system of essential programs and services that will address the critical needs of Jacksonville’s children and youth. The KHA is also tasked with improving the lives of children and youth in the City by working to ensure the safety, health, employability, and a more secure future for the children and youth.

The Kids Hope Alliance is required to only fund and oversee programs, activities, and services that fall within the five Essential Service Categories: Early Learning, Juvenile Justice Prevention & Intervention Programming, Out-of-School Programming, Pre-Teen & Teen Programming, Special Needs Programming.

The Kids Hope Alliance was established on January 1, 2018.

### **Kids Hope Alliance Board of Directors:**

- 7 voting Board Members & 4 non-voting, permanent Board Liaisons
- KHA Board Meetings scheduled for the *third* Wednesday of each month at the Kids Hope Alliance building.
- There are two standing Committees:

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- Finance Committee & Governance Committee
- There are five Task Force Committees:
  - Early Learning, Juvenile Justice, Out-of-School Programming, Pre-Teen & Teen Programming, and Special Needs.

**Kids Hope Alliance Board Members:**

- Kevin Gay, Board Chair
  - Attended 5 out of 6 Board Meetings
- Dr. Nathaniel Glover, Vice Chair
  - Attended 4 out of 6 Board Meetings
- Dr. Barbara Darby
  - Attended 5 out of 6 Board Meetings

**\*\*\*Appointed to the Kids Hope Alliance Board in February 2018\*\*\***
- Tyra Tutor
  - Attended 6 out of 6 Board Meetings
- Dr. Marvin Wells
  - Attended 5 out of 6 Board Meetings
- Rebekah Davis
  - Attended 6 out of 6 Board Meetings
- Joe Peppers
  - Attended the January and February Board Meetings

**\*\*\*Resigned from the Board of Directors in February 2018\*\*\***

**\*\*\* Currently one vacancy on the Kids Hope Alliance Board of Directors \*\*\***

### **Kids Hope Alliance Board Liaisons:**

- There are four permanent liaisons on the Kids Hope Alliance Board of Directors.
  - Hon. Sheriff Mike Williams, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
  - Hon. Charles Coffey, Public Defender's Office
  - Hon. Melissa Nelson, State Attorney's Office
  - Superintendent Dr. Diana Greene, Duval County Public Schools

### **Kids Hope Alliance Board Meeting Summary:**

- Since January 2018, the KHA Board of Directors held 6 publicly noticed Board meetings and 3 Special Meetings and Workshops, and 11 Committee and Task Force meetings. The KHA Board, Committees, and Task Forces have met for 35 hours since January 2018.
- The Kids Hope Alliance Board of Directors has always obtained a quorum at each meeting.
- All Kids Hope Alliance Board, Committee, and Task Force Meetings are publically noticed and open to the public.
- All Board, Committee, and Task Force Meetings are attended by subject matter experts, local non-profit providers, the public, and various media outlets.

### **Kids Hope Alliance Board Accomplishments:**

Since the first Kids Hope Alliance Board Meeting on January 17, 2018, the Board of Directors has made the following accomplishments:

- Completed a CEO search and hired the first CEO of the Kids Hope Alliance
- Approved legislation to move over \$10M out of the budget contingency fund and into the Kids Hope Alliance budget to fund operations, summer camp, afterschool, and other programs.
- Trademarked the Kids Hope Alliance logo and tagline

- **Selected and approved a Kids Hope Alliance logo**
- **Implemented the Mayor's Youth at Work Partnership to employ high school students over the 2018 summer.**
- **Completed the required Ethics Training**
- **Each Board Member chaired a Task Force to learn more about the programs, services, and activities in each of the five Essential Service Categories. Each Task Force Chair reported a summary of their work to the full Board at each Board Meeting.**
- **Started work on the Essential Services Plan.**
- **Passed multiple Board Policies, including a public comment policy and an advance payment policy for our providers and partners.**

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