



SARC

Students for **A**lachua
Resources **C**ommittee

CONTRACOVID GAINESVILLE CO-FOUNDERS

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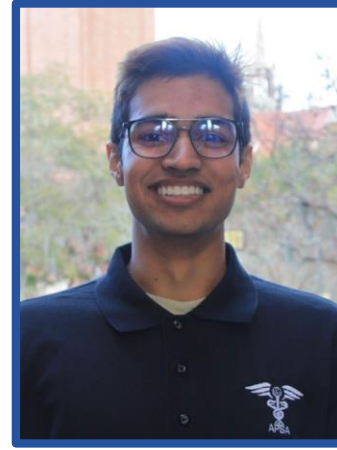
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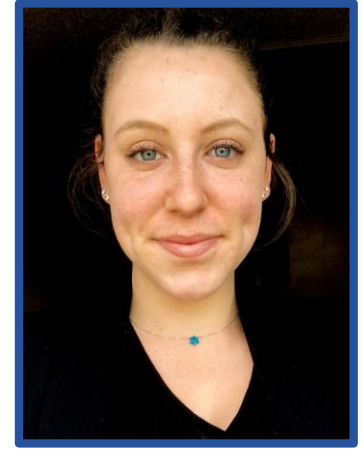
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ROLE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE

CONTRACOVID GAINESVILLE

contraCOVID is a **national non-profit** founded by Harvard medical students, aimed at **improving community health and reducing health disparities** that have resulted from COVID-19.

The Gainesville chapter was co-founded by UF students and carries out the mission of contraCOVID through:

- **Creating comprehensive resource guides** ranging from healthcare to childcare
- **Overcoming language barriers** through our four different translations and low-literacy adaptations
- **Conducting research** studies assessing COVID-19 impacts on various populations in the Gainesville area
- **Communicating about public health and social issues** through various social media and news outreach efforts



Need help?

Click for more information!

COVID-19 Updates
and Hotlines

Medical Services

Immigration
Resources

Food Resources
and Delivery

Dental/Oral
Health

Employment/
Financial Aid

Childcare

Elderly Health

Utilities

Housing

Women's Health

Disability
Resources

Education

Well-Being

Frequently Asked
Questions



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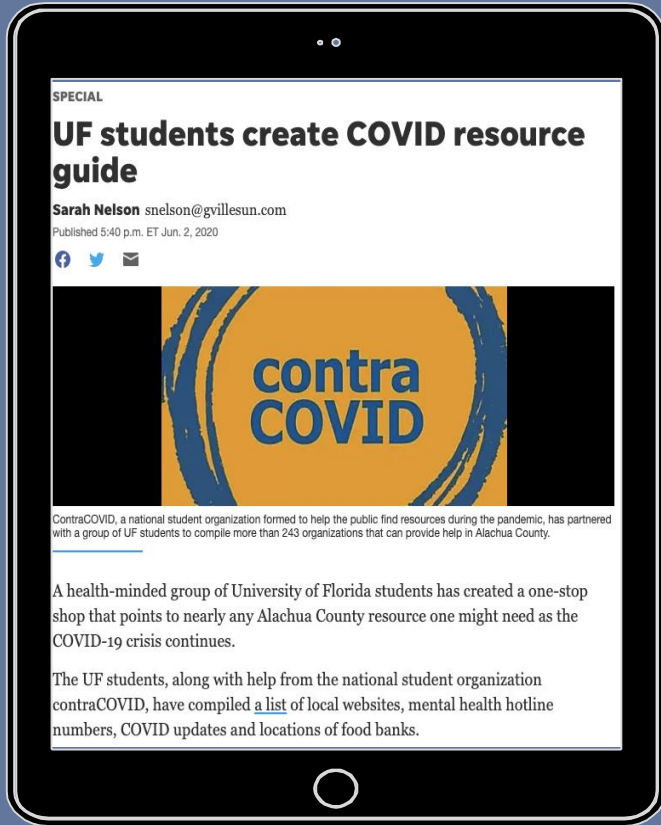
Language translations of our resource guides in English, Spanish, Mandarin, and Korean

850+

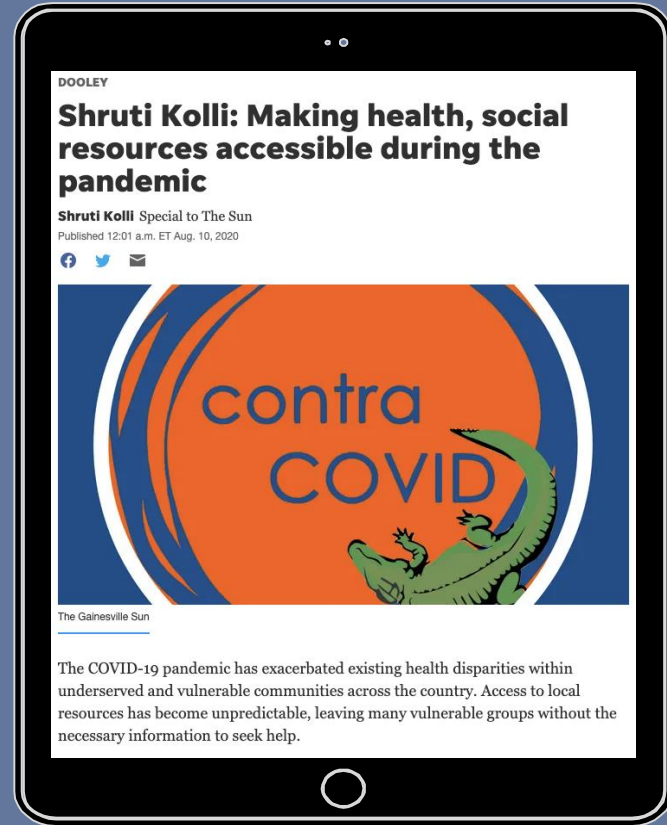
Total clicks across all of our resource guides

50+

CCG volunteers and leaders (undergraduate and graduate students)



Gainesville Sun, June 2020



Gainesville Sun, August 2020

contraCOVID → SARC

- **SARC (or the Students for Alachua Resources Committee)** is a student-led effort to continue contraCOVID Gainesville efforts in producing updated, translated information to local groups in Gainesville.
- To best facilitate dissemination of this to all Gainesville groups, this committee will work closely with the **University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions (UF PPHP)** and the **City of Gainesville**.
 - This collaboration will allow us to best tailor resource development efforts to the most pressing needs of the community.

WHO WILL MAKE UP SARC?

VOLUNTEERS

- **Updating** resource guides weekly
- Completing info updates and/or **translation** requests
- **Disseminating** our resource guides
- **Communicating** with local organizations as part of our annual summer outreach

LEADERS

- Responsible for the **organization** of the committee itself,
- **Recruiting** potential SARC volunteers and interns
- **Delegating** tasks to them and **checking** on their status
- **Establishing** relationships with local organizations and government.

INTERNS

- Similar expectations as volunteers but have a **greater time dedication**
- May propose their own **independent project** ideas and take lead on them
- **Fulfilling** practicum and/or internship requirements for their degree

RESOURCE GUIDE RENEWAL

Aim to work with local organizations and services to **collect, translate,** and **disseminate** information about resources available to the public

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Reach out to local organizations and help them by translating and low-literacy tailoring current resources and assisting in the development of new resources

STUDENT POLICY PROPOSALS

Students will be eligible to **submit a proposal** through the SARC to address an issue in Gainesville. The winning proposal will be submitted to the City of Gainesville to be reviewed. This initiative is intended to motivate students to **be more involved in City of Gainesville** initiatives and to **empower student voices and advocacy** within Gainesville.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Create opportunities for high school and college students seeking to work directly with their community, including intern projects and extensive leadership experience

INTERN PROJECTS

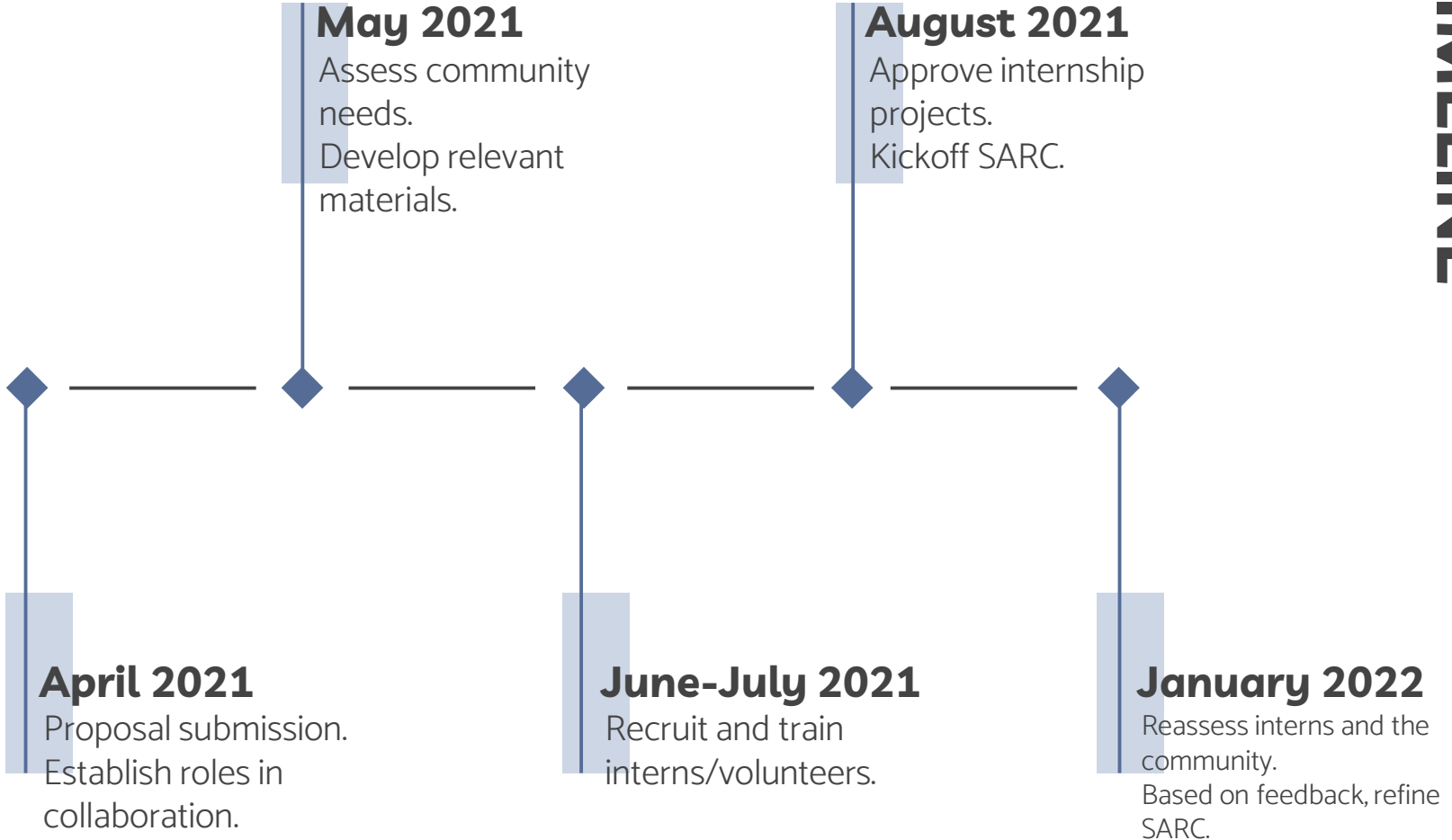
Allow interns to **submit project proposals** based on current needs of the community and have these projects delegated and executed by SARC members

Example: Creating multilingual, factual resources for COVID-19 vaccines

CITY OF GAINESVILLE MEETINGS

Participate in City of Gainesville meetings during their semesterly terms. **Inform** constituents about the work of SARC and record important info to **incorporate** into the development of new SARC resources.

TIMELINE



ROLE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE

POLICY PROPOSAL

Following community needs assessment and chosen request(s) submitted in our “Request Form”, SARC will formulate a proposal and present to the City of Gainesville.

CITY INVOLVEMENT

Selected SARC members will regularly meet with City of Gainesville points of contact to provide updates. Information gathered in the meeting will be incorporated in SARC resource development. Members may also have the opportunity to potentially enact a policy change in conjunction with the city.



Thank you!

Please feel free to ask us any questions and/or provide any suggestions.