
STRATEGIC INITIATIVE # 3.4

GOAL # 3: HUMAN CAPITAL

Assist every person to reach their true potential



INITIATIVE 3.4: STREAMLINE EFFORTS TO PROVIDE CHILD VICTIM SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE CITY

Champion: Lynne Benck, Police Captain

Sponsoring Commissioner: Lauren Poe, Commissioner (District II)

Committee: Public Safety Committee

Stakeholders: Alachua County Victim Services, Child Advocacy Center, Department of Children and Families, Child Protection Team, Guardian Ad Litem, State Attorney's Office, University of Florida Police Department, Alachua County Sheriff's Office

Desired Outcome: Identify the City of Gainesville's role in child victim advocacy and improve service delivery to child victims.

Background: This Strategic Initiative was first introduced by the City Commission in June, 2008 at a Strategic Planning Retreat to introduce new City Commissioners to the strategic planning process and provide all Commissioners an opportunity to discuss the strategic goals and initiatives.

Progress to Date:

This is a new initiative

Supporting Documentation:

- None at this time.

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Action Plan to Streamline Child Victim Services for FYs 2009 – 2010

Action Steps	Estimated Completion Date:
1. Conduct an analysis of current services available to child victims in the Gainesville area.	November 2008
2. Create a public information document listing available services and disseminate to City employees and the public at large.	December 2008
3. Identify any gaps or overlapping services available to child victims.	February 2009
4. Identify services that can be made more easily available to City of Gainesville child victims by creating a position of Child Victim Advocate/Counselor.	February 2009
5. If appropriate, during the FY 2010 budget hearings, propose that the City of Gainesville add a position at GPD whose sole focus will be to provide child victims with a variety of services.	June 2009
6. If the position is approved, begin hiring process.	October 2009

Critical Success Measures

- Creation of a public information document, outlining services available to child victims in the Gainesville area
- Creation of a report, identifying any potential gaps or overlapping services for child victims