

# WCAF NEWS

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## So Many Changes!

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September has been a month of many changes. Our little agency is growing and Jim is leaving WCID to go and work in Primary Care. James Desmarais, will be leaving on September 30th to work elsewhere. He has always had a big heart and we know that a lot of our clients loved working with him. We know that he will go on to great things and he will be missed. We wish Jim the best with all that he does and know that he will do amazing with anything that he tries. He was always there for the patients and he will be a difficult person to replace. We will miss you Jim and wish you the best.

HERE'S  
TO NEW  
BEGINNINGS!



## Do you need Case management?

If you or someone you know is in need of case management, we are always taking new clients. We do not believe in a wait list. We currently provide case management in Pasco, Hernando, Hillsborough, Citrus, Sumter, Pinellas, Manatee, and Polk Counties.

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## The West Central Ryan White Care Council!

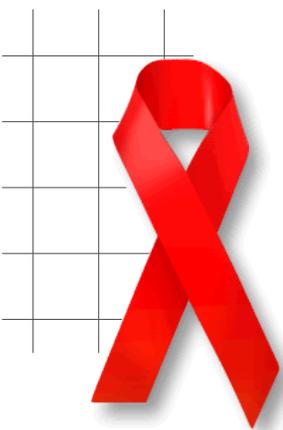
Have you been wanting to get involved? Have you thought hey I can drive to Tampa? Are you in Manatee, Hardee, Highlands, Hillsborough, Polk, Pinellas, or Pasco Counties? Then come and check out the Care Council. If you are a Person Living with HIV/AIDS they will reimburse you for mileage. You have to attend 2 meetings a month and you get to see the process and be involved in the process. If you are interested, then check out their website at:

<http://thecarecouncil.org/>



## Casino Night!!!

We are hosting our annual Casino Night again. Tickets are 35 dollars and are available from a staff member or one of our Board Members. The event will take place on October 8th 2016 at 7 pm at the Verizon Event Center, located at 8718 Trouble Creek Rd New Port Rich-ey, FL 34655. We will have exciting games, a DJ, cupcakes and finger foods, a cash bar and amazing prizes. If you would like more information, please contact Brandi at 727-375-8664. We hope to see you there!



"People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing everyday."

Winnie The Pooh

## Welcome Veronica!

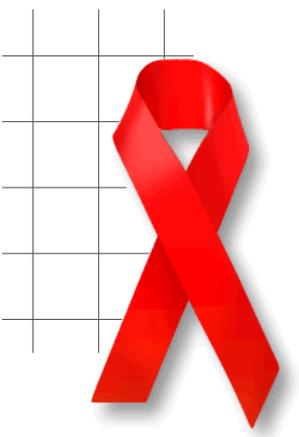
We would like to take a moment and welcome the newest member of our staff. Veronica Proctor, she comes to us from Di's Imani Inc., she will be helping out with the Pinellas County clients and will be taking on clients in that area soon. We are very excited to have her as our newest member of the West Coast AIDS Foundation.

Welcome on board Veronica!

### Food Pantry

After reading the survey's it is very clear that some of our clients are not aware that we have a food pantry here in our office. We have shelf stable items and some personal care items. If you are in need of these items and you are one of our clients, please call your case manager and let them know. They will help you to access our food pantry.

Also if you have not completed our survey yet, please remember to mail it in. Thank you to everyone that has completed a survey at this time.



"Dear frozen yogurt: you are the celery of desserts. Be ice cream, or be nothing. Zero stars."  
- Ron Swanson

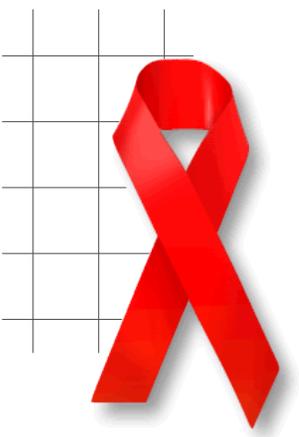
## Holiday Help!

Don't forget that if you are going to be in need of help for the upcoming holiday season, remember that they start registration for this usually in September or October. Remember that you will need birth certificates, picture ids, and proof of your income. So start trying to get that together, to make signing up a lot easier this year. If you have any questions about where to go for help, call your case manager.

## Farewell to Di's Imani!

We would like to take a moment to wish Evelyn a happy retirement and best of luck. You provided services to clients living with HIV/AIDS for a very long time and you will be missed in the community. Best of luck in your future endeavors.

We would also like to welcome Veronica Proctor to our office. She will make a nice addition to the staff here and be a great benefit to the growth of this agency and to the care of our clients. Welcome Veronica!



"Sucking at something is the first step to becoming sorta good at something.:"

Jake the Dog