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# Monthly Members Meeting

November 28th, 2023

#### Welcome & Introductions

Homelessness In The News, Kate Santich

Point-In-Time (PIT) Count Update, Christian Goze and Victoria Corcino

Agenda

Consulate of Brazil - Orlando, Joao Lucas Quental Novaes de Almeida

New Projects - Approved For Funding By NOFO '22, Jackie Ebert

Homeless Memorial, Micaela Cox - IDignity

Announcements



# Homelessness In The News

Kate Santich, Homeless Services Network



# Homelessness in the NEWS

What you need to know



#### **Legislative Delegation**

- Orange County holds its legislative delegation meeting Wednesday.
- You can still go and sign up in person and speak if there's time left after all registered speakers.
- <u>Viewing Options:</u> Orange TV will carry the meeting live. Viewing options include Channel 488 on Spectrum, Channel 9 on Comcast, 1081 CenturyLink Prism TV, WSWF Channel 10.2 (over the air), stream live at <a href="https://www.ocfl.net/orangetv">www.ocfl.net/orangetv</a> and you can view via the Orange TV app on ROKU in the Education category.

#### Statewide priorities

#### Priorities from the Florida Coalition to End Homelessness:

- <u>Maintain</u> Current Fiscal Year Funding for the Homeless Continuum of Care Staffing Grant (A.K.A. Homeless Housing Assistance Grants) \$5,205,056 recurring General Revenue.
- <u>Maintain</u> Current Fiscal Year Funding for the Homeless Challenge Grant \$15,000,657 recurring General Revenue.
- <u>Support</u> legislation which would allow persons with lived homeless experience with minor, non-violent background findings to be exempt from background check disqualification. Bill #s TBD.

#### Follow up with legislators



Sending a hand-written letter to your state legislator has the most impact. Find out who represents your district at:

House: <a href="https://myfloridahouse.gov/Representatives">https://myfloridahouse.gov/Representatives</a>

Senate: <a href="https://flsenate.gov/Senators">https://flsenate.gov/Senators</a>

### No access teams

The Access Team will not be at our usual HSN hubs on the following dates:

- Thursday, December 21 (Hope Partnership)
- Friday, December 22 (The VA Medical Center and United Against Poverty)
- Monday, December 25 (The Sharing Center)
- Friday, December 29 (United Against Poverty)

#### What's Jacksonville up to?

- The Jacksonville City Council recently voted to set up a \$1 million homeless trust fund aimed at diversion.
- Much of the funding would go toward families at risk of becoming homeless. The bill would provide one-time assistance of up to \$1,500 to families at risk of homelessness.
- Aimed at addressing immediate needs while work is underway to increase affordable housing for people with extremely low incomes.



#### A story of redemption



# Once a Homeless Addict, a Mayor Takes On Housing and Drug Crises

- Dan Carter was on the streets for 17 years. His experience informs his policy agenda as mayor of Oshawa, Ontario, a city of 175,000 struggling with overdoses and affordability.
- Homeless and addicted to drugs from his teenage years until he was 31, and essentially illiterate because of severe dyslexia, he was fired from more jobs than he could remember, Mr. Carter said, adding, "I really had no skills, no abilities, no education, no nothing."

https://www.nytimes.com/2023/11/24/world/canada/dan-carter-oshawa-mayor.html



Christian Goze and Victoria Corcino, Homeless Services Network



### Point-In-Time Count

November 29th 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

December 5th 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Meeting
Dates for
the
Steering
Committee

December 18th 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

January 9th 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

January 16<sup>th</sup> 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

Meeting Dates subject to Change

# POINT APP - Volunteer Sign up Links

Orange: <a href="https://dash.pointapp.org/events/99486">https://dash.pointapp.org/events/99486</a>

Seminole: <a href="https://dash.pointapp.org/events/100687">https://dash.pointapp.org/events/100687</a>

Osceola: <a href="https://dash.pointapp.org/events/100720">https://dash.pointapp.org/events/100720</a>



Joao Lucas Quental Novaes de Almeida, Consulate of Brazil – Orlando



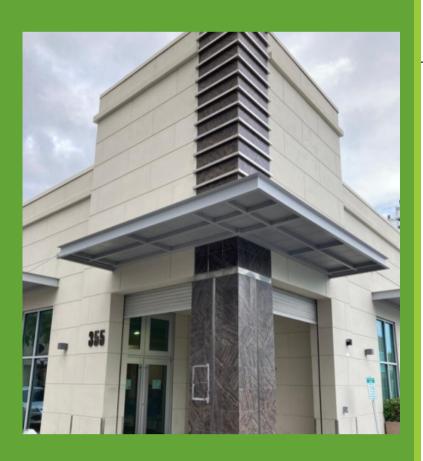


#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Orlando, November 2023

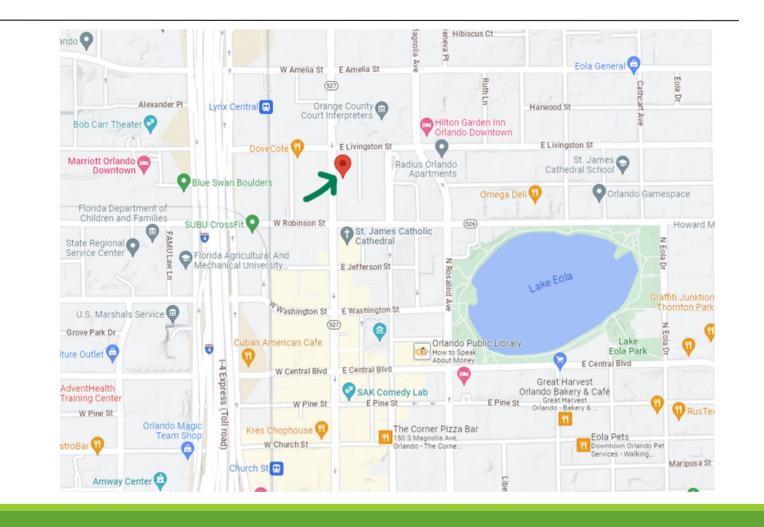
#### **HISTORY**

- **January 2022**: Decree number 10.953 institutes the Vice-Consulate of Brazil in Orlando, subordinate to the Consulate-General of Brazil in Miami
- Junho de 2022: Opening of the Vice-Consulate in Orlando
- Abril de 2023: The Vice-Consulate's status changed to Consulate-General
- Maio de 2023: Nomination of the first Consul-General of Brazil in Orlando: João Lucas Almeida



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