

CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2026 ~ 4:00 PM

AGENDA

MISSION: The Children's Board invests in partnerships and quality programs to support the success of all children and families in Hillsborough County.

CALL TO ORDER

Attendance Verification

R. DeLaVergne

Quorum Verification

R. DeLaVergne

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT

R. DeLaVergne

The Children's Board of Hillsborough County welcomes comments from the public. Those who wish to address the Board may do so at this time. Those to address the Board should state their full name and affiliation for the official record. In the interest of time, we ask that one person be designated to speak on behalf of a constituency and that all comments are limited to three minutes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISCLOSURE

R. Bacon

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval;** August 27, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. **Approval;** Executive Director Contract

R. DeLaVergne
D. Adams

PROVIDER PRESENTATIONS

Museum of Science & Industry: MOSI in Motion at the Children's Board Family Resource Center in Plant City

John Graydon
Smith

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Executive Director Reports
 - A. Activities – August 28, 2026 – September 14, 2026
2. Programs Report
3. Operations Report
4. Financial Report
5. ASO Report

R. Bacon

M. Negron
P. Scott
D. Monasterio
K. Hickman

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

ATTACHMENTS

1. Contract Signature Logs (ASO, Programs, Vendors)
2. August 2026 Financial Statements
3. ASO Report
4. Outreach Calendar

IMPORTANT DATES

September

Final TRIM/ Public Hearing	September 14, 2026	5:01 PM
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October

Regular Board Meeting	October 22, 2026	3:00 PM
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November

Executive/Finance Committee Meeting	November 05, 2026	12:00 PM
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No Meeting Dates	<u>December</u>	NA
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CHILDREN'S BOARD OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 27, 2026 ~ 3:00 PM

MINUTES

Subject	Regular Board Meeting	Date	August 27, 2026
Facilitator	Robin DeLaVergne, Chair	Meeting Time	3:00 PM
Location	1002 East Palm Ave. Tampa, FL 33605	Actual Meeting Time	3:00 PM – 3:51 PM
		Adjourned	3:51 PM
Board Member Attendance	Robin DeLaVergne, Chair Ed Narain, Vice-Chair Gwen Myers, Secretary/Treasurer	Katherine Essrig Van Ayres Megan Proulx Dempsey Andy Mayts	Shake Washington Sarah Naumowich Beth Pasek
Other Attendees	Rebecca Bacon, Executive Director Dave Adams, CBHC Board Attorney Kristina Austin, Recorder Paula Scott, CBHC Staff Maria Negron, CBHC Staff -absent	Dexter Lewis, CBHC Staff Kelly Hickman, CBHC Staff Daniel Monasterio, CBHC Staff Wendy Perez, CBHC Staff Hayden Salandy, CBHC Staff	Genet Stewart, CBHC Staff Lucette Cardona, CBHC Staff

SUMMARY

Topic	Highlights
I. CALL TO ORDER	R. DeLaVergne called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. R. DeLaVergne called for Board attendance verification; A. Mayts led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
PUBLIC COMMENT	R. DeLaVergne asked for Public Comment. The following individuals provided public comment for the Board meeting: 1. Anna X, Community Advocate.
II. ACTION ITEMS	
1. 6-25-26 Regular Board Meeting Minutes	R. DeLaVergne requested approval of the June 25, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. <i>Motion (1) by Gwendolyn Myers to approve the June 25, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes; second by Ed Narain; motion carried (10-0).</i>
2. FY 2026-2027 Regular Board meeting & Executive Finance Committee Meeting Schedules	R. Bacon presented the FY 2026-2027 Regular Board & Executive Finance Committee Meeting Schedule with a request to modify the March 2027 Board meeting date to a week earlier. <i>Motion (2) by Ed Narain to move the March 2027 Board meeting date to March 18, 2027; second by Andy Mayts; motion carried (10-0).</i> <i>Motion (2A) by Beth Pasek to approve the FY 2026-2027 Regular Board & Executive Finance Committee Meeting Schedule; second by Shake Washington; motion carried (10-0).</i>
3. Approval to Execute a 2-Year Lease for the Town & Country Family Resource Center	P. Scott requested approval to Execute a 2-Year Lease for the Town & Country Family Resource Center <i>Motion (3) by Megan Proulx Dempsey to approve a 2-Year Lease for the Town & Country Family Resource Center; second by Sarah Naumowich Essrig; motion carried (10-0).</i>

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II. ACTION ITEMS CONT.	
4. Approval of FY 2027 Family Resource Center Leases	P. Scott requested approval of the FY 2027 Family Resource Center Leases <i>Motion (4) by Katherine Essrig to approve the FY 2027 Family Resource Center Leases; second by Ed Narain; motion carried (10-0).</i>
5. Approval of Final FY 2026 - 2027 Millage Rate	D. Monasterio requested approval of the Final FY2026- 2027 Millage Rate. <i>Motion (5) by Ed Narain to approve the Final FY2026 – 2027 Millage Rate; second by Gwendolyn Myers; Abstention by Katherine Essrig; motion carried (9-0).</i>
6. Approval of Final FY2026 – 2027 Budget	D. Monasterio requested approval of the Final FY 2026 – 2027 Budget. <i>Motion (6) by Megan Proulx Dempsey to approve the Final FY 2026 – 2027 Budget; second by Ed Narain; motion carried (10-0).</i>
7. Approval of Audit Extension for CDC of Tampa	D. Monasterio requested approval for an audit extension for CDC of Tampa. <i>Motion (7) by Ed Narain to approve the audit extension for CDC of Tampa; second by Gwendolyn Myers; motion carried (10-0).</i>
8. Approval of Feeding Tampa Bay Inc. Match Increase	M. Negron requested approval to provide a match increase with Hillsborough County for Feeding Tampa Bay, Inc. <i>Motion (8) by Shake Washington to approve the match increase for Feeding Tampa Bay, Inc.; second by Gwendolyn Myers; motion carried (10-0).</i>
III. PROVIDER PRESENTATION	
One More Child Family Support Program	Deanna Berkes from One More Child provided a presentation outlining the impact of the Family Support Program.
IV. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS	
1. Executive Director Report	R. Bacon attended (64) significant meetings between June 26, 2026– August 27, 2026. Highlights for this timeframe included: • Meetings with funded providers, non-profits, and community partners; • Site visits to a few of the Summer Camp and Passports Programs, including Serving Hands CDC. Inc, one of the new summer camp slot providers and a Summer Passports program at Glazer Children’s Museum; • Attended a Teens In Action Leadership Council meeting run by CBHC-funded partner Frameworks. The youth learned about the Children’s Board, and why a youth council was funded to gain youth voice. • Attended meetings with funders, our superintendents and early learning coalitions to discuss a VPK awareness campaign. There were eleven funders that came together and the work is being done in collaboration with Thrive by Five; R. Bacon spoke of involvement in the Child Death Review Committee and increasing concerns regarding child drownings. She is connecting with providers such as Early Steps who are working with families with special needs to ensure education and water safety resources are being shared with families in the community.

SUMMARY

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IV. REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS CONT.	
2. Programs Report	M. Negron provided an overview of the Annual Contract Evaluation Summary. Each year, providers are scored via an initial and final score. The scores show overall improvement by providers as well as the flexibility of how we adapt yearly to improve our data collection and ensure the programs are aligned with the grant expectations.
3. Finance Report	D. Monasterio provided an overview of the Revenue and Expenditure Variance Analysis.
4. Public Relations Report	D. Lewis provided an overview of the summer passports, camp slots, and enhancement opportunities funded by the Children's Board. In addition, several social media highlights were included in the presentation documenting the many ways the Children's Board staff is out and about the community.
OLD/NEW BUSINESS	None
ADJOURNMENT	The meeting adjourned at 3:51PM.

MOTIONS

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READ AND APPROVED BY:

 ROBIN DELAVERGNE
 BOARD CHAIR

Approval of Executive Director Contract Extension

Initiator: David Adams, Board Attorney
Action: Approval of Executive Director Contract Extension
Date: Regular Board Meeting, Thursday, September 14, 2026

Recommended Actions

Recommend that the Board approves the extension of the Executive Director's contract through September 30, 2029.

Background

- The Executive Director has a rolling three year contract that is traditionally renewed each year by the Board, based on a successful Performance Appraisal Process.
- The Children's Board Attorney oversees the Executive Director Performance Appraisal Process.
- On August 12, 2026, the Executive Director completed a Self-Evaluation for fiscal year 2025-2026.
- The Executive Director's Self-Evaluation was provided to each member of the Board along with a blank Performance Appraisal Evaluation Form.
- Board members returned their individual Performance Appraisal Evaluation Forms to Wendy Perez, who compiled the results of the Performance Appraisal Process.
- The results were distributed to the Board in advance of the Board Meeting.
- The recommendation to extend the Executive Director's contract to September 30, 2029 is based on the satisfactory performance of the Executive Director in FY 2025-2026 and the recommendation of the Board Attorney after polling members of the Executive Committee.

Children's Board of Hillsborough County

Agency: Museum of Science and Industry, Inc.

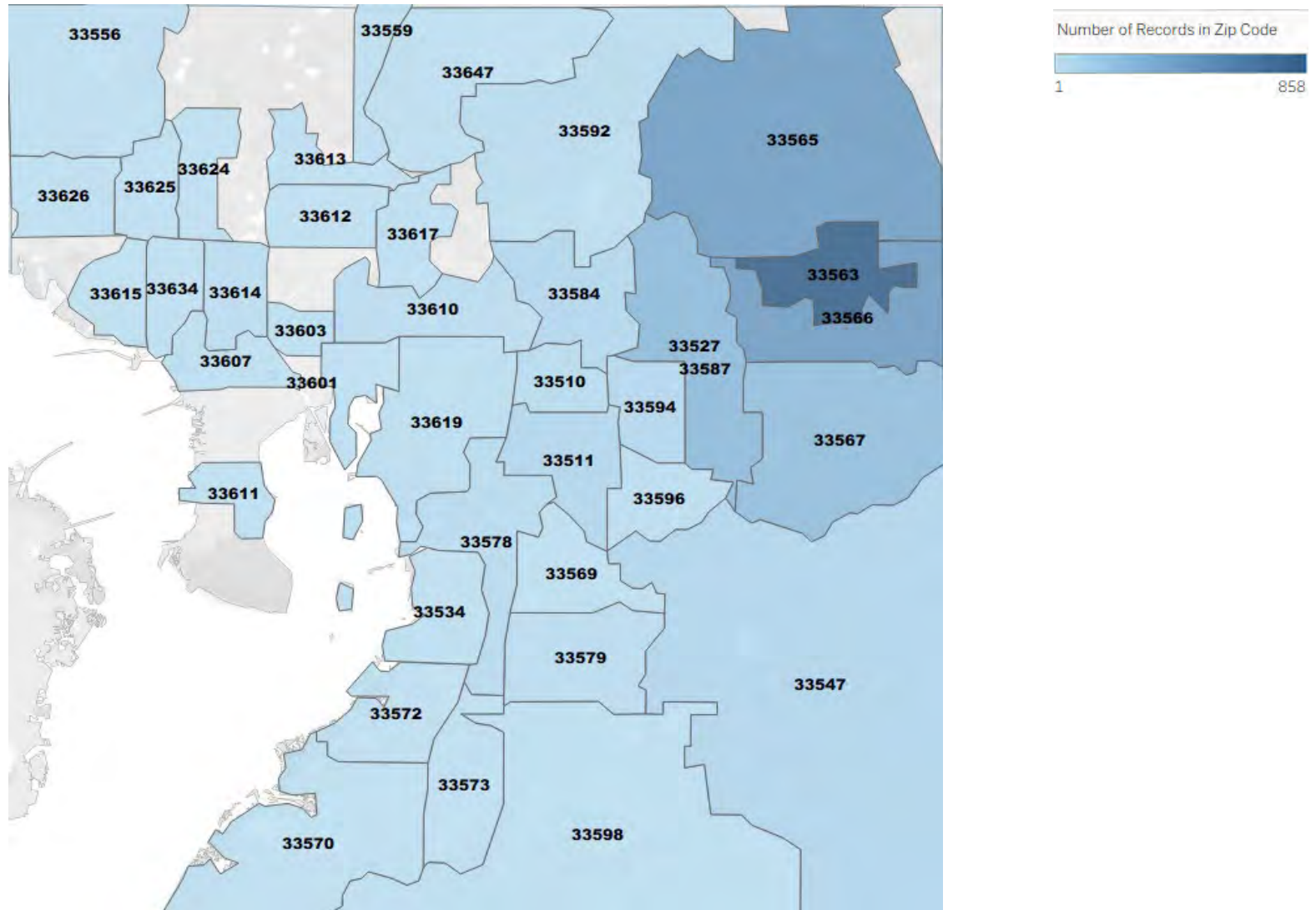
Program: MOSI in Motion at Children's Board Family Resource Center in Plant City



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Number of Participants Served by Zip Code in FY2025

October 1st, 2025 – June 30, 2026



Map prepared by Children's Board of Hillsborough County. The map color shows the number of participants served by zip code.

Map based on 2,761 participants served in 42 zip codes in Hillsborough County during FY2026.

Data Source: ANTS

Data Extract Date: 08/13/2026

MOSI in Motion

Museum of Science and Innovation (MOSI)

John Graydon Smith, President & CEO

Program Name: MOSI in Motion at CBFRC in Plant City

Operating Since: October 2024

Service: October 2024 – November 2025: Be the Astronaut Exhibition

December 2025 – current: Be the Dinosaur Exhibition



What Children's Board Funding Supports

- Immersive Exhibit at CBFRC Plant City
 - MOSI provides and maintains an interactive science exhibit giving families hands-on opportunities to explore science, technology, engineering, and innovation
- Family Engagement Opportunities
 - MOSI provides engaging, hands-on activities and experiences for children and families
- STEM Learning Programs throughout the Year
 - MOSI provides ongoing STEM education through weekly workshops and monthly family nights
- Community – Based STEM Education and Outreach
 - MOSI staff support the CBFRC's mission of bringing high-quality, accessible STEM programming directly to families in the Plant City community and creating opportunities for children to learn through exploration, experimentation and play



Accomplishments

- What did we do well?
 - MOSI makes STEM fun and approachable
 - Activities that allow children and families to touch, explore, build and experiment
 - Continually refreshing and enhancing our space to keep them engaging while responding to feedback from the Plant City community
 - Connect exhibit to programming
 - Learning Through Play
- Lessons Learned
 - Workshop Timing – adjusting the time of workshops to increase participation
 - Community Needs – Working closely with staff helped MOSI better understand the needs and interests of the families being served



FY 2026 - Service Level Goal vs. Service Level to Date

Goal 1: Provide 4,400 children and their parents with STEM learning activities at the CBFRC Plant City

- As of end of Q3 – 5156 participants

Goal 2: Provide 600 children and their families engagement opportunities during the exhibit at CBFRC Plant City.

- As of end of Q3 – 793 participants

Goal 3: Provide 4,400 children and their families interactive missions.

- As of end of Q3 – 5156 participants

We have exceeded all service levels for this year already!

Our Reach Across the Community

Significant Achievement – Growing Family Night Participation

- Family night has become a consistent and growing community event
- Established a regular core group of families who attend month after month
- Growing attendance demonstrates increased community awareness, engagement, and trust in the program
- Impact: Family night is building a strong, connected community around science, learning, and family engagement



Questions?



Contract Signature Log
ASO ONLY
FY 2026

Entity/Agency	Contract Type	Brief Description	Contract Period	Contract Amount	Board Approved	Signed By	Date Signed
Fundamental Minds Educational Services	ASO	Tutoring	7/31/2026	Varies	No	Rebecca Bacon	8/4/2026

Contract Signature Log
Programs ONLY
FY 2026

Entity/Agency	Contract Type	Brief Description	Contract Period	Contract Amount	Board Approved	Signed By	Date Signed
CORPORATION TO DEVELOP COMMUNITIES OF TAMPA, INC.	Standard	Safe Summer Series	6/18/2026-9/30/2026	\$53,962.00	No	Rebecca Bacon	9/1/2026

Contract Signature Log
Vendors ONLY
FY 2026

Entity/Agency	Contract Type	Brief Description	Contract Period	Contract Amount	Board Approved	Signed By	Date Signed
All Alarm Services of Central Florida, LLC	Vendor	Commercial Monitoring with app	9/1/26 - 9/30/26	\$41.99	No	Rebecca Bacon	8/26/2026

ATTACHMENT 2- AUGUST 2026 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PLACEHOLDER

PLACEHOLDER

ATTACHMENT 3- ASO REPORT PLACEHOLDER

PLACEHOLDER



Outreach Events Calendar

The Children's Board will have a presence at the following community events. Contact Dexter Lewis, Director of Public Relations, at lewisbd@childrensboard.org for more information about a particular event.

October

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| 10.7.26 | Micromobility Safety Campaign Meeting Kick-off
Children's Board of Hillsborough County
1002 East Palm Avenue, Tampa
12:30 pm-1:30 pm |
| 10.23.26 | Celebrate Babies 2026 Resource Fair
Children's Board of Hillsborough County
1002 East Palm Avenue, Tampa
9:30 am-11:30 am |
| 10.24.26 | Tampa Family Fun Fest
Palm River Park
725 South 58 th Street, Tampa
12:00 pm-5:30 pm |
| 10.27.26 | Vendor Connect
Higgins Hall
5225 North Himes Avenue, Tampa
9:00 am-11:00 am |