



Greetings CareerSource Central Florida Board Members!

We have had an eventful couple of months here at CSCF, and it was wonderful to see so many of you during our recent Board Retreat at SeaWorld Orlando. It was a day filled with collaboration and coming together as we reflected on what it means to be a Board Member and the value you bring to our organization. We had great discussions around our strategic vision: being a partner of choice, having a resourceful budget, and emerging as leaders in workforce solutions and innovation at both national and state levels.

During the last quarter, we hosted some amazing experiences and programs, including a celebration to cap off our High School Career Express Program, which included 53 students from Colonial and Evans High School. We received generous funding from Addition Financial Credit Union and HCA Florida Healthcare Foundation, and several of us took a visit to the 2024 National Association of Workforce Boards Forum in March, which you will read more about below.

As we look forward to our BOLD future and vision, I and our Executive Leadership team want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your dedication and commitment. We are truly grateful for all you do each and every day.

Best,  
-Pam



## MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

### Celebrating our High School Career Express program participants

We celebrated the success of our first High School Career Express program this spring with the participating students of Evans and Colonial High School. It was a memorable celebration recognizing the hard work and dedication from all involved in the program. The High School Career Express program provides high school students with valuable learning experiences that bridge the gap between classroom education and real-world work environments. The participants visited different businesses including Addition Financial, HCA Florida Healthcare, Orange County

Government, Universal Orlando Resort and EA Games. This program also focuses on enhancing students' skills, fostering personal and professional growth, and helping them understand their options early in their career journey.



We would like to express our gratitude to Addition Financial and HCA Florida Healthcare for their financial contributions to the program. HCA Healthcare awarded CSCF \$25,000 at their Board meeting and Addition Financial visited our West Orange Career Center, to present a \$100,000 check to be distributed in the next five years. We are grateful for our partnership with Orange County Government, Addition Financial, HCA Healthcare, and Orange County Public Schools to provide this outstanding career exploration experience for our youth.

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### CSCF Welcomes CareerSource Florida

The CSCF Southeast Career Center hosted a visit from CareerSource Florida's executive leadership team including Jason McCandless, Chief Executive Officer, Walter Copeland, Chief Financial Officer, and Garrick Wright, Project Director. We led them on a tour of the customer journey and participated in discussions about our operations and the Central Florida market we serve. We outlined the importance of engaging with chief local elected officials to broaden our impact including development of key stakeholder communications and deepening partnerships.



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### A Historical Visit to the NAWB Forum

Pam along with members of our executive leadership team and Board recently visited Washington D.C. where they attended the 2024 National Association of Workforce Boards Forum. During the trip, CSCF leaders and participating board members had the chance to discover new workforce insights, all while building a rapport and sharing lots of laughs together in the nation's capital. Pam's highlights included listening to Keynote speaker Eric Termuende, joining a panel of workforce leaders at the Forum, touring the U.S. Capitol, and visiting Congressman Darren Soto's office. It was a great trip that created



motivation, excitement and synergy around our regional vision among CSCF and our Board.

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## Listen Up! New Boldline Podcast Episodes Now Available

If you have not had a chance to listen to our Boldline podcast, there are interviews you don't want to miss. Pam chats with Chris Kuselias, Impact Investor and Founder of Ocean Crest Ventures to discuss changes in the modern workforce and economy and the growing importance of entrepreneurship. Our most recent episode features Casandra Matej, President and CEO of Visit Orlando who talks about the recovery of Orlando's hospitality and tourism industry and its importance to the local economy. Stay tuned for the next episode of Boldline featuring CSCF Board member and African American Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Tanisha Nunn-Gary.

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## SPOTLIGHT MOMENT

### Pam Spotlights the Health Care Workforce

Pam recently discussed the state's expanding health care workforce during Spectrum News 13 Orlando's In Focus with Allison Walker. She joined Colleen Burton, State Senator District 12 and David Mica Jr., Executive Vice President of Public Affairs, Florida Hospital Association to discuss long-term and short-term benefits of the recent "Live Healthy" bills designed for health care innovation and workforce expansion in Florida.

[Listen to the interview here](#)

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### Anthony Harris Honored by Orange County

CSCF DVOP Anthony Harris was celebrated as a nominee for the Orange County Veteran of the Year 2023 award for providing exceptional service and dedication to the veteran community. He was among 12 finalists honored by Orange County Mayor Jerry Demings at the annual Veterans Advisory Council event. The Orange County Mayor's Veterans Advisory Council's mission aspires to encourage building stronger relationships and resources among the various Military Service organizations within Central Florida. We are proud of Anthony and all CSCF's Veterans for continuing to lead in service to our nation's heroes.



# GET TO KNOW THE BOARD

## Meet Tanisha Nunn Gary

President & CEO

African American Chamber of Commerce of Central Florida



**1. How long have you been a board member?**

2 years

**2. What is something important to you about being on the CSCF board?** Assisting businesses with workforce planning, training and development are all important to me and the role that CSCF plays is vital for our business community.

**3. What are your hobbies?** I enjoy traveling, reading and baking various desserts.

**4. Favorite holiday tradition if any?** Thanksgiving and Christmas are my favorite holidays. My family believes in an abundance of holiday decor and delicious foods during the holidays season.

**5. Why do like calling Central Florida home?** Central Florida is a great place to live, work and play with the great weather being an added bonus.

## UPCOMING REMINDERS

- Please stay tuned for communications regarding your Form 1 “Statement of Financial Interests”. Kaz Kasal will be sharing more details and updates on the process with you through email.
- The next Board of Directors meeting will be on Wednesday, June 26. Stay tuned for more details.

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