



2nd Annual North Florida Community Faith-Based Substance Abuse Summit

Helping Empower Local People Against Drugs (HELP AD)

Date: August 7, 2006

Quincy, Florida

Dear Community Support:

Greetings from HELP AD: Gadsden County Substance Abuse Coalition, (*Helping Empower Local People Against Drugs*) In CADCA's (*Community Anti-Drugs of America*) 2004 annual report, HELP AD was selected as one of the four national "Champions" in educating community leaders & youth on the dangers of drugs. Florida Department of Children & Family Services chose HELP AD as the designated community coalition for Gadsden County in implementing the Statewide Prevention Framework project. On August 7, 2006 at the Quincy Conference Center we are planning our 2nd Annual North Florida Community Faith-Based Substance Abuse Summit. The objective of the summit will be to: "Demonstrate a united effort toward providing effective strategies designed to empower community faith-based organizations to address issues pertaining to the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs in our community."

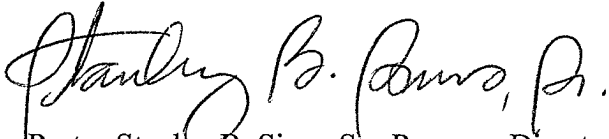
Our keynote speaker for the occasion will be **Mr. Jim Towey, former Executive Director of the White House Faith Based Initiatives**. Also present will be **Rev. Delavago Scruggs, SAMSHA Faith Based Coordinator & Project Director**. He will share upcoming funding opportunities, as well as provide additional educational material by his department. Our guests will include **Mr. Bill Janes, Director, Florida Office of Drug Control**, religious leaders, elected local & state officials, agency representatives, and various local and community leaders from all across the state. We are looking forward to having such dignitaries visit our community and request your help in providing the resources needed to make this a top-notch event.

We are soliciting your help with financial sponsorship to help offset the costs of renting facilities, providing group transportation, food, correspondence and mailing, media campaign, and related conference costs. Although we will have other social service professionals visiting from other areas, this event is designed to address the needs of Gadsden, Leon, & Wakulla Counties. We are hoping that you will care enough about our community to become a sponsorship partner with us as we reach out to others in the effort to make Gadsden, Leon, & Gadsden Counties better communities for our children to live, and become productive citizens.

If you choose to become a sponsor, and we hope you will, your contribution will be acknowledged by having your company name prominently displayed in our conference program. Your tax deductible contributions should be made to the fiscal agent for HELP AD: A Shepherd's Hand Resource Center, Inc., Attention: Ms. Alma Venise, Post Office Box 313, Havana, Florida 32333

Thank you for your support and if you have questions or require additional information please feel free to contact me at (850) 544-0675.

With Kind Regards,



Pastor Stanley B. Sims, Sr., Program Director
Helping Empower Local People Against Drugs (HELP AD)

I would like to be placed on the June 20th meeting regarding
this matter



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Dear Community Investor,

A Shepherd's Hand Resource Center, Inc., the non-profit fiscal agent for H.E.L.P. A.D.: Gadsden County Substance Abuse Coalition, the designated substance abuse coalition selected by Florida's Coalition Strategic Prevention Framework, seeks your assistance in hosting our 2nd Annual Community & Faith-Based Substance Abuse Prevention Summit. Our theme this year is ***"Substance Abuse Prevention is The Key, but Community & Faith Based Organizations Unlock the Door."*** Last year our summit brought together nearly 200 community leaders locally, as well as around the state. This year our scheduled keynote speaker is Mr. Jim Towey, Executive Director of the White House Office of Faith Based Initiatives. Due to the growth of the summit we are changing this year's location to the Quincy Conference Center in Quincy, Florida. The One Day summit will be held Monday, August 7, 2006. If you are interested in sponsoring this event, we will keep you posted as details are finalized with the White House staff.

Scheduled Workshops

The Power of Advocacy, A Grass Root Movement - facilitated by Mr. Jack Levine

HIV: Can Community Coalitions Pass the Test - facilitated by Sonja Anderson

Teamwork Wins Funding – facilitated by Isaac Williams

You Have a C.H.O.I.C.E. - facilitated by Dr. Cynthia Harris

Levels of Sponsorship

Gold Sponsorship - \$5,000 This sponsorship provides our community partner ten free registrations to the summit, with reserved seating at the luncheon. The community partnership will be part of our media campaign on television, radio, listed in the program, PowerPoint presentation, online publications, local newspapers, and the option of setting up a display.

Silver Sponsorship - \$2500 This sponsorship provides our community partner with six free registrations to the summit with reserved seating at the luncheon. The community partnership will be apart of our media campaign on radio, listed in the program, PowerPoint presentation, online publications, local newspapers, and the option of setting up a display.

Business & Community Sponsorship - \$1500 This sponsorship provides our community partner with four free registrations to the summit with reserved seating at the luncheon. The community partnership will be apart of our media campaign on radio, listed in the program, online publications, local newspapers, and the option of setting up a display.

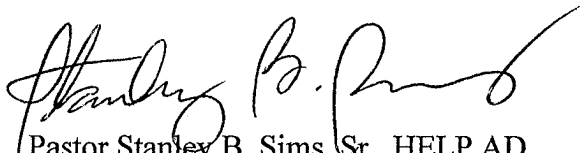
Church Sponsorship - \$250 This sponsorship provides your church with four free registrations to the summit with reserved seating at the luncheon. The church's partnership will be apart of our media campaign on radio, listed in the program, online publications, and local newspapers.

Please join other community partners such as Florida Department of Children & Family Services, Investing In Our Youth, Substance Abuse & Mental Health Administration's (SAMSHA), The Old West Florida Primitive Baptist Youth Sunday School Convention, Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners, A Shepherd's Hand Resource Center, Inc, St. Nora Primitive Baptist Church, and the Gadsden County Sheriff Department in empowering community leaders to fight effectively in the war against drugs. If you have additional questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email me at stnorapastorsims@earthlink.net, ashrc@bellsouth.net, or (850) 544-0675.

You may mail your tax deductible contribution to the following address:

**Please make checks payable to:
A Shepherd's Hand Resource Center, Inc.
Purpose (HELP AD – Drug Summit
Post Office Box 313
Havana, Florida 32333**

Respectfully submitted,



Pastor Stanley B. Sims, Sr., HELP AD
Program Director



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Goal: To demonstrate a united effort to provide effective strategies designed to empower community faith-based organizations to address issues pertaining to the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs in Gadsden, Leon, and Wakulla Counties.

Check-In	8:30 a.m.
Refreshments/Greetings	8:30 – 8:50
Training Sessions	9:00 – 10:30
Session 1 – The Power of Advocacy – Can You Hear Me Now? Facilitator: Mr. Jack Levine, President of Advocacy Resources	
Session 2 – Funding for Coalitions & Substance Abuse Prevention: Facilitator: Isaac Williams, President of Community Trust	
Session 3 – Community Coalitions Can You Pass The Test? Facilitator: Ms Sonja Anderson, Investing In Our Youth	
Session 4 – Making The Right C.H.O.I.C.E. Facilitator: Dr. Cynthia Harris, Florida A&M Univeristy, Institute of Public Health	
Training Overview	10:30 – 11:00 General audience (10 minutes per facilitator)
SAMSHA Update – Roe Wilson, Division Representative, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) 10 minutes	
HELP AD's	11:00 to 11:40
A PowerPoint presentation regarding HELP AD's History	



Quincy Conference Center

Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Presiding:

Mrs. Carmen Cummings-Martin,
North Florida Regional Representative,
United States Representative Allen Boyd

Havana ROTC (10 Minutes)

Presenting of the Colors

Welcome (5 minutes each)

Morris Young, Sheriff
Gadsden County

Commissioner Ed Dixon, Chairman
Gadsden County Commissioner

David F. Harvey, Sheriff
Wakulla County

Senator Bill Nelson
United States Congress

Invocation

Pastor Bernard C. Yates, Vice President
National Primitive Baptist Convention

Musical Selection

Tallahassee Police Choir

Occasion

Ms. Stephenie Colston, Director
Substance Abuse & Prevention
Dept. of Children and Families

SAMSHA UPDATE

Rev. Delavago Scruggs
Faith Based Coordinator &
Project Director

Personal story

Mr. Gwen White, HELP AD
Coalition member

Musical selection

Tallahassee Police Choir

Introduction of Speaker

Mr. Bill Janes, Director
Florida Office of Drug Control

Guest Speaker

Mr. Jim Towey, Former Executive
Director, White House Office of Faith
Based Initiatives

Recognitions & Awards

Elder Louis Parker, Chairman
A Shepherd's Hand Resource Center
Mr. Osubi Craig, HELP AD
Program Evaluator

Closing Remarks & Benediction

Pastor Stanley B. Sims, Sr.
Helping Empower Local People Against
Drugs (H.E.L.P. A.D.)

****The planning committee is currently talking about having a roundtable discussion either during the breakout sessions, or after the keynote address with the three county leaders, White House staff, and SAMSHA representatives about developing a comprehensive plan to leverage resources to reduce substance abuse within the three counties. (Gadsden, Leon, & Wakulla)***