



Welcome to Agency for Community Treatment's E-newsletter. We will be sending this newsletter monthly offering you a glimpse of what is happening at our agency, as well as tips on substance abuse prevention and how we can help.

ACTS Announces Executive Leadership Changes



With the unexpected passing in December of Richard Brown, the organization's previous CEO, the board of directors for Agency for Community Treatment Services (ACTS) announces changes in the executive leadership team. Larry Gilley is the Interim CEO. Larry has more than 30 years experience in operational management, and has been at ACTS since 2007 as the CFO. With Larry assuming his new role, Beth Ann Sanders is the new Chief Financial Officer. She has worked in various roles at the agency for almost 30 years. To see the complete release, [click here](#).

ACTS and Gracepoint Win WEDU Be More Award

We are incredibly honored to be the recipients of the WEDU Be More Brilliant - Innovation Award at the Be More Luncheon last month! These awards showcase the best work by nonprofits in West Central Florida. ACTS and Gracepoint were nominated together due to our innovative partnership to support some of our community's most vulnerable through the Central Receiving Facility. Since it opened last spring, more than 20,000 have gone to the Central Receiving Facility for help with either a substance abuse or a mental health crisis.

To learn more about the Central Receiving Facility, watch a video by [clicking here](#). To learn more about the WEDU Be More Awards, [click here](#).



"When they come in, they are in denial. After being here at ACTS and communicating and learning from staff, you get to see the transition for the youth from before and after treatment."

Meet Colville Spencer

ACTS Program Administrator for Youth Residential Services Colville Spencer has the task of mentoring youth who go through ACTS youth residential programs. Currently, ACTS operates Thonotosassa (12 youth) and New Horizons in Mulberry (17 boys). "Every day is a challenge that brings forward various rewards," said Colville. Colville's favorite part of his job is connecting with the youth and mentoring them. He said the best part about his job is he gets to see a teen go through the entire recovery process. [Click here](#) to learn more about Colville's typical day and his most rewarding experience at ACTS.

For More Information

ACTS, Agency for Community Treatment Services, Inc., is a non-profit serving the Tampa Bay area since 1978. As a comprehensive, community-based behavioral health organization, ACTS mission is to apply the best of contemporary physical and behavioral health interventions and social support services available to assist individuals and families to engage and succeed in recovery. Call us today to find out how we can help you - 813.246.4899 or visit us online at www.actsfl.org.