



ACTS Announces Leadership Changes

ACTS Board of Directors recently announced the change in leadership for two roles at the agency. Asha Terminello has been appointed to the role of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) from Chief Operating Officer (COO). Asha has worked at ACTS for more than 25 years in a variety of roles, and has been the COO for more than 10 years elevating treatment programs during her tenure at ACTS. With Asha's new role, Cris Riviere has been designated Interim COO. Prior to this, Cris served as Administrator of Acute Care Services at ACTS, where he has been employed for more than 10 years. "With the changes that have occurred after former ACTS CEO Richard Brown's death in 2017, I am glad that Asha and Cris are now core members of the executive leadership team at ACTS," said Patrick Mazza, ACTS Board President. "I look forward to working collaboratively with them to move the agency forward and continue Richard's vision well into the future."



Asha Terminello

Thank You, Pastor McAllister!

Weekly, a spiritual group meets at the Firemen's Hall – a drop-in program for ACTS clients - led by volunteer Pastor Eloise McAllister from New Testament Tabernacle of Faith in Polk County. Pastor McAllister has driven over an hour to lead this life skills discussion with the men and women who attend programs at the Firemen's Hall since it opened in 2017. "I like seeing the growth of the participants during their time in the class," said Pastor McAllister. "I want them to look to the future and give them hope and encouragement for what they can accomplish." Pastor McAllister has a special relationship with ACTS – her daughter is long-time program supervisor at the Amethyst Respite Center Deborah Robinson. Together, in their free time, they run Daddy's Girls Ministry. "I am proud of the work that my mom does for ACTS," said Deborah. "She is making a lasting impact on the residents for years to come."



ACTS Holds Retirement Celebration

In May, ACTS held a retirement celebration to honor Larry Gilley, who has worked at ACTS for more than 10 years. Larry first started at ACTS as a consultant and worked for more than 12 years at the agency, first as the Chief Financial Officer, and then as the Interim CEO after ACTS previous CEO passed away in December 2017. At the retirement party, ACTS current CFO Beth Ann Sanders thanked Larry for his commitment to the agency through the years. ACTS new CEO Asha Terminello presented Larry with a clock as a token of appreciation from ACTS. Enjoy retirement Larry! To see more pictures from the event, [click here](#).



June is PTSD Awareness Month

Any experience that threatens your life or someone else's can cause PTSD. These types of events are sometimes called trauma. Types of traumatic events that can cause PTSD include:

- Combat and other military experiences
- Sexual or physical assault
- Child sexual or physical abuse
- Serious accidents, like a car wreck
- Natural disasters, like a fire, tornado, hurricane, flood, or earthquake
- Terrorist attacks
- Learning about the violent or accidental death or injury of a loved one



During this kind of event, you may not have any control over what's happening, and you may feel very afraid. Anyone who has gone through something like this can develop PTSD. If you need to talk, ACTS is here. Call us at 813.246.4899.

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.

