


# FAST FACTS 2023

Pace envisions a world where all girls have POWER, in a JUST and EQUITABLE society.

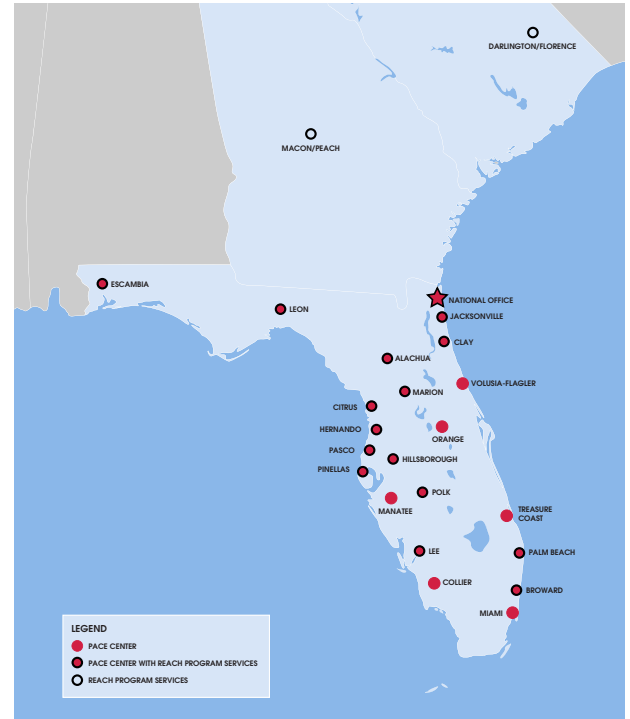
Pace Center for Girls provides a safe and supportive environment for girls to build healthy relationships, plan for their future and overcome histories of trauma. All girls, regardless of their background, deserve an opportunity to become strong, compassionate and successful women. When properly supported, all girls have the power to achieve their vision of success, which leads to positive outcomes for themselves, their families and communities.

 **3,000+ girls** cared for each year

 **40,000+ girls** served since 1985

 **23 Communities** across Florida, Georgia and South Carolina

 **17 Reach locations** across Florida, Georgia and South Carolina



## LIAH

My name is Liah, and I am a Senior at Pace, Hernando. Pace gave me a fresh start after I had given up on everything. Before Pace, a traumatic experience took my "childhood" too soon. I was a straight "A" student, but by sophomore year, everything went downhill. No one believed I could recover, except for Pace. Pace gave me eye-opening opportunities that prepared me for the future. I met my Senator, took a college tour, and participated in working with Arc, an organization advocating for those with disabilities. Now my goal is to graduate and make my family proud. I am beyond thankful for everything that Pace has done for me.

# Pace Center for Girls, Hernando

Dr. Xonjenese Jacobs | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## Center Day Program

Pace's center based, day program provides year-round education, counseling and life skills training for a comprehensive and individualized experience for middle and high school aged girls.

**90 Girls Served  
FY 2022**

BEFORE PACE

5 in 10



Were **failing** school six months prior to attending Pace

7 in 10



Demonstrated behaviors related to **juvenile delinquency**

7 in 10



Were **disengaged** in school and community life

AS A RESULT OF PACE

7 in 10



**Improved** academically  
\*Measured by Florida STAR testing

7 in 10



Strengthened or maintained **self-efficacy**, the belief that you can succeed

9 in 10



Are **engaged** in their community, measured by being enrolled in school, higher education, or employment

## Reach Program Services

Pace Reach is a therapeutic and counseling program offering social, emotional, and behavioral health and support services for girls ages 11-17 and their families. Reach therapists provide services in their home, school, community or online.

**63 Girls Served  
FY 2022**

BEFORE PACE

2 in 10



Were feeling **sad or hopeless**, including thoughts of self-harm

3 in 10



Were **disengaged** in school and community life

AS A RESULT OF PACE

9 in 10



**Improved** healthy social relationships with peers and family members

10 in 10



Are **engaged** in their community, measured by an increase in healthy behaviors

As a Pace Board Member, it is a privilege to be part of such a successful and meaningful program. Watching the girls thrive, achieve, and believe in themselves is absolutely gratifying. Seeing the staff interact with the girls and provide them with a safe and caring learning environment, where they can become more comfortable and confident in themselves is truly inspiring. Pace is truly changing individuals, families, and communities one girl at a time.

- Valerie Pianta, Pace Board Member

