FAST FACTS 2024

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





SHFA

For Shea, the road to success has never been an easy one. Navigating buses and trains, she begins her commute to Pace Orange at 5:00 am, traveling up to four hours every weekday to get from Deland to Winter Park. Shea's story is one of resilience, determination, and the transformative power of education and holistic mental health support.

I come to Pace because I'm able to share my feelings and get good feedback that will help me in the future. I plan to go to Full Sail University after graduating high school because I've always loved music. It was always a big part of my life growing up because we didn't have money, we couldn't do a lot of things or go to a lot of places. Music was the one thing I could have for free.





Pace Center for Girls, Orange

Raquel "Rocky" McCormick | 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.

92 Girls Served FY 2023 **BEFORE PACE**

8 in 10



Were failing school six months prior to attending Pace

7 in 10

Demonstrated behaviors related to juvenile delinquency

8 in 10 • • • • • • • □ □

Were disengaged in school and community life

AS A RESULT OF PACE

8 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 partnering schools, homes and other community locations.

10 Girls Served FY 2023 1,155 overall

* Numbers represented here are for Pace overall, as the number of girls completing the program does not allow for data comparison.

BEFORE PACE*

5 in 10

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

6 in 10



Were disengaged in school and community life

AS A RESULT OF PACE*

8 in 10



Improved healthy social relationships with peers and family members

10 in 10



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

Heart of Florida United Way and Pace Center for Girls have a shared vision of providing girls opportunities to overcome obstacles to achieve their greatest potential. Bridging gaps through education, healthy lifestyles and positive adult influence can change a life's trajectory. We are proud to partner with Pace to make an impact on the lives of girls in Central Florida.

