


# FAST FACTS 2024

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

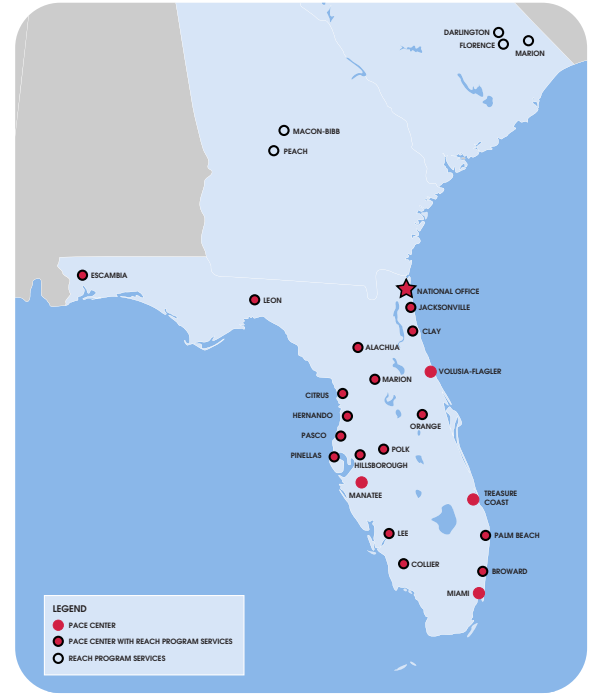
Pace Center for Girls provides a safe and supportive environment for girls to build healthy relationships, plan for their future and overcome histories of trauma. All girls, regardless of their background, deserve an opportunity to become strong, compassionate and successful women. When properly supported, 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



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“ Before coming to Pace, I struggled with anxiety and never felt I could be myself. I was nervous when I started. Once I saw how the staff engaged with the students instead of pushing them to the side, I knew I could ask for help. I could see how much the staff cared about the girls and how much the girls cared about each other. There are many reasons a girl could be at Pace, but at the end of the day, we’re all women and lift one another up. All girls deserve the opportunity to start somewhere that will put them on the path to achieving their goals.



## 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.

**121 Girls Served  
FY 2023**

### BEFORE PACE

9 in 10



Were failing school six months prior to attending Pace

9 in 10



Demonstrated behaviors related to juvenile delinquency

10 in 10



Were disengaged in school and community life

### AS A RESULT OF PACE

8 in 10



Improved academically  
\*Measured by Florida STAR testing

8 in 10



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

10 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.

**71 Girls Served  
FY 2023**

### BEFORE PACE

7 in 10



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

8 in 10



Were disengaged in school and community life

### AS A RESULT OF PACE

4 in 10



Improved healthy social relationships with peers and family members

9 in 10



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

“ Pace Polk provides a safe space where girls feel like they matter. Pace works to provide emotional security, mental and physical well-being and prepares young girls for success. The staff focuses on positive affirmation and advocacy to build empowered women with strong voices ready to face the future. Our community is fortunate to have an organization of this caliber to support our youth.

– Michael Beckham, Board of Directors Co-Chair  
Lakeland Electric's Interim General Manager