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AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 2**



# INCLUSIVE PLAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. DISCUSS WHAT INCLUSION LOOKS LIKE AS A WHOLE.**
- 2. IDENTIFY WAYS TO INCORPORATE FAMILY INCLUSION IN YOUR COMMUNITY (SPECIFICALLY EVENTS).**
- 3. REFLECT ON THE IMPACTS AS A RESULT OF THESE INCLUSION EFFORTS.**



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# City of Miami's, Therapeutic Recreation and Inclusion Division – Sandra DeLuca Developmental Center

## Vision

*Deliver quality programs and services that foster successful outcomes for Individuals with Disabilities.*

## Mission

*Educate individuals with disabilities through inclusive access to community-based educational, recreational, leisure, and cultural activities that enhance quality of life and inspire independence.*

### Education

- Daily Living Skills Training (Adult Day Training Program)
- Employment Training (Project SEARCH Miami)
- Wallet Card Project
- Inclusive/Disabilities Awareness Training to City Staff

### Adaptive Recreation

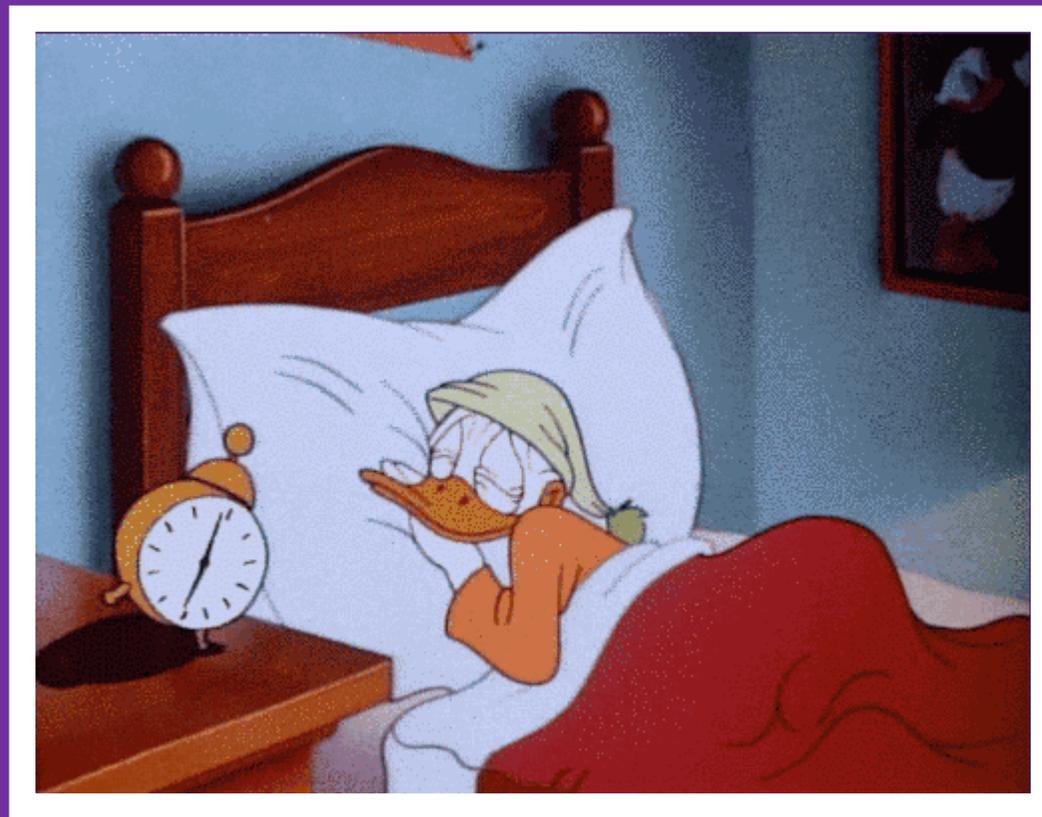
- Sports and Team Training (GET FIT, Boot Camp & Camp Shriver)
- Wheel Chair Sports (Hand Cycling, Basketball, Aquatics, Tennis)
- Active Adults (VIP Stars)

### Special Events

- Club DeLuca Dances
- Golf Tournament Fundraiser
- Flavor of Flagami
- Talent Show

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# Wake Up, Warm Up!



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# What is Inclusion? What Does it Look Like?

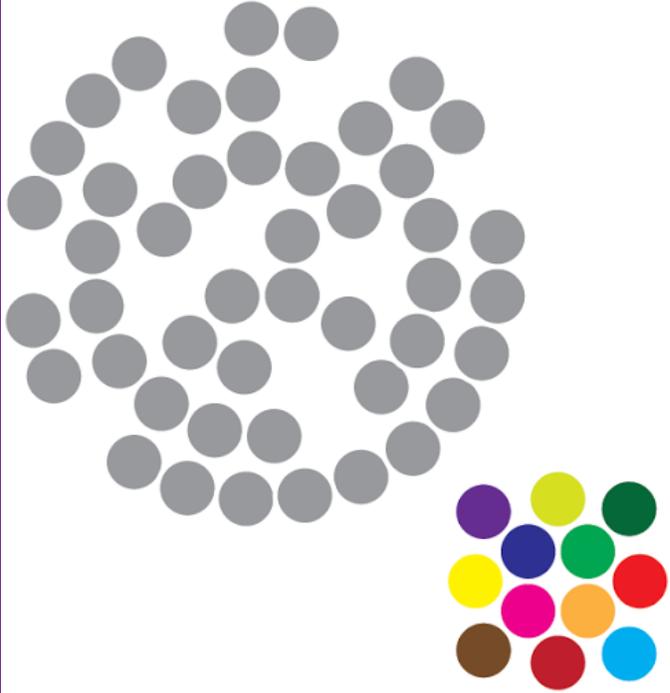
- Inclusion is an attitude and a way of thinking that welcomes and respects all children and families. Inclusion is about belonging, participating and reaching ones full potential in a diverse environment. Adults with a shared value thinking about inclusion value children of all abilities being together and view ability difference as a form of diversity. They share the fundamental belief that all children and youth belong. Inclusion upholds civil rights and ends the “us/them” mentality.



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Separation



Integration



Inclusion

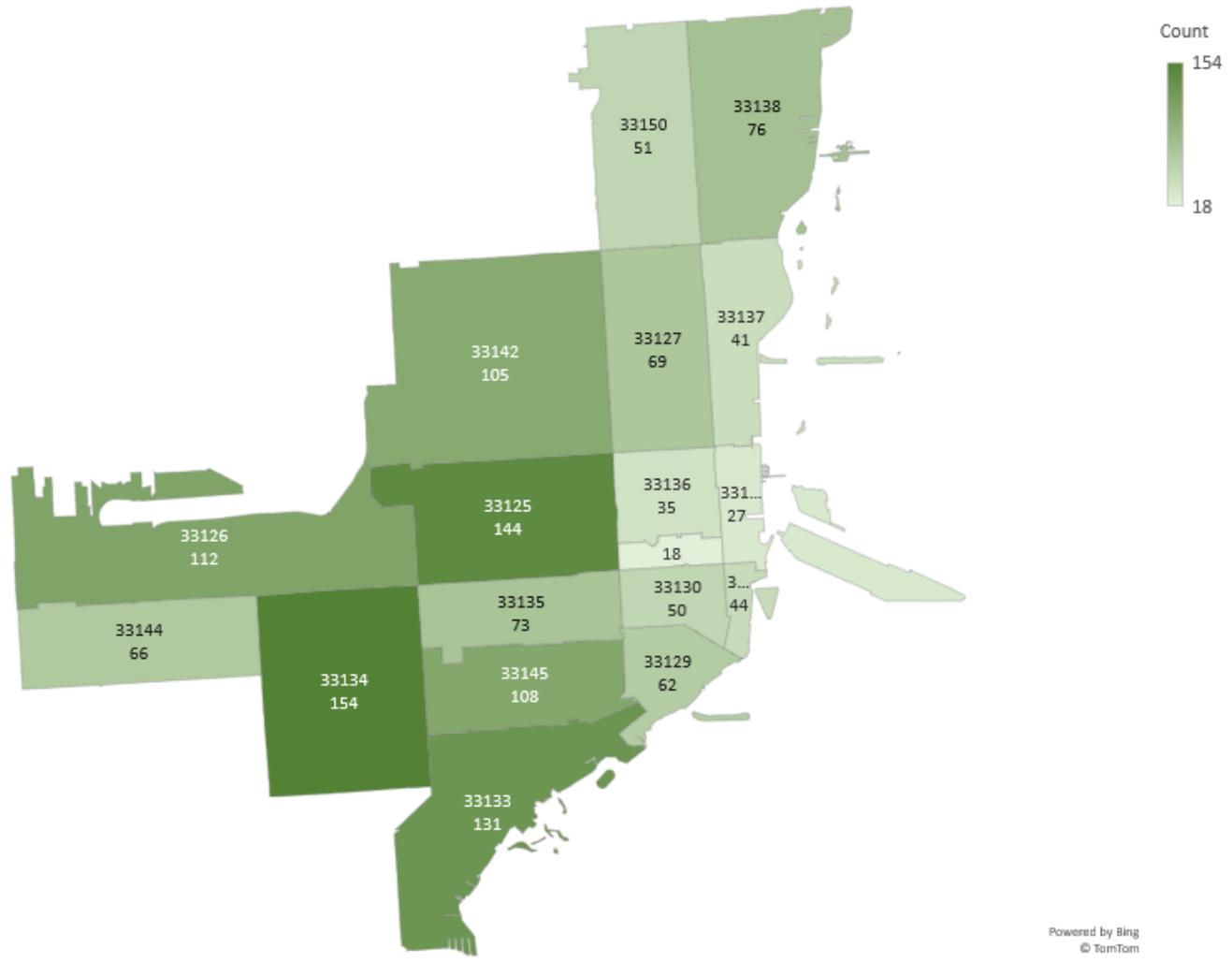


# The Why?

- UM NSU Card statistical data within the City of Miami
- Dedicated staff that offer training department wide and promote and monitor standards for inclusive services
  - SNAP Process
  - Sensitivity Training
  - Support Group
  - Wallet Card
- Family Inclusion in the Community
  - Parks Playground ADA accessible and sensory stimulation (reach out Nadia)
- Special Events (i.e.: A Day At the Park, Family Fun Day & Flagami Fest) sensory stuff



### Client Count by Postal Code



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## Living With Disabilities

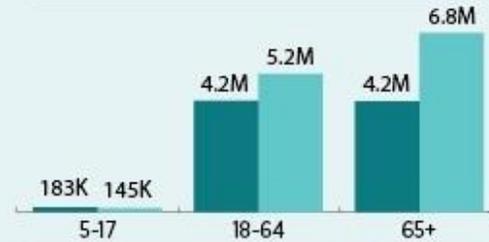
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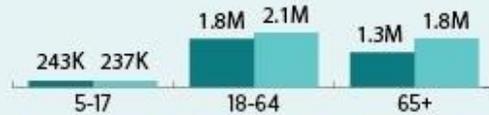
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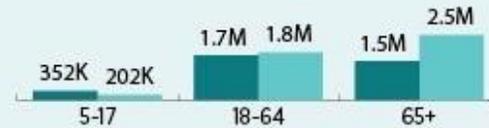
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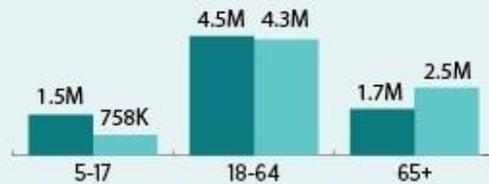
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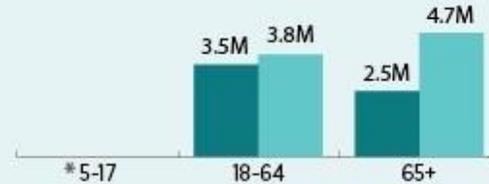
### SELF-CARE difficulty



### COGNITIVE difficulty



### INDEPENDENT LIVING difficulty



\* Data not collected for this age group.

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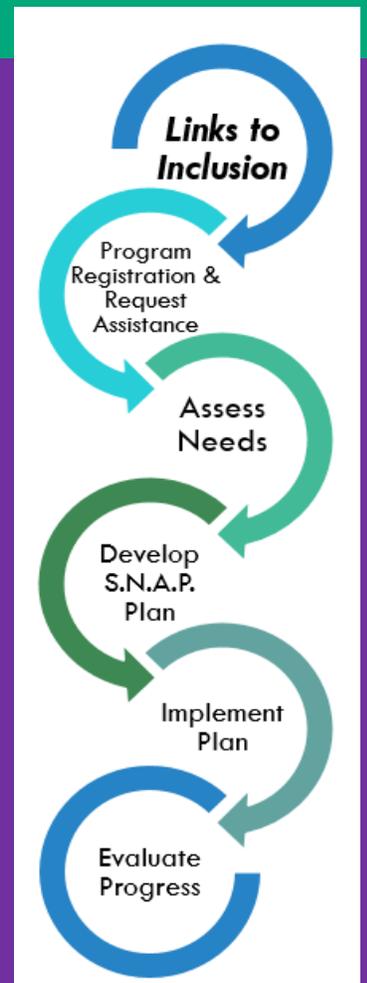
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# S.N.A.P. Process

- **Strengths, Needs, Abilities and Preferences Plan (SNAP)**  
**Inclusion Program** – Imbedded in our recreation programming we have developed a mechanism to provide to the maximum extent possible a process to include individuals with disabilities who request support to participate in an existing program and service department wide. Together with the Disabilities Division, we develop a SNAP Plan utilizing a multidisciplinary meeting approach with all stakeholders from the participant, to the parent/guardian and park staff. By following our “Links to Inclusion” comprehensive process, we can ensure effective accommodations/modifications can be made to the programming or services we offer.



# Sensitivity Training

- Staff Training
  - Full timers receive 8 hours on various topics
    - Annually send rotating staff to the National Inclusion Project Conference (NIP)
    - Required Annual HIPAA Course
  - Seasonal/ part time staff receive training at orientation and when included in SNAP plan cases
- Interdepartmental Training Support
  - Police Academy Cadets attend rotation at SDDC



# Support Group

- Offer a monthly parent support group
  - Provides opportunity for parents/care takers of individuals with disabilities to therapeutically reflect on their needs, opinions, or concerns
  - Educates participants on trends and resources available to them
  - Supports our goal of **INCORPORATING FAMILY INCLUSION**



# Wallet Card

- Safety for the individual as well as family members
- In partnership with Disability Independence Group (DIG) and the City of Miami Police Department
- Communication Card to be used when interacting with Law Enforcement & First Responders
- Training for individuals with disabilities and Law enforcement
  - Tips on how to safely interact with law enforcement
  - Over 250 Wallet Cards Issued for individuals within city limits
  - Over 450 officers trained



# Special Events

- Family Fun Day
  - Once a year at SDDC
- A Day at the Park
  - 2 successful events, over 100 families
- Flagami Fest
  - 2 successful events, over \$5000 raised at each, 500 visitors at the 1<sup>st</sup>



# Let's play together!



# Benefits and Impacts

- Community involvement
- Advocacy for individuals with disabilities
- Increased participation
- Improved staff morale





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