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EPISCOPAL CHILDREN'S SERVICES WELCOMES LUCY KLAUSNER AS VICE PRESIDENT OF RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., June 17, 2024 - Episcopal Children's Services (ECS4Kids) welcomes Lucy Klausner as Vice President of Resource Development, serving over 27,000 North and Central Florida children and families. Klausner is a development professional with nearly two decades of experience building relationships and cultivating charitable gifts.

In 2018, she moved to Jacksonville from Atlanta, GA to oversee the national corporate and foundation development for Pace Center for Girls, Inc. a multi-state, non-profit organization with 21 academic and counseling centers for underserved girls. In that role, she implemented all development efforts, including purpose-driven partnerships and large-scale volunteer efforts. Lucy served as a senior staff member integral in expansion and strategic planning into other states in the Southeast. Prior to Pace, she served as the chief development officer for Meals on Wheels Atlanta (MOWA) where she led all development activities for the organization. In addition to development activities, Lucy provided oversight for all marketing and volunteer activities and helped build a social enterprise model for the organization that is active today.

"We are thrilled to welcome Lucy to the ECS4Kids team," said President & Chief Executive Officer Dr. Natalya Roby. "Lucy's collaboration as a part of our leadership team will strengthen our existing partnerships and further engage our community partners, donors, volunteers and families."

As VP of Resource Development, Klausner will be responsible for fundraising and development activity to build visibility, impact, and financial resources that make fulfilling the ECS mission possible. Klausner looks forward to working closely with Dr. Roby on collaborative strategies to build diversity in funding streams providing a foundation from which to strengthen and grow services. "I am thrilled to join ECS4Kids and get back to my passion of serving families and their children at the most pivotal time in their lives," said Klausner. "I look forward to leveraging my philanthropic network and diversifying support to better serve our communities and grow our strategic impact."

Lucy obtained her B.A. in political economics from Newcomb College, Tulane University and an M.B.A. in management and marketing research from Freeman School of Business, Tulane University. She officially joined the agency in March and is based at the headquarters office in Jacksonville.

About Episcopal Children's Services

Offering early childhood education and holistic family services, Episcopal Children's Services provides School Readiness, Head Start, and Early Head Start programs to more than 27,000 children and their families in 14 counties in Florida, including Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Citrus, Clay, Dixie, Duval, Gilchrist, Lake, Levy, Marion, Nassau, Putnam, and St. Johns counties.

ECS uses research and best practices to help families ensure their children enter school ready to learn. Talented, dedicated teachers and staff work proactively with children from birth to age five and their families to build a strong educational foundation.

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