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### **The Early Learning Coalition of Duval Announced Angel Carro as the new President and CEO**

**July 12, 2023 – Jacksonville, FL** – The Early Learning Coalition's Board of Directors announced Angel Carro as the next President and CEO. Carro, who currently serves as Chief Operating Officer, will succeed Denise Marzullo, who has been CEO since 2017. Carro will begin his new role on July 17, 2023. He has been with the coalition since 2006.

"After a thorough and comprehensive search, the Board is confident that Angel is the best individual to assume leadership of Jacksonville's largest nonprofit," said Marcus Rowe, Board Chairman. "He is well respected by his peers and has a track record of leadership locally and at the state level. This, combined with his knowledge, experience, and understanding of the organization, makes Angel uniquely qualified to lead the ELC of Duval into the future successfully."

The former President and CEO, Denise Marzullo, relocated to South Florida in June. "Angel is an outstanding leader who has been responsible for a great portion of our success over the years," said Marzullo. "I am thrilled with the board's decision, and I am confident Angel will ensure that ELC of Duval continues to be the best coalition in Florida."

Carro oversaw ELC's \$111 million budget and was instrumental in locally implementing \$56 million in American Recovery Plan Act grants. He has deep knowledge of state and federal nonprofit rules and is well respected by peer coalitions throughout Florida.



Carro has a Bachelor of Science in accounting and finance from Florida State University. He serves on the Division of Early Learning's EFS Mod Change Control Board and co-leads the Association of Early Learning Coalition's Finance Group.

Angel and his wife, Lori, have lived in Northeast Florida since 2006. They have two children.

The ELC of Duval has grown into the largest nonprofit in Jacksonville, with an annual budget of \$111 million and 109 staff. In 2022, the coalition enrolled more than 20,000 children from birth to five in quality child care and VPK programs in Duval County and provided support services to more than 500 providers.

The Early Learning Coalition of Duval is a leader in early education and child care in Jacksonville. Through various initiatives, the ELC of Duval connects thousands of families and their children with quality programs and services. The ELC of Duval helps:

- Families get their children into quality child care and early learning programs
- Provide child care financial assistance to eligible families
- Child care providers improve the quality of their programs

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