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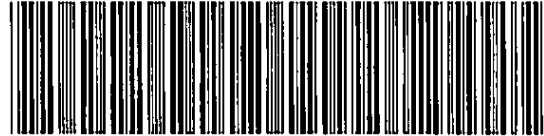
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

November 1, 2017

MARKESHA JAMES  
700 S. CLARA AVE  
DELAND, FL 32720

SUBJECT: THE F.O.C.U.S. GROUP OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, INC.  
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We have received your document for THE F.O.C.U.S. GROUP OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

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Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: THE F.O.C.U.S. Group, Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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Filing Fee &  
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Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50  
Filing Fee,  
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& Certificate

**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

FROM: Markesha James  
Name (Printed or typed)

700 S. Clara Ave  
Address

Deland, FL 32720  
City, State & Zip

(386) 589-2310  
Daytime Telephone number

jamesmarkesha@gmail.com  
Email address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

# NONPROFIT CORPORATION ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE F.O.C.U.S. GROUP OF VOLUSIA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the undersigned incorporator and Officers, whom are citizens of the United States, do hereby submit and adopt these Articles of Incorporation pursuant to the State Non-Profit Corporation Act now for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation.

## ARTICLE 1

### Name

The name of the corporation is: The F.O.C.U.S. Group of Volusia County, Inc.

## ARTICLE 2

### Principal Office

The corporation has a principal office. The street address of the principal office is: 700 South Clara Avenue, DeLand, FL 32720 in Volusia County.

## ARTICLE 3

### Existence

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

## ARTICLE 4

### Effective Date

The effective date of incorporation shall be: November 17, 2017

## ARTICLE 5

### Type of non profit corporation

The corporation is not for profit and a Public Benefit Corporation.

## ARTICLE 6

### Purpose

The purpose of the corporation is exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code and herein stated as follows:

To focus on the community's ultimate success by providing unlimited services that will help build better communities by building better people. This corporation organized for purposes

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within the meaning of 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code including, but not limited to, for such purposes, providing a youth mentoring program, adult education, personal development, feeding homeless, and personal assistance. The corporation is focused on the overall development of individuals. The character and essence of the corporation is the same as the purpose.

## ARTICLE 7

### Prohibited Activities

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 6. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future tax code, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

## ARTICLE 8

### Membership & Board of Directors

This corporation shall have members. The eligibility, rights and obligations of the members will be determined by this organization's bylaws.

The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in the board of directors, as defined by the corporation's bylaws. No director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

## ARTICLE 9

### Directors

The names and addresses of the corporation's initial Board of Directors are as follows:

Markesha James	700 South Clara Ave., DeLand, FL 32720
Stephanie Cooper	1571 South Woodland Blvd., DeLand, FL 32720
Emmett Boykins	1405 Talton Ave., DeLand, FL 32720

## ARTICLE 10

### Registered Agent and Office

The street address of the initial principal registered office of the corporation is: 700 South Clara Avenue, DeLand, Florida, 32720.

The name of the initial registered agent of the corporation at that address is: Markesha L. James.

## ARTICLE 11 Indemnification

The corporation does indemnify any directors, officers, employees, incorporators, and members of the corporation from any liability regarding the corporation and the affairs of the corporation, unless the person fraudulently and intentionally violated the law and/or maliciously conducted acts to damage and/or defraud the corporation, or as otherwise provided under applicable statute. Nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligation of this corporation.


## ARTICLE 12 Distributions Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the legal liabilities of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

## ARTICLE 13 Incorporator

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

Markesha L. James  
700 South Clara Ave.  
DeLand, FL 32720

  
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Signature

Monday, November 13, 2017.

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