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President's Monthly Message

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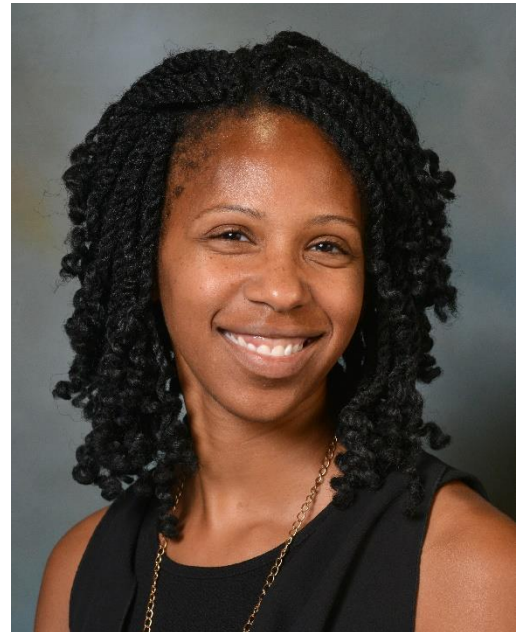
TCA is the association for all professional counselors in Tennessee.

We have a united sense of purpose that binds us together as a unique helping profession. It is the mission of TCA to unify all counselors in Tennessee because: Together we are stronger. Together we make a difference.

Message from the President

Hello TCA!

The Christmas season is one of my favorite times of the year! Although I am not one to turn away a good gift, the time with loved ones brings me the ultimate joy. While many believe this is the season to express your love and shower each other with gifts, I cannot help but think of how counselors do that year-round. Your work with your clients is a gift. **When I think about all the lives that have been impacted (or even saved) by what we do, I am inspired.** We do amazing work! Thank you for your year-round gifts to the community and thank you for being a part of the TCA family!



Love,

Dr. Eva Gibson, TCA President



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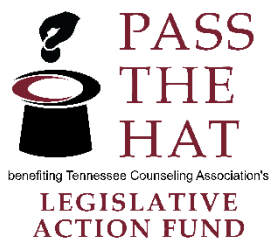
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Pass the Hat



In the last few years, TCA has had a nominal presence in Tennessee's legislature while issues affecting our profession have been front and center. We need to change that this year!

Our Legislative Action Fund will ensure that the issues that are important to our members get fair consideration in the upcoming legislative session.

Our site is now live and ready to take your contributions! Please consider a gift to the fund in order to promote our profession, protect industry growth, inform our lawmakers, and increase funding for school counselors in Tennessee.

Donations [Click Here](#)



INCREASE

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT IN SCHOOLS

We are working with Tennessee lawmakers to address the mental health needs of students in schools. We aim to decrease student to school counselor ratios and increase access to mental health resources and programs. Together we can prevent tragedies and help our children reach their potential.

**Please donate today to support
this effort.**



Save The Date - 2019 Conference:

November 7th - 10th, 2019

The 2019 Conference Planning Team has been busy from the moment the 2018 Conference ended.

Here are some of the highlights we can already share:

Location

[Nashville Airport Marriott](#). Whether you can't wait to hang out all night with your conference friends, or you are ready to relish the peace and quiet of your own room, or you bring the family and make a vacation out of it - these recently renovated guest rooms have just what you're looking for! Nashville Airport Marriott invites you to experience the best of the city, with award-winning service and a convenient location. The hotel is set on 30 acres of lush green space, a short distance from the excitement of downtown Nashville, and only four miles from BNA Airport; we offer a complimentary airport shuttle service, eliminating the hassle of travel.

Room Rate: \$169, per night. [BOOK NOW!](#)

Featured Keynote Speakers

Dr. Samuel T. Gladding:

If you have taken a counseling course, then chances are you have utilized numerous books or articles written by the prolific writer and exceptional speaker, Dr. Samuel T. Gladding. We are beyond thrilled that Dr. Gladding will be joining us at the TCA Conference to deliver a keynote address, "***Building Bridges in the Profession***".

Dr. Brandé Flamez:

Dr. Flamez is a counselor, counselor educator, CEO and Founder of the nonprofit SALT (Serving and Learning Together), and active leader in numerous counseling organizations. She will inform and inspire you with her keynote address, "***Building Bridges for others Through Advocacy and Leadership***".

[Read more about our Keynote Speakers Here](#)

Call for Proposals

Opens in January 2019. Accepted sessions will allow presenters to receive a discount on registration. Get your ideas ready!

Registration - Opening in early 2019!

Stay tuned for all updates at

<https://www.tcacounselors.org/conference>

Do you have news to share? Let us know!

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