
2014 Young Floridian

Vance Aloupis

State Director, The Children's Movement of Florida

After practicing law in South Florida, Vance Aloupis joined The Children's Movement in June 2010—and now serves as the organization's state director. Working directly with Dave Lawrence, Aloupis' work focuses on building statewide awareness and support for early childhood education through organizational collaborations, regional strategies, fund-raising and increasing public awareness.



Aloupis oversees the management of two statewide initiatives – one focused on ensuring that children across the state are enrolled in health insurance plans, and the other a statewide early literacy initiative focused on improving third grade reading proficiency.

A former student body president at the University of Miami, student trustee on the UM Board of Trustees, and a graduate of the University of Miami School of Law, Aloupis was the Judge Peter Palermo Fellow in the University of Miami Center for Ethics and Public Service's Street Law program. During his tenure, he created and taught curricula for juvenile detention centers in South Florida. Aloupis worked as a civil litigator and with the Legal Services of Greater Miami Homeless Project prior to joining The Children's Movement.

In 2012, Aloupis was appointed in 2012 by Gov. Rick Scott to serve a two-year term as a commissioner for the Governor's Commission on Community Service. He is a board member for the Miami Coalition for the Homeless and the Awesome Foundation Miami. Aloupis is also a graduate of the Miami Fellows program and Connect Florida, a Leadership Florida program focused on the next generation of statewide leaders.

He and his wife Mariella have two daughters, Isabella and Aria.
