

# AUGUST ADVOCACY IS ACTION

Advocacy is Action is NAFCC's annual campaign mobilizing family child care educators, allies, and advocates to drive real policy change during the Congressional recess. Beginning August 11, 2025, educators across the country will rise in unified action to protect and strengthen the future of family child care.

This year's campaign comes at a turning point. Family child care continues to be squeezed out of the system, despite being the backbone of early care in rural, multilingual, and underserved communities. With nearly 100,000 FCC programs lost since 2012, and more closures looming, the stakes are higher than ever.



FAMILY CHILD CARE EDUCATOR

## Zipporah Morris Scott

Educator, Mary L. Morris Family Child Care Center  
Palm Beach County, Florida

## Appointed Roles

- NAFCC **Quality Ambassador Accreditation Trainer**
- NAFCC **Observer**
- **Member**, Palm Beach County Family Child Care Association
- **Member**, Florida Family Child Care Home Association
- **Member**, Children's Services Council Resident Advisory Committee
- **Secretary**, Palm Beach County Family Child Care Association
- **Resident Advisory Committee Member**, Palm Beach County Children's Services Council
- **Subject Matter Expert**, Council for Professional Recognition (CDA)

## Impact

With over 13 years in the field, Over 150 children positively impacted over the years.

## Advocacy and Leadership

- Participated in Children's Week Florida, advocating for family childcare at the State Capitol during legislative session.
- Engaged in Child Care Aware of America Advocacy Day in Washington, D.C., meeting with Florida senators and representatives to address critical issues in family childcare and early education.

### Champion for Early Education

- Serves on the Children's Services Council (CSC) Resident Advisory Committee, a coalition of community stakeholders.
- Played a key role in repurposing \$14 million to create the CSC STAR Award, a salary supplement initiative for early childhood educators in Palm Beach County.
- The CSC STAR Award supports providers working with children birth through age five by offering financial incentives, reducing turnover, and promoting continued professional growth—ultimately enhancing quality care and stable teacher-child relationships.

### Program Leader

- Co-operator of Mary L. Morris Family Child Care Center, originally established by her mother 38 years ago to meet the childcare needs of working mothers.
- Zipporah joined the field to carry forward the legacy of quality, community-rooted family childcare, continuing to impact children and families through love, learning, and leadership.