Florida

**Senate**

Rick Scott  
Freshman Senator  
**Key Committees:**  
Senate Budget Committee

Marco Rubio  
**Key Committees:**  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
- Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee

**House of Representatives**

Rep. Matt Gaetz (FL-01)  
**Key Committees:**  
- House Budget Committee

Rep. Ted Yoho (FL-03)  
**Legislation:**  
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. John Rutherford (FL-04)  
**Key Committees:**  
- House Appropriations Committee

Rep. Michael Walz (FL-06)  
Freshman member

Rep. Stephanie Murphy (FL-07)  
**Key Committees:**  
- House Ways and Means Committee  
**Legislation:**  
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. Darren Soto (FL-09)  
**Legislation:**  
- Co-Sponsor – Transition-to-Success Mentoring Act  
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations
Congressional Reference Sheet
Note: Only members of Congress who are on committees relevant to mentoring or have co-sponsored mentoring legislation are on this document.

Rep. Val Demings (FL-10)
Legislation:
- Co-Sponsor – A resolution recognizing January 2018 as National Mentoring Month
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. Charlie Crist (FL-13)
Key Committees:
- House Appropriations Committee
  - Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee
Legislation:
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. Kathy Castor (FL-14)
Legislation:
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. Ross Spano (FL-15)
Freshman member

Rep. Vern Buchanan (FL-16)
Key Committees:
- House Ways and Means Committee

Rep. W. Gregory Steube (FL-17)
Freshman member

Rep. Francis Rooney (FL-19)
Key Committees:
- House Education and Labor Committee

Rep. Alcee Hastings (FL-20)
Legislation:
- Co-Sponsor – A resolution recognizing January 2018 as National Mentoring Month
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Rep. Lois Frankel (FL-21)
Key Committees:
- House Appropriations Committee

Legislation:
- Joined Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (FL-23)
Key Committees:
- House Appropriations Committee
- House Budget Committee

Key Committees:
- House Education and Labor Committee

Legislation:
- Led Dear Colleague – Youth Mentoring Appropriations

Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart (FL-25)
Key Committees:
- House Appropriations Committee
- House Budget Committee

Rep. Debbie Mucarsel-Powel (FL-26)
Freshman member

Rep. Donna Shalala (FL-27)
Freshman member
Key Committees:
- House Education and Labor Committee
Key Committees:

**Appropriations Committee** (House and Senate):

These committees write laws each year to fund federal government agencies and programs. The Appropriations Committees oversee the work done by smaller, specialized subcommittees, which write laws specific to certain subject areas.

- **The Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee** (House and Senate):
  
  These subcommittees decide funding for the Youth Mentoring Grant when it earmarks funds for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) at the Department of Justice (DOJ).

**Education and Labor Committee** (House)/**Health, Education, Labor & Pensions Committee** (Senate):

These committees write education- and workforce-related legislation. Laws that support school-based mentoring, like the Every Student Succeeds Act, go through these committees.

**Ways and Means Committee** (House)/**Finance Committee** (Senate):

These committees work on tax legislation, as well as Social Security and health and human service programs financed by specific taxes or trust funds. Work related to mentoring for foster youth, and tax incentives for corporations that with mentoring programs are particularly relevant to the work of these committees.

**Budget Committee** (House and Senate):

These committees review legislation that require federal tax dollars. The committees decide the level of funding for federal programs, and draft Budget Resolutions that the Appropriations Committee then uses to earmark funds.