# Department of Community Services

2015 REPORT



#### Our Mission

- The Department of Community Services serves as a safety net for struggling families throughout St. Charles Parish.
- Our mission is rooted in service to the community and is characterized by programs and services that are responsive to the needs identified through comprehensive intake and assessment process.

#### 2014 Intake Data

- 970 Families Served
- 74% Returning Clients
  - 26% New Clients

East Bank (56%)	West Bank (44%)
29% St. Rose	20% Luling/Boutte
20% Destrehan/New Sarpy	11% Hahnville/Killona
7% Norco/Montz	8% Paradis/Des Allemands
2% Homeless	3% Ama

46% from single parent households

# 2014 Low Income Home Energy Assistance

Families Served	Amount
757	\$364,300.00

Crisis Application	Amount
84	\$20,655.96

Total Clients Serviced: 841



## **Emergency Assistance**



215 Thanksgiving Baskets



112 Families
Local
Emergency
Assistance



43 ATMOS
Share the
Warmth
Applications

### Second Harvest Food Bank

Responding to an increase in food insecurity
 399 Applications Processed



399 Boxes



Impacting 686 SCP Residents

# **Community Center Programs**

**After School Drop In** 

**Summer Enrichment** 

Over 1,200 drop in hours of support to youth

2 sites with over 100 participants



#### Summer Food

8,079 meals served to 311 children

Serves lunch at 1 east bank and 2 west bank school sites during the summer months.



## Home Repairs

- 4 HOME Projects
- 35 Health & Safety Projects Completed
- 9 Ramps Completed



#### **New Initiatives**

**Youth Rally** 







# LIFESKILLS GED PARTNERSHIP



## HOME MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



# Killona Community Center Groundbreaking



# The Promise of Community Action

Community Action changes people's lives,
embodies the spirit of hope,
improves communities,
and makes America a better place to live.
We care about the entire community,
and we are dedicated to
helping people help themselves
and each other.

