



A Safety Net for Struggling Families

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St. Charles Parish Indicators



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Source: American Community Survey

Major Issues-2016 Needs (client ranking/intake data)

- * Food Insecurity-increase in monthly food distribution
- * Emergency financial support
- * Financial management-family budgeting
- * Lifeskills
- * Job opportunities
- * Affordable housing



Department Intake Data: 2016

1,160 Applied for Emergency Assistance
305 (26% new clients)

East Bank= 56%	West Bank= 44%
2% Montz	18% Luling/Boutte
4% Norco	4% Ama
7% New Sarpy	18% Hahnville/Killona
10% Destrehan	1% Paradis
33% St. Rose	3% Des Allemands

2016 Low Income Home Energy Assistance



Families Served	Amount
710	\$265,900
Crisis Applications	Amount
73	\$21,604
ATMOS Program	Amount
31	\$9,071

Local Support: Emergency Assistance



341 Boxes

Second Harvest Food Bank

116 Families

Local Emergency Assistance: \$19,319

24 Families

CSBG Emergency Assistance: \$3,730



Department Food Bank



342 Boxes Second
Harvest



240 Thanksgiving
Baskets

Community Center Programs-2016

St. Rose & Killona



After School Drop In	Summer Enrichment	Snacks	Special Programs
315 youth served	86* 2 sites	3,906	60 events

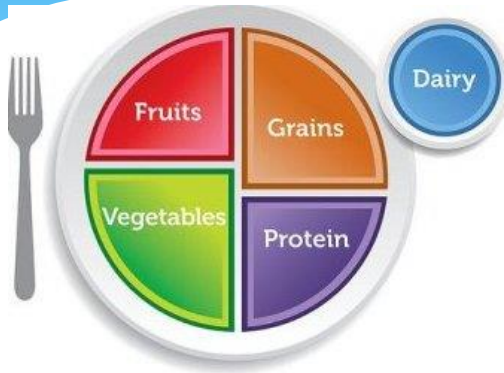


Home Repairs

- * **43 Health and Safety Projects Completed**
- * **17 Ramps (\$79,359 United Way funding)**
- * **3 HUD H.O.M.E. Projects**
- * **Application Assistance for USDA Rural Program Grants**



Summer Feeding Program



Three Sites

8,089

*** Meals Served**



Special Program Initiatives

* **Lifeskills 15 sessions**

- Healthy Cooking
- Financial Literacy
- Computer literacy
- Fun and fitness

* **Youth Rally**

- Over 700 participants

* **Mortgage Assistance**



Building Effective Partnerships

St. Charles Parish Social Concerns
Catholic Charities Money Matters Program
Alpha Daughters of Zion
Matthew 25 Food Bank
Families in Need of Services
Volunteers of America
United Way of St. Charles
Boys Town of Louisiana
St. Charles Parish Library
ATMOS Energy

