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**CHILDREN'S
COALITION**
For Northeast Louisiana

Creating communities where children and families thrive.

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To “envision” is to imagine a future possibility which may or may not be grounded in reality. A year ago, I would never have envisioned that our new home would be surrounded by a Family Garden and Early Childhood Outdoor Learning Center, or that thousands of parents would be better able to talk to their teens about difficult topics through monthly columns in Bayou Life and bi-monthly radio spots on KEDM. I could not have foreseen that Youth Development would be providing Child Sex Trafficking prevention programs, nor that child care centers would need us to help pay for background screens for their employees.



Each new program came out of a voiced need from our community—a place outside for families to learn and play together, accurate information about “hot” topics for parents and teens, a rise in child sex trafficking in our region, and a new federal policy. As my predecessor, Lynda Gavioli, has often said: the power of a local non-profit is that we can be “nimble and quick” in responding to community need. Your membership dollars and donations support these essential—but unexpected—programs.

We have also maintained and grown our existing programs by empowering both those we serve and our staff. Programs like AI’s Pals have expanded outside our region at the request of child care centers in Jackson Parish, our Family Resource Center classes are at capacity and our Early Head Start classrooms grew from 60 to 132 spots for infants and toddlers.

As you read through the annual report, take a moment to engage with the people and programs of the Coalition and envision where we can go in the coming year. Together we can truly create communities where children and families thrive.

- Dr. Lynn Clark, Executive Director



Having been involved with this organization from its beginning 20 years ago and recently returning to the board during the Director transition, it is quite amazing where we are today as an organization. Dr. Lynn Clark has built upon the foundation laid by those before her and has expanded our organization in ways that have reached more children than ever before. We currently have 17 programs across 14 parishes. None of this would have happened without the extremely dedicated staff that all work from a place of passion when it comes to the children we serve. Enabling our passion to be carried out is you - the partnerships, financial support, relationships that have evolved over many years, our members, board, educators, parents and businesses that all believe that the children are truly the key to our future.

This has been a year of transition in many ways, chief among them was a move to a new location where we now house all facets of the Coalition under one roof. Remodeling a building in downtown Monroe seemed only fitting as it places us closer to those we serve along with transportation just around the corner. Add to this our beautiful child playground and gardens area and you truly have a unique center for children and parents. We look forward to the exciting plans for continued expansion of the Children’s Coalition in the years to come. Your role will become increasingly important as these new things happen and we look forward with the help of your continuing participation. Again, thank you for helping us make this happen.

-Mark Parrish, Board President

Cover photo: Bellamie Bridges exploring our Family Garden during Super Saturday

ENVISION



ONE STOP SHOP

JANUARY 19, 2018

January 19, 2018 marked a day in Children’s Coalition history. Our doors opened for the first time at our one stop shop, 117 Hall Street, and gave our donors, partners and friends of the Coalition the first look inside.

This building is now home to our Family Resource Center, Child Care Connections, Administrative staff and one Early Head Start classroom. It is surrounded by the Family Garden and Early Childhood Outdoor Learning Center.

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As our children grow families need different things, and so we wanted to put the Coalition in one place where families could find us and then really work to serve those families in whatever way they need. -Dr. Lynn Clark

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THOMAS H. SCOTT AWARD

MAY 24, 2018

The Monroe Chamber of Commerce awarded us the Spirit of Community Award during the Thomas H. Scott Award ceremony. This award recognizes companies making significant contributions to the Ouachita Parish economy through capital improvements, expansion, job creation, and community involvement.

The renovation of 117 Hall Street has not only provided jobs in our construction industry, but continues to support our working parents supporting quality child care and education during critical brain development years to grow a stronger workforce tomorrow.



FAMILY GARDEN

JUNE 16, 2018

Located at 117 Hall Street, the Family Garden is a 25 raised-bed “family” garden and outdoor learning center that promotes healthy eating, positive family interactions and garden-based learning and play. The Family Garden supports Coalition programs and the community by growing fresh food for Early Head Start centers, training early childhood educators in garden-based learning and providing a space for families to grow, play and learn together. The Family Garden is open to the community every third Saturday of the month for Super Saturday.



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In loving memory of
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Jan 27, 1963 -
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EMPOWER

LaDarrica Sims has been part of the Children's Coalition family for six years. It began when she became part of the Early Head Start home-based program. Her home visitor taught her important lessons such as how to swaddle and care for her daughter Makenzie. Six months later, she was enrolled in our Early Head Start center-based program at our Beverly Street location. Early Head Start (EHS) programs serve infants and toddlers under the age of 3, providing intensive comprehensive child development and family support services to low-income families. The program is designed to promote the development of the children, and to enable their parents to fulfill their roles as parents as they move toward self-sufficiency. While Makenzie received quality child care, LaDarrica was able to participate in parent involvement activities and continue her education. Makenzie, now six years old, is thriving in school; she loves to read and is above her reading target level for her grade.

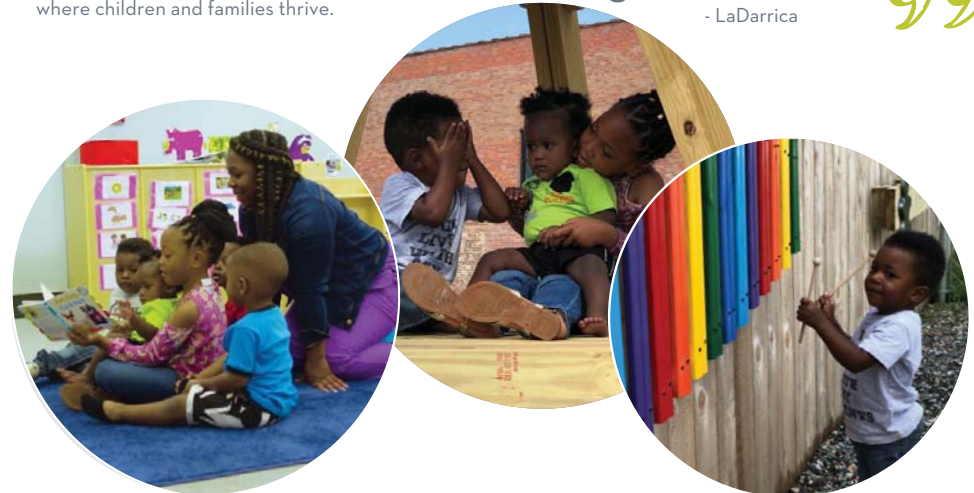
When the Children's Coalition expanded its Early Head Start program in 2018, LaDarrica's two sons Makhari (age 2) and Makade (10 months) were the first students at our new center at Louis Locke. As her children get an "early head start" on school readiness, LaDarrica is continuing her own education in the Children's Coalition Ancillary Teaching Certificate program. This program provides early childhood educators with the coursework and coaching to complete the national Child Development Associate credential (CDA) and apply for a state teaching certificate that will allow her to provide high-quality learning experiences for children in programs like Early Head Start.

LaDarrica and all three of her children play together at Super Saturday in the Family Garden. She has become an advocate among other Early Head Start parents about the importance of outdoor play and learning. LaDarrica and her children are just one example of how we can all work, play, and create communities where children and families thrive.



LaDarrica & Antoinette Hoard,
EHS Program Director

“The Coalition has given me the opportunity to advance my own career and help our whole family grow and thrive.”
- LaDarrica



Donate to help families like LaDarrica's at
childrenscoalition.org

EARLY HEAD START

In 2017, the Children's Coalition for Northeast Louisiana received a \$2.2 million grant to expand its Early Head Start and partner with child care centers resulting in 132 total slots in Ouachita Parish for infants and toddlers. As a result, the final three classrooms opened at a new Early Head Start center within the Monroe Housing Authority, located at 300 Winnsboro Road in Monroe. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on May 22 to celebrate the center's opening.

The Early Head Start Partnership and Expansion grant opened two new centers, one at 117 Hall Street and 300 Winnsboro Road as well as classrooms in two child care centers—Living Way Infant and Child Development Center in West Monroe and Kiddie Garden in Monroe. Three additional Children's Coalition Early Head Start locations include 907 Filhiol Avenue in Monroe, 508 Austin Street in West Monroe and 811 Beverly Street in Monroe.

The Early Head Start program is administered by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), and the Office of Head Start (OHS). The Children's Coalition is the grantee for the Early Head Start Program for Ouachita Parish.

Early Head Start provides early, continuous, intensive, and comprehensive child development and family support services to low-income infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and their families, and pregnant women and their families. The principles of Early Head Start are designed to nurture healthy attachments between parent and child, emphasize a strengths-based, relationship-centered approach to services, and encompass the full range of a family's needs from pregnancy through a child's third birthday.

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CENTERS IN OUACHITA PARISH

172
CHILDREN SERVED
98% up to date on dental exams
74% up to date on EPSDT exam
90% up to date on immunization
20% with disabilities
86% children at or above development by end of year
125 Average monthly enrollment
132 Funded Enrollment

152
FAMILIES SERVED
11 Married
141 Single
6 pregnant moms
89 families on waiting list

150
PARENT INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES
Policy Council
Parent Committee
Volunteer at Events
Classroom or Home Visits

294
COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS
STATISTICS FROM
AUGUST 2017 -
JULY 2018



PREPARING FOR KINDERGARTEN

APPROACHES TO LEARNING
Children will demonstrate attentiveness, motivation, and creativity while exploring their surroundings. > Children will demonstrate persistence and reasoning to reach a specific goal.

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Children will develop and engage in positive relationships and interactions with peers/adults. > Children will learn and establish ways to recognize and positively manage their emotions and behaviors.

LANGUAGE & COMMUNICATION
Children will engage and increasingly understand physical and verbal communication from others. > Children will progress in their ability to physically and verbally communicate to others. > Children will show interest and knowledge of the sounds and patterns of the spoken and written language.

COGNITION
Children will gain understanding about mathematical approaches as they explore the environment. > Children will gain understanding of the objects and people in their environment, how they work, how change happens, and be able to make connections between new and old information.

PERCEPTUAL, MOTOR & PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT
Children will develop skills for large muscles of arms and legs through balance, movement and manipulation of objects. > Children will develop controlled skills for small muscles of fingers and hands through exploring and using objects in the environment.

RIBBON CUTTING

May 22, 2018



Left to Right: Monroe Housing Authority Director Frank Wilcox
Monroe Chamber of Commerce Chairman Billy Haddad
Monroe Chamber of Commerce CEO Sue Nicholson
City of Monroe Executive Administrative Officer Mike Vining
Children's Coalition Executive Director Dr. Lynn Clark

EARLY CHILDHOOD OUTCOMES

1

Child Care Connections: Louisiana Department of Education
Helping parents find quality child care, providing training, and technical assistance to child care providers region-wide (11 parishes).

- 106 foundational learning opportunities/trainings
- 1,851 teachers trained, an average of 195 per month
- 504 targeted technical assistance/coaching sessions
- 55 child care referrals



Childcare Pre-K teachers received STEM Grants, funded by School Readiness Tax Credits & were given kits to implement what they learned in their classrooms.



Child Care Specialist Chasidee Baker leads teachers in the Brain Architecture Game during our Summer Spectacular Power of Play conference.

2

Community Networks: Louisiana Department of Education
Working to unify the early childhood system through streamlined program expectations, supporting teachers and coordinating enrollment and observations in three parishes: Ouachita, Morehouse and Richland.

- 83 Early Childhood Learning Centers (Child care, LEA, EHS/HS)
- 526 CLASS observations
- 10,000+ parents contacted
- 55 Child Care Directors meet monthly

“We have seen an increase in our CLASSroom scores since the coaching started. Seeing your diligence motivated me and my staff to work harder to provide teachable moments to every child we encounter.”

- Tracy Landers, Owner of Kids Planet Learning Academy in Tallulah



3

Preschool Expansion Classrooms: Louisiana Department of Education
Providing quality preschool programs with a certified teacher in age-appropriate settings in 2 child care centers -Majestic Youth Development & Little Flower Academy.

- 50 Pre-K children served in 2 child care centers
- 117 children, birth to 4 years
- 3 certified teachers in partnership with Monroe City Schools



Children at Majestic Youth received a visit from Monroe Mayor Jamie Mayo during Community Workers' Week.



Barbara Doyle, Assistant Teacher at Little Flower Academy, received an Ancillary Teaching Certificate.



Children's Coalition Institute held commencement ceremonies for its second cohort of graduates to earn their Ancillary Teaching Certificate at Louisiana Delta Community College.

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Ancillary Teaching Certificate, Children's Coalition Institute: Louisiana Department of Education

Providing education and training to teachers, enabling them to obtain credentials in early learning centers.

- 26 graduates from cohorts 1 & 2 completed the 8-month training
- 44 candidates actively enrolled in cohorts 3 & 4

5

Kids 1st Morehouse: Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems

Connecting systems that impact families to create improved developmental outcomes for children ages 0-3 in Morehouse Parish.

- 12 community partners
- 150 screenings completed for children 0-3
- 400 families reached

HEALTHY LIVING OUTCOMES

1

Al's Pals: Kids Making Healthy Choices: Northeast Delta Human Services Authority

Teaching preschool children the social-emotional and resiliency skills to make healthy choices.

- 37 schools and 6 child development centers
- 116 classrooms receiving service
- 1,765 children receiving weekly lessons in Ouachita, Morehouse, Union and Monroe City Schools

2

Al's Pals: Kids Making Healthy Choices: School Readiness Tax Credits

- 5 Pre-K classrooms in Caldwell Parish Schools and Caldwell Head Start
- 100 students served



Teachers from Jackson Parish-Winn Head Start completed the Al's Pals: Kids Making Healthy Choices training to strengthen Social-Emotional Learning in their students.



In honor of Orange Ribbon Week, students from U-ACT teamed up with Al's Pals to donate two buddy benches at Union Elementary School. Each Kindergarten class learned how to treat others and how to make safe and healthy choices.

3

Mental Health Consultation: Tulane Institute of Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health

Educating teachers and parents on developmentally-appropriate practices.

- 5 parishes served: Ouachita, Lincoln, Morehouse, Caldwell, Union
- 14 child care centers receive mental health support annually
- 500 children served

4

U-ACT: Northeast Delta Human Services Authority

Working as a Coalition in Union Parish to develop and implement a 5-year plan to address underage drinking and prescription drug abuse.

- 738 pounds of "prescription take back" drugs collected at 9 sites in region
- 23 U-ACT student ambassadors selected
- 23 students at leadership retreat
- 700 students at Red Ribbon Week (October) and Orange Ribbon Week (April)
- Partnership with ULM School of Pharmacy to support National Prescription Take Back Day to collect expired, unwanted and unused prescription drugs
- 265 trained as peer leaders for SADD during Ouachita Youth Summit



U-ACT Student Ambassadors during "Drug Free" Red Ribbon Week.



U-ACT not only encourages our generation to make wise choices, but also develops leaders who will blossom to be a light in the midst of darkness and to go out and make choices that will change the world.

- Rikenzie Johnikin, former U-ACT Ambassador & current student at Grambling State University



Photo: Emerald McIntyre/ULM Photo Services

"On January 16, 2017, I lost a life-long friend, Devin Harper, to addiction. At just 23 years old, Devin lost hope for himself after an addiction to Adderall for six years. I decided to use my position as a student pharmacist at the ULM School of Pharmacy to work with the Coalition and educate our community about opioid abuse. I started an initiative called Devin's Hope - to not only educate, but to instill hope for life in those like Devin who may have lost their way."

- Carleigh Roberts, ULM College of Pharmacy student

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES

1

SOS (Signs of Suicide): Living Well Foundation, Union Parish, Ouachita Parish and Monroe City Schools
Helping middle school students to recognize signs of depression and suicide in themselves and others.

- 2,543 teens trained on how to recognize the signs of depression and suicide
- 1,264 students screened for potential mental health problems
- 101 students referred for further evaluation/treatment of significant mental health problems
- 4 schools: Lee Junior High, Union Parish Middle School, Ouachita Junior High, West Ridge Middle School



Students & faculty from Carroll Magnet High School enjoyed leadership training during the 2017 Ouachita Youth Summit.



Youth Development Coordinator Jan Daniels receives a check from the Neville High School Interact Club. This donation helped fund Youth Development programs like Signs of Suicide.

2

Youth Leadership Summit: Community Sponsors
Developing leadership skills in students chosen by school counselors.

- 265 middle and high school students from 34 Monroe City, Ouachita Parish, and area private and parochial schools attended the second annual summit on the beautiful campus of ULM
- 5 students were awarded "Children's Coalition Next Steps Scholarships"

Sponsor students attending the Youth Leadership Summit:

\$50 provides opportunity for one student to attend
Corporate sponsorship opportunities available
www.childrenscoalition.org/sponsorship

3

Ouachita Adolescent Health Coalition: Louisiana Public Health Institute
Building a Coalition to help identify and meet the reproductive health needs of adolescents.

- 230 participants at 6 Ouachita Parish Health Coalition meetings
- 2 trainings - "How to Have the Talk" for professionals
- 25 Parents trained

"Next Steps Scholarship" Winner of the Emile A. Barrow Jr. Scholarship for Ouachita Youth Leadership, Jordan Hunter. Jordan will be attending Xavier.



Students from 11 middle and high schools in the region join together to row in the 2018 First National Bank Bayou DeSiard Dragon Boat Races.



4

Not a Number: Louisiana Public Health Institute
A child trafficking and exploitation prevention curriculum developed by Love 146.

- 1 staff & 1 board member trained in curriculum
- 6 students trained at Green Oaks

“I’ve learned so many life lessons about social media, suicide, confidence and making wise decisions that have shaped the way I think today as I prepare for college and the real world.”



- Brooke Edmonson, 2018 Next Steps Scholarship Winner & Ouachita Youth Summit attendee

PARENT EDUCATION OUTCOMES

1

Family Resource Center: Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services

Providing parenting, family skills building and visit coaching to help reunite families in the DCFS and foster care system.

- 206 referrals
- 30 Triple P Seminars
- 14 Ace Seminars
- 7 Sixteen Week Cohorts for Nurturing Parenting Program
- 42 Sessions Family/Life Skills and presented by community partners
- 37 clients referred for Visit Coaching



Strengthening the bonds of attachment through parent education.



2

Time To Talk

Partnering with KEDM & BayouLife Magazine to bring accurate and appropriate information from state and local experts about issues that affect children, so that parents can understand and communicate with and about them.

- 8 monthly articles in BayouLife Magazine
- 12 bi-monthly segments on 90.3 KEDM Public Radio
- Over 7,000 people reached on social media

“ Thank you for restoring hope and reassurance to parents who feel lost or defeated by their own shortcomings or by our broken system and giving life back to one child, one family at a time. Teaching and learning will be the start to a lifetime of new, respectable and hopeful people. ”

- Nurturing Parent Program Graduate

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Parenting for All: School Readiness Tax Credits

Providing on-demand, evidence-based parenting sessions in the community.

- 100 Grambling State University Social Work Students trained in Adverse Childhood Experiences & Triple P Seminar



Damon Nailer, Parent Educator, with two recent graduates from the Family Resource Center Nurturing Parenting Program.



Parenting Coordinator Gatha Haynes presented Toyshyana Gaines with a "Next Steps" Scholarship to assist her with her studies at Alcorn State University

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Jus4Me Teen Parenting: United Healthcare, Louisiana Children's Trust Fund

Encouraging healthy pregnancy outcomes for pregnant and parenting teens at the school site through Nurturing Parenting for Teen Parents.

- 24 Jus4Me Teen Parenting sessions taught at 4 schools: Carroll High School, Wossman High School, Bastrop High School and Morehouse Junior High
- 8 healthy birth weight babies (5lbs 8oz to 8lbs) as of June 2018

\$200 = 1 new mom; \$2,000 = whole school group

Your donation helps support Jus4Me Teen Parenting at a local high school

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SPECIAL EVENTS

In addition to working on programs in our four focal areas, the Children's Coalition comes together as a staff to present several community-based events each year.



DIA DE LA FAMILIA

Lake D'Arbonne State Park, Farmerville, LA

Seventh annual year celebrating Hispanic culture and heritage in Union Parish, providing vital community resources for all ages. Partners included Louisiana Health-care Connections, U-ACT, RMMC, Union General Hospital, Aetna, Louisiana State Parks, Origin Bak and Southern Couture.

○ 460 registered attendees

"BULLYPROOF" BULLY AWARENESS/UNITY DAY

October 25, 2017

Schools in Union Parish, Morehouse Parish, Ouachita Parish, Monroe City and child care centers wore orange to pledge their stand against bullying. Schools are supporting efforts year round by placing Buddy Benches on playgrounds - students feeling lonely or upset can calm down and are encouraged to meet friends.

○ 2,000 participants



OUACHITA YOUTH SUMMIT

November 8, 2017

Third annual gathering of nominated junior high and high school students from area public, private and parochial schools to learn leadership skills. Students learned about topics ranging from healthy choices, social media safety, bullying, suicide and more.

○ 265 students representing 34 schools



FAMILY DAY IN THE PARK

April 21, 2018

In partnership with the City of Monroe, this event combined games, activities, crafts, music, food and fun at Forsythe Park to celebrate National Week of the Young Child, funded in part by School Readiness Tax Credits.

○ 2,000 participants



NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION TAKE BACK DAY

October 28, 2017 & April 28, 2018

Expired, unused and unwanted prescription medications were collected during 2 national take back days. Partners include: Northeast Delta HSA, Brookshire's, Louisiana State Police - Troop F, ULM College of Pharmacy, Union Parish Sheriff's Office, Morehouse Parish Sheriff's Office, Louisiana Highway Safety Patrol, Cardinal Health and U-ACT.

○ 738 pounds of medicine collected at 9 drop-off locations in Morehouse, Union, Ouachita and Lincoln parishes

66 We've made countless connections with other outstanding community groups because of our work with the Children's Coalition.

-Angela Hammond, Brookshire Grocery Company



BAYOU DESIARD DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

Friday, May 11 - Saturday, May 12, 2018

The 2018 First National Bank Bayou DeSiard Dragon Boat Festival is our signature fundraising event, supporting underfunded programs within the Coalition. Of the 26 teams, 18 were corporations and 8 were youth.

Premier Sponsors were Choice Brands, Southern Beverage, Entergy & Aetna.



- 546 rowers (21-person team)
- 2,500+ attendees
- 100 participants in Fun Run
- 21 community resource vendors
- 45 Friends of the Festival
- 11 schools participated

SUPER SATURDAY IN THE FAMILY GARDEN

Third Saturday each month

A major part of the revitalization effort in downtown Monroe, the Family Garden opened on June 21, 2018. With garden based activities for children and adults, activities in the outdoor learning center, seminars for parents and volunteer opportunities in the garden and in the community, Super Saturday welcomes families to grow and learn together.

- Summer sponsored by Aetna
- 102 attendees



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 1, 2018
Bullyproof Campaign Kickoff
- October 2, 2018
Founder's Day Breakfast
- October 13, 2018
Dia De La Familia
- October 27, 2018
National Prescription Take Back Day
- November 7, 2018
Ouachita Youth Summit
- November 8, 2018
What Works Conference
- December 31, 2018
School Readiness Tax Credit Deadline
- March 20, 2019
Annual Meeting
- April 6, 2019
Family Day in the Park
- May 10-11, 2019
First National Bank Bayou DeSiard Dragon Boat Festival

Volunteer with us!

Programs like Rock 'N Read and Super Saturday playground cleanup offer opportunities for all ages to make a difference.

www.childrenscoalition.org/volunteer

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\$25-\$75 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

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Southern Beverage



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First National Bank
Jean & Saul Mintz Foundation
Dr. and Mrs. Mark Napoli

SCHOOL READINESS TAX CREDITS

For every dollar up to \$5,000 contributed to the Coalition, businesses will receive a dollar-for-dollar refundable credit on Louisiana State taxes - redirecting tax liabilities locally into quality early childhood experiences through training, coaching, equipment and partnerships.

Adrian James Logging, Inc
Angie Sanders Ad Group
Atkins Well Service, Inc
B&A Smith Enterprises LLC
B.A. Electrical, LLC
Bamburg Consulting Inc
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Custom Fabrication & Consulting
D and L of Ouachita
David Cole, CPA
Delta Tire of Winnfield, Inc.
Don Tant Logging, Inc
Dr. Linus Carroll
Dustin Bailey Adjuster, LLC
FEPS, LLC
Financial Instution Service Corp.
Gaar Timber, LLC
Garr Equipment Sales
Glen Peppers Consulting, Inc.
Gregoire Consulting, LLC
Griffin Funeral Home
Gulf Inland
Gulf South Warehouse
Hatten Tire Center Inc.
Heard, McElroy, Vestal
Herringstone's Inc
Holyfield Assets, LLC
Holyfield Construction, Inc

Holyfield Investments, LLC
Ingles Timber Inc.
J 4 Consultants Inc
J&K Drugs
JC Maxwell Consulting, Inc.
Jeffery V. Anzalone, DDS
JGH Architectural Interiors Inc.
JM Neatherland Consulting
John S. Carroll, CPA
Joseph Lang Logging
JRU Consulting, LLC
K & K Boyd Enterprises LLC
K&M Equipment LLC
KB Will Inc.
Keahy Flying Service of Columbia, Inc.
Kimpa Hayes Boyd, CPA, LLC
Lane Eldeman, DDS, LLC
Larry Bratton Drilling Co, Inc
Laura Wood Agency, LLC
Lelon Kenney Farms
Liles Parker, PLLC
Louisiana Agricultural Corporation, LLC
Louisiana Plastic Industries, Inc.
Luke Bird Consulting Inc
M D Smith Lumber Company
Mark Johnson Plumbing
Mark Napoli, MC APMC
McFarland Timber Inc.
McKeithen & Lewwlyan Professional Law
Mac's Fresh Market #1 & #2
McManus Timber Company, Inc.
MCS TWO, LLC
Michael Franks Logging
Michael or Andrea Engler
Mixon & Carroll, APLC
Mixon, Carroll, & Fraizer, PLLC
MLP Enterprise, Inc.
Moss Logging, Inc.
Murphey Consulting Services
Murphrey Oil Company, Inc.
Northgate Development, LLC
NV Francis Consulting, LLC
Origin Bank
P Two, LLC
Parts and Service, Inc.
Pineland Contracting Inc

Pioneer Consultants Inc.
Pipe Line Constructors, LLC
PK Morris
Progressive Bank
RAL Interests, LLC
Raw Restaurant
Ricky G. Caples D.D.S.
River Ridge Renovations, LLC
RJP Enterprises, LLC
RO Wheeler Enterprises, LLC
Robert Franks Logging
Robertson Fruit & Produce, Inc.
Rodney Alexander, LLC
Ronnie Darden Farms
Ronnie Laird Consulting, Inc
Rosalie Estate, LLC
Rowland Logging
Scott Equipment Sale, LLC
Scott Equipment Sale, LLC
Scott Financial Services, LLC
Seven R. Consulting, LLC
Sierra Land Services
Skent N Dent Home Appliance Outlet
Sleepy Hollow Furniture
Standard Enterprises Inc.
Steven H. Gaar Logging, Inc
Stott Transport
Stott Wood Company
Strauss Properties, LLC
Strauss Tallulah, LLC
T.V. Resources, Inc.
The Kirksey Agency Inc
The Orthopaedic Clinic of NELA
The Scott Corporation LLC
Thera-Pax Enterprises Inc.
Therapy Fields Farms
Thomas & Farr
Tim Simons Logging, LLC
Turner Rexall 1136, LLC
Twin City Investments
Vantage Health Plan
Williamson Consulting
WoodmenLife/Woodsmen Financial Services