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Today, we are highlighting SOME of the many services offered in the Community Development and Services Department's Newsletter. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

IMPACT LAKE CHARLES AMERICORPS

On November 2-4, 2016, eight (8) local elementary schools participated in a comprehensive program called Safety Town that was held at the Lake Charles Civic Center. AmeriCorps had over fifty (5) non-member volunteers who assisted in teaching fire and home safety, safe and healthy me, motor vehicle safety, and bike and pedestrian safety. AmeriCorps members educated 206 students at T.H. Watkins Elementary School in fire safety. AmeriCorps members also participated in five (5) community service projects during the month of November.



SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

The 2016 Business Summit was held on November 10, 2016 at the Lake Charles Civic Center. Approximately 50 persons were in attendance for the certification seminar and 11 vendors participated in the vendor showcase. Those in attendance were very pleased with the wealth of information provided. Local small businesses are encouraged to register with the Small Business Opportunity Program so information can be received on upcoming seminars and trainings in and around the Lake Charles area. The SBOP Program Coordinator, Carmen Gordon-Williams, can be reached by calling (337) 491-1392 or emailing carmen.williams@cityoflc.us.

AMERICORPS VISTA GRANT PROGRAM

In November, the AmeriCorps VISTA members traveled to Baton Rouge to the Capitol Area Re-entry Coalition. Dr. Edward J. Latessa, PH.D. was the guest speaker at the Coalition's conference. This conference provided imperative information on what works and what doesn't work in re-entry. Along with this conference, the VISTA members visited and participated in telephone conferences with thirteen (13) organizations in November.

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