



Educates children, strengthens families and builds community

Kingsley House eNewsletter

December 2008

Generosity abounds in November

In spite of the current economic downturn nationwide, the Kingsley House family displayed impressive generosity last month with outstanding contributions to our agency-wide holiday food drive and the annual United Way Staff Campaign.

On November 12 and 13, the Kingsley House Health Care For All program coordinated an immensely successful holiday food drive. In only two days' time, staff, participants and board members provided enough food items to distribute to 19 families involved in Kingsley House programs. In addition to a bevy of non-perishable foodstuffs, which included canned vegetables, pasta, cereal and other items, each family received a frozen turkey specially purchased by Kingsley House Board Members.

Kingsley House employees extended their spirit of giving during the month of November to the 2008 United Way Staff Campaign by pledging a total of \$15,475.92, surpassing the initial goal of \$15,000. In all, a total of 129 staff participated in the campaign, equaling 97% of all current staff.

We thank all who participated in the food drive and the United Way campaign for their hard work and support.



"Walking in a Winter Wonderland"

A rare winter storm passed throughout Southeast Louisiana on December 11, leaving as many as 2 inches of snow accumulating in some areas of New Orleans. Kingsley House closed the agency for half a day, but not before a snowman made an appearance in the campus courtyard.

Shell brings early Christmas to Kingsley House



On December 16, employees of the Shell Offshore Corporation in New Orleans collectively fulfilled the Christmas wishes of all 192 Kingsley House Head Start and Early Head Start girls and boys as they delivered a vast amount of wrapped gifts, games, bicycles and toys. The children each received several gifts from their own personal wish lists, while parents were present to help shuttle the new toys back home.

Executive Director Dr. Keith Liederman, rear left, was on hand to share in the holiday spirit with preschool children and their parents during the Shell Toy Giveaway on December 16, 2008.

We thank Shell and their employees for their continued generosity to Kingsley House and for bringing smiles to the faces of all of our preschool children and their families during the holiday season.

We wish you and yours a
Happy Holiday Season
and a
Healthy and Prosperous New Year
From the Kingsley House Family

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About Kingsley House

Kingsley House, nationally renowned as the oldest Settlement House in the South, has served more than half a million people since it was founded in 1896. Today, we serve nearly 7,000 people annually in a wide variety of nationally accredited and state certified capacity building programs. We continue to devote all of our energies and resources to our mission of *“educating children, strengthening families, and building community”* as we work toward the successful recovery, rebuilding and healing of our city, state and region.

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