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MERRY CHRISTMAS

37 students share letters to Santa



Dear Santa,

I know that I take a picture with you, but at night I wait for you to bring presents and in the day I saw presents but it's not Christmas yet. Christmas is the best day ever. I love you Santa. I want a world map.

Miles Strickland

Mimosa Park Elementary
Second Grade

Dear Santa,

I'm on the nice list because I helped my mommy when she needed help. I pick up trash at Mimosa. I am kind to others. When Lydia was mad I helped her. I hold the door for the teacher. For Christmas I want a horse that has wheels, a LOL doll and slime.

Halle Lee

Mimosa Park Elementary,
Second grade



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Dear Santa,

I have been good but also a little naughty. I've been doing my chores but sometimes I get yelled at so I would say I'm in the middle.

Jaxson Kael

Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade

Tornado victim remembered as fun-loving and generous

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Loving. Generous. Fun. Giving. Family members said Allison Alexander was the life of every party.

"She never a met stranger," Yvette Raymond, Alexander's sister, said. "She was full of love. She didn't have much herself, but she would have given anyone anything or fed anyone who needed it. She always did."

Alexander, 56, was killed last week when a tornado touched down in Killona. She was home with her boyfriend and three of her grandchildren at the time.



ALEXANDER on 6A

Family members described Allison Alexander as the life of every party.

Luling couple gets married in own home after Hurricane Ida repairs made

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Corey Oxford and Megan Cortez had always planned for a Nov. 11, 2022 wedding. And while their nuptials still happened on that day, it was a location change courtesy of Hurricane Ida that they say ended up being one of the most special elements of their wedding day.

Oxford and Cortez both grew up in St. Charles Parish and graduated from Hahnville High School. They purchased Cortez's childhood home on River Road in Luling, where they live now with their two daughters



MARRIAGE on 7A

Corey Oxford and Megan Cortez on their wedding day.

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Classic car show benefits Special Olympian

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Michael Love smiled broadly as he described his favorite classic car, one made famous on the television show Supernatural.

“The 1967 Chevy Impala,” Love said. “That’s one of my favorite cars to see. My mom says ‘it’s built like a beast and it sounds like a beast’ and I agree.”

The former Destrehan High swimmer was enjoying a few moments after the conclusion of a car show held Saturday at Cypress Lakes to benefit the River Parishes chapter of Special Olympics Louisiana, and specifically Love’s soon-to-be trek to Berlin, where he is preparing to compete as a swimmer in the Special Olympics World Games next summer.

The car show named 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners among its 30 entrants and prizes were awarded. The unique, classic cars were a sight to see while motorcycles were also featured. Santa Claus was also on hand to take photos with his visitors and there was music, games and food to enjoy at the event, as well as a raffle.

Though the weather wasn’t perfect on Saturday – the show was not rained out, there were spells of rain on a cool day – it didn’t derail the show.

“People came out and supported us,” said Michael’s mother Connie. “Some left because of the weather, ultimately, but they showed up and that’s what matters. We had a good time today, a lot of families out here ... it was a success.



Santa was on hand at Saturday’s car show.

“It’s Christmas and it’s been rough with all of the storms we’ve had. But it makes you feel good to have people come out, support and show love.”

Love said he was appreciative of the support. The show itself was also very enjoyable for him as he’s got a love for classic and restored cars.

“My mom rebuilt an old Ford Galaxie from scratch,” said Love. “That’s a mean car.”

Connie noted her son is well into preparation for next summer, swimming two to three hours a day on every day of the week. She added he recently got to meet his teammates-to-be.

There is a raffle being held to go toward Love’s trip, with a prize of \$750

CAR SHOW on 7A

Local homeless ministry plans massive January outreach

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Janice Blocker’s mission is personal. In 2017 she started the Proverbs 14:31 Homeless Ministry to bring hope, comfort and the love of Christ to the homeless – all things she said at one point in her life she desperately needed.

“I was homeless off and on until I was 9 or 10,” she said, explaining her parents and siblings lived in a car for most of her childhood. “I recognized how mean people can be to the less fortunate ... it’s terrible to be a little girl with matted hair and to be walking into a church looking for help ... I still carry it ... those are things that stick with people.”

Blocker moved to St. Charles Parish as an adult, and her time volunteering at St. Charles United Methodist Church led her to start her ministry. The name of her organization refers to Proverbs 14:31 in the Bible, which states “Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.”

“We recently became a 501(c)(3) non-profit, so that is a big deal for us because it allows us to apply for grants,” Blocker said. “We have a board now and we are hoping as a 501 to expand. We would love to serve families in St. Charles Parish ... that is a goal of ours. We would also like to have funds set aside to help send homeless people home to families or friends.”

Blocker said her organization is now planning for their winter event on Jan.



Janice Blocker has been organizing homeless outreaches for nearly.

21, in which donations will be accepted through the month of December. Top needs include winter caps, mittens, coats, pop-up tents, sleeping bags, socks, individually wrapped food and snack items, first aid kits, pre-moistened washcloths, belts, and womens’ sanitary items. Thinner coats work better for layering, Blocker said, and added that the only other clothing item needed are jeans.

Drop-off locations include St. Charles United Methodist Church and Anytime Fitness in Destrehan. Blocker has also created a Facebook event page titled “Proverbs 14:31 Homeless Ministry’s Winter fundraiser,” with details and a place to donate money.

“I will gladly pick up cash donations and buy gift cards and get supplies,” Blocker said. “We are also desperately in need of a place to store supplies.”

As part of the winter event, Blocker

HOMELESS on 7A

Following elections, School Board will welcome four new faces

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For the first time in a long time, the St. Charles Parish School Board will see significant turnover when the calendar year turns.

Four new members will be joining the board as Scott Cody, Becky Weber, Ray Gregson and Karen Boudreaux will be assuming seats previously held by Dennis Naquin, Jay Robicheaux, Melinda Bernard and Sonny Savoie after the latter four opted to not run again.

The four newcomers will officially take their seats in January.

Gregson is the latest of the four to earn his spot as he will represent District 2 after a victorious run-off against Robert Fauchaux earlier this month. Gregson is the father of three students in the school system and his wife is an educator at J.B. Martin.

“In our parish, you rarely have school board elections, much less run offs,

and at the end of the day, I think it’s a great thing,” said Gregson. “It forces us to think, answer questions and to talk about things. It’s what’s best for the people.”

Becoming a school board representative is something the Luling man has considered for a long time.

“I think my experience working in the school services industry and providing programs for tutoring for others in Orleans, Jefferson Parish ... that helps with the education side of it,” Gregson said. “On the business side of it, I understand technology, the digital side of things. I’ve had to respond to negative feedback, and I think it comes down to having a proactive plan to be able to address people’s concerns. If we make a mistake, own it. ‘We made a mistake and we’re going to fix it.’”

He added that the parish’s school system has built a strong foundation – but that there’s always room for improvement.

“We should not be satisfied with the status quo,” said Gregson. “If we make data driven decisions, strive for continuous improvement, it will lead to success. We’re in good shape if we stay focused that every decision we make is to benefit a child.”

Scott Cody is set to represent District 3 after qualifying unopposed following Naquin’s decision to step down.

Cody said the St. Charles Parish school



Becky Weber



Scott Cody



Ray Gregson



Karen Boudreaux

system was a key reason he and his family came to live in the parish in 2008. The Texas native and his wife have two daughters who will be attending parish schools, which was a motivator for him to run.

He said discussions with Naquin as the latter settled in on his decision to move on from the board was another.

“I got to know (him) well ... he was a representative for more than 16 years, and I’ve always felt he did such a great job,” Cody said. “When he called me

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New non-profit celebrates Aboriginal Carnival Indians through life, history, and cultural sharing

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A new non-profit organization formed this year has big plans for St. Charles Parish.

Feather Fund NOLA was founded this year on three key principles. The first is to uphold and celebrate the culture, music, and history of the Aboriginal Indians of Louisiana. The second is to provide education and activities to promote the aboriginal culture, and the third is to provide opportunities and programming for youth in high-need areas in the community.

Rachel Ledet, a Feather Fund NOLA board member, explained that the organization was formed because of the economic need to give more job opportunities and exposure to the Indians through events and appearances in which the Indians will profit financially.

“We want to create a funnel that helps them get more exposure and output from their culture,” she said.

Ledet said the organization is in major fundraising mode currently as they plan new ways to provide the Indians and their families with not only appearance



Feather Fund NOLA was founded this year and aims to uphold and celebrate the culture, music, and history of the Aboriginal Indians of Louisiana.

opportunities but more educational opportunities and access to technology. She said the industry-rich economic climate of St. Charles Parish is a perfect place for the organization to focus its efforts.

“We want to invite St. Charles Parish industry to really partner with us and showcase what they have to offer as far as jobs and career paths,” Ledet said.

The organization has been welcomed by St. Charles Parish President Matthew Jewell, River Parishes Tourist Commission, many industry leaders, Destrehan Plantation and many other local entities, Ledet said.

INDIANS on 8A

SCC names field for legendary coach

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When St. Charles Catholic put the finishing touches on its second consecutive state football championship this month, it was the latest chapter in the story of a program that’s evolved into one of Louisiana’s powerhouses.

Wayne Stein has led the Comets to two football and two baseball state crowns over the past two calendar years as the head coach of both programs, an incredible feat that will be tough for anyone to replicate for quite some time.

In the 1990s, it would have been very difficult to imagine SCC ascending to these heights. But for more than two decades, Frank Monica built a legacy as the school’s athletic director and head football coach – he was the winningest head coach in the history of the River Parishes, helped mold countless boys into men, and by his final season in 2020 at the age of 72 had laid the foundation for the Comets to continue on under his protégé Stein as one of the state’s most respected programs.

Recently, the school made sure that legacy will be long remembered. SCC brought members of the Comet family from throughout the program’s history together to celebrate the dedication of Thomas Dupuy Stadium’s Monica Field.

“I’m honored and humbled by it, and



Frank Monica speaks before SCC QB Club.

probably not deserving of it,” Monica said of the Comets’ home field being named in his honor. “All I did was do my job. I did my job as hard as I possibly could and gave it everything I had. I wanted my kids to win games but more than that I wanted them to take something with them forever, not just from game time of football season. I wanted to make them accountable. I wanted to give them from structure.”

Monica, who finished his career with 284 victories, guided the 2011 Comets to the first state football championship in school history, an undefeated 15-0 season that saw St. Charles largely dominate its competition before earning hard-fought victories over

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Scarlet and Sienna.

Their wedding was originally planned to take place at the Bayou Barn in Marrero, but Hurricane Ida had other plans.

“The entire roof in Sienna’s one room caved in, so it rained a lot in that room,” Oxford said. “When we started gutting that room we found water damage in the room across the hall too.”

There was also some work that needed to be done on the outside of the house, he said.

“We were pretty much going through the same thing that everyone else was with insurance,” he said.

To save money the couple decided to move their wedding to their home, where the bulk of hurricane damage repairs were done by July.

“It was perfect,” Oxford said of their wedding day. “It was warm during the day and when the sun went down it got a lot cooler. We lucked out ... we had the perfect day.”

Cortez said the event was more special because it was at their home.

“The bridal room ... that room was



completely ready for me and that was actually my bedroom growing up,” she said. “It was so neat to have the girls at home playing all day long, and then all our neighbors came over for the wedding.”

Oxford said their wedding day felt very peaceful.

“We were just able to wake up at the house and have no worries,” he said.



Corey Oxford and Megan Cortez were able to complete Hurricane Ida repairs on their home in time to get married there.

“I got ready and then they hid me in the bedroom. I didn’t see the setup until I walked down the aisle ... it was mind-blowing. After the wedding we had dinner in our kitchen and when we were ready the DJ announced us and we walked out the door that we walk out of every day. It was just cool ... there were a lot of cool moments.”

Cortez said one of her favorite moments of the day was going with their

photographer to take pictures on the levee, where they were able catch a birds-eye view of the day’s festivities.

“We wouldn’t have been able to have those special feelings wrapped up into one night if we would have had the wedding anywhere else,” Oxford said.

CAR SHOW from 4A

of butcher cut meat from Cox’s Meat Market in Reserve . There are also plans to host another car show in the coming months, and a football pool is also to be held for the cause. Connie can be reached at (985) 618-6246 for those interested in participating or otherwise donating.

Love was diagnosed with autism as a young child. He was non-verbal until he was approximately 5, but has come so far since then – he now does public speaking and advocates for people with intellectual disabilities. He began swimming with the local chapter of the Special Olympics program at the age of 6, and by age 8 he was competing.

Love was a four-year member of the Destrehan High swimming team as well. He is a health messenger for the state of Louisiana, a global health messenger and an athlete leader for the Special Olympics.

The Special Olympics World Games take place every two years and alternate



Michael Love behind the wheel of a winning entrant in Saturday’s car show.

between Summer and Winter Games, a schedule similar to the Olympics and Paralympics. Attracting as many as

350,000 volunteers and coaches, plus several thousands of athletes, these World Games can be the world’s largest

sporting event of the year. The World Games feature more than a week of competitions involving thousands of athletes. Through media coverage of the Games, the stories and achievements of children and adults with intellectual disabilities are made known to millions of people worldwide.

The 2023 Games will be held June 17-25.

In Orlando, Love and his seven swim teammates were part of a collection of 58 Louisiana athletes competing in the games from June 6 to 11. A total of 5,500 athletes in all took part in this year’s games, drawing competitors from all 50 states and the Caribbean.

Love took silver in the 4x50 yard free relay and bronze in the 50-yard butterfly. He also took fourth place in the 100-yard freestyle.

HOMELESS from 4A

said she also hopes to give out as many Christmas gifts as she can to the homeless population.

“I’ll never forget one year we gave out gifts and I had a woman in her 40s with tears in her eyes that told me this was the first Christmas present she had gotten in three years,” Blocker said. “Ever since I heard that I always do something for Christmas. Sometimes people will look able-bodied, but that doesn’t mean

that they’re OK and that they can get a job or hold a job. Most of the time it is severe mental health issues ... we don’t always know what’s going on by just seeing someone. No one would ever choose to be homeless.”

Blocker said anyone interested in donating items, money or their time can contact her at 504-510-0999, Janiceblocker51@gmail.com or through the Proverbs 14:31 Facebook page.

Checks made out Proverbs 14:31 Homeless Ministry can also be mailed to 54 Ormond Place in Destrehan. The zip code is 70047.



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up and said he was going to step down and do some other things in his life, he asked if I had any interest in running ... I prayed about it, talked to my wife who was really supportive and it kind of felt like the right thing.”

Cody has served as a substitute teacher, and during the COVID-19 pandemic he taught a Satellite Center broadcasting class virtually.

“I’ve never been a full-time teacher. I always say, those who have that set of skills, you’d like to empower them,” Cody said. “With both of my daughters in the school system, I want to make sure they and all of the students continue to have that opportunity to have a great educational experience ... it’s really just about keeping this ship moving forward. This is, in my opinion, the best school district in the state, and there’s a huge responsibility to keep that momentum going”

Weber, meanwhile, will represent District 6 going forward.

She is well-known in the education community. Now retired, she previously served as principal at Norco Elementary

School, part of her 36-year career in education – all of that in St. Charles Parish. The Destrehan High alum is married to another former principal in Stephen Weber, who served in that role at Destrehan prior to his own retirement.

She said she had a desire to get back into education, and felt this was a good way to lend her experienced voice to the process.

“I knew Jay was probably not looking to do it anymore, and thought this was a good time,” Weber said. “We live in Norco. Our kids went to Norco Elementary, then Hurst, then Destrehan. I was both a teacher and administrator in the district, and I feel like I’m coming in with a lot of experience with the ins and outs of education.

“I want to continue supporting what our Superintendent has done in St. Charles Parish ... coming out of a major pandemic, I feel Ken (Oertling) and the administrators have done a remarkable job getting everyone back on track. I want to help make sure we stay headed in the right direction, and make sure we

do what’s best for these kids every day. That has to be the priority.”

She added she was floored by the support she received when she announced she was running.

“I put out these signs, and I was so humbled ... so many people reached out and didn’t know I was running, and wanted signs. To learn I was that well-respected ... I never thought that. I am really excited about all of it.”

In District 4, Karen Boudreaux and William Fahrig Jr., each of Des Allemands, battled for the spot. Boudreaux was victorious.

Boudreaux said her decision to run for the board came after a year of careful consideration and a conversation with the then current representative of her district.

“When discussing the true role and responsibilities of the position, it confirmed that my education, experience, community service and current involvement as a parent in the school system would be an asset to the board,” Boudreaux said. “I believe my military

service, community service and continued education make me uniquely qualified for this seat. As a veteran, I understand following the chain of command that is necessary to honor and respect the teachers and the administration.

“Having an MBA, I can also navigate the business side of our school system to include the budget. My current degree program in counseling will be an asset to effective communication with the other board members, parents, staff, stakeholders, and the kids.”

She added that it is important to acknowledge that St. Charles Parish Public Schools continues to operate and achieve at high levels.

“While I would be serving as one of eight board members, I will advocate for fair accountability, safe and secure campuses, high-quality teaching and learning, social and emotional wellness, special needs advancements, and fiscal responsibility,” she said.

INDIANS from 5A



Future events planned by Feather Fund Nola include a St. Charles Parish Cultural Festival celebrating the Aboriginal People of Louisiana, a Cultural Festival Fundraising Gala in Destrehan, and a Carnival Second Line Procession that would start at Destrehan High School and culminate with a celebration at Destrehan Plantation.

Ledet said the Feather Fund NOLA board is excited to offer the entire River Region the chance to get acquainted with Aboriginal Indian Culture, all while helping the Indians continue in their traditions and culture. “We want to give money back to the original

community with the goal of providing financial support to continue their history and culture,” she said. “We want to highlight the inter-connection of the trans-Atlantic slave trade and the Aboriginal/Pioneering cultures of Louisiana through education, events, and festivals.”

For more information visit www.featherfundnola.com.

DEDICATION from 5A

Parkview Baptist and Amite in the Class 3A semifinals and finals, respectively. It was Monica’s third state championship at the prep level, after leading Lutchter and Riverside to state crowns over the course of his career.

At the time, the Comets win was the pinnacle of a journey that began with Monica’s arrival at the school following his tenure as an assistant coach at Tulane.

The hero of this story is Monica’s wife Nancy, who asked him to make the jump to St. Charles once that job was available.

“She’s the one that told me, ‘I’d

appreciate you taking the St. Charles job,’” Monica said. “The college life is tough. Away games, recruiting ... she was very encouraging of it. ‘You have the chance to coach your sons, your nephews’ and that it would be easier on her if I did that. And she had a point. She was the one running the car pools, and there’s something to be said about sleeping in your bed every night.”

Once he arrived, step one upon taking the helm of the football team was to get the team’s numbers up. SCC had moved up to Class 3A for the first time ever and only made that cut by eight students in

its enrollment.

“Sometimes we had to recruit kids in the hallway, convince them to come on out,” Monica said.

The athletic facilities also needed to be upgraded. Monica credited the support of parents and others around the program for making it happen. The third step was to convince the players they would be successful.

The culture Monica envisioned started to be ingrained. To that end, he understood he had to set the example from the top.

“I felt like I had to be the first one to the office and the last one to leave. There’s a saying, ‘The speed of the pack is determined by the pace of the leader.’ I was also blessed with great assistant coaches,” Monica said.

Among those assistants were Stein, his nephew, and his son Ty, each of whom served as his coordinators – Wayne on defense, Ty on offense – and who are piloting the program to this day following Monica’s departure from the sideline.

Between football, baseball and softball, both men along with Monica’s son Nick have all led teams to state crowns as head coaches.

“I’m very, very proud of them, and very flattered when I see them do a lot of the same things we incorporated years ago,” Monica said. “They all have a strong work ethic. It’s not about what you know as much as it’s about your work ethic.”

They also each share one of Monica’s strongest traits, attention to detail, something that extended far beyond x’s

and o’s. His program was built on a foundation of accountability and discipline. The Comets never took off their helmets during games or practice - “If I call on you to go into a game, I don’t want you looking for your helmet” - and one of his axioms most quoted back to him by parents and former players is “If you’re 15 minutes early, you’ll never be late.”

“I feel that if you make the little things important, the big things will take care of themselves,” Monica said. I grew up with it. My older brother coached really, really well. My college baseball coach was my mentor and he was very detailed. If you let the little things slide, that little thing can become a big problem one day,” Monica said.

“Kids want discipline. They want structure. It’s not about trophies on a wall, but all about relationships and all about that experience you share with one another.”

Monica was quick to note that while the stadium will bear his name, the honor is one shared by the SCC community as a whole.

“It just symbolizes all that’s gone on,” Monica said. “It’s because of all the coaches and players who put so much into it, because of the administration, Quarterbacks Club and the community that pitched in all those years. That field’s been a memorable one and has hosted some big victories. I look back at the things we’ve done ... it went a lot deeper than me.”

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I want you to bring me Orbeez and more pens. I also want you to bring me a bigger case for my pens. Can you also bring me a new water bottle and school supplies?

Savannah Marretta
New Sarpy Elementary
Second grade

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, Your Elf on the Shelf really pays off. And I really want some Fortnite V bucks and a puppy!

Austin Marse
Ethel Schoeffner
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Chanelle Duplessis

Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is toys for kids that can't celebrate Christmas. For me, I want an American Girl doll and jewelry and a great Christmas too. Thank you!

Amelia Cole

Mimosa Park Elementary
Second Grade



Dear Santa,

I love you so much. I hope
you get this letter. I hope you
have a great Christmas.

Scarlett Dauzat

New Sarpy Elementary
Second grade



Dear Santa,

I want a lot of presents. I want a Lamborghini and a hellcat for my dad. I want a Gucci house.

Jor'dan Johnson

Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,

I have been good but also a little naughty. I've been doing my chores but sometimes I get yelled at so I would say I'm in the middle.

Jaxson Kael

Ethel Schoeffner
Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. I think I should be on the nice list. I picked up trash on the playground. I always say the pledge in the mornings at school. I'm always quiet in school. That is why I want to be on the nice list. For Christmas I want a ballerina doll and a dog stuffed animal. Also a fancy doll.

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Can I have Hello Kitty things please? And tell my elves thank you for the snap bracelets.

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Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a LOL house. They are so cool and sometimes they change colors. Thank you so much for sending my class an elf named Mr. Jingle. I am so excited for Christmas.

Blythe Bourgeois
Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year and I was hoping I could have a VR headset for Christmas. If I do get one I will be excited and I will never ask you for expensive items again.

Reid Martin
Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I would like fake nails. I would like a wildcat necklace and poster. I would like a Christmas backpack. I hope you have a good Christmas.

Olivia Fonte
Mimosa Park Elementary
Second Grade



Dear Santa,
I want Pokemon cards. That is it.

Bentley Horton
New Sarpy Elementary
First grade



Dear Santa,
How are the reindeers? How are the elves? What do they look like? I hope they are making me a super cool toy and snow globe! Make that two snow globes – one for me and one for my brother.

Carson Stigler
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How do your reindeer go across the city? I love Christmas. Who is your favorite reindeer? Is Rudolph real? What do you do during the summer?

Brynlee Welch

Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,

I want a big white board, a real puppy, and a baby that looks like a real baby. What does the North Pole look like? Santa, how are the deers?

Arlie Matherne

Mimosa Park Elementary
Second Grade



Dear Santa,

I want a Jurassic Park set and a baby brother.

Cade Cassagne

New Sarpy Elementary
First grade



Dear Santa,

I want a pretend baby boy because my other one broke – his arms and legs fell off! I also want a pretend puppy that looks real that I hold. My real dog is too big to hold!

Kylie Drago

Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,

Why do you eat milk and cookies? Why do you come down the chimney? When do you make the toys? Why do you wear red? Where do the elves come from? How many kids are on the nice list? How many kids are on the naughty list? Do you have children?

Dallas Burton

Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a camera, a Barbie dream house, and for me and Papi to have fun. I want an LOL OMG doll – you know which one. And a truck for my brother, but a toy because he can't drive at all.

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Can I have a smart projector? Is my elf having a baby?

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Dear Santa,
I want to come see you at the North Pole or at the mall. You are so cool because your outfit is awesome!

Liam Powers
Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,
I'll leave it up to you. Should I be on the naughty list or nice list? Thank you.

August Mills
Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a dirt bike. They are really fast and I like to race. I can go to my grandma's house and ride. Xoxo

Ashton Perkins
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Lacie Bayonne
New Sarpy Elementary
Second grade



Dear Santa,
I really want a dirt bike – I hope you got my wishlist. I love you Santa! When you come to my house, I will have chocolate chip cookies and milk.

Joseph Sentilles
Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,
I think that my sister should be on the naughty list because she is rude and I help my mom a lot and my sister goes on her phone and I help clean and my sister does not but anyways I clean up more than her and I'm nice.

Gia McCloud
Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,
How are you doing? My mom might make you some cookies for Christmas. I would like a new bike for Christmas and some clothes. Can you surprise my mom with a puppy and a VR headset? That's all. Thank you.

Jalana Lumar
New Sarpy Elementary
Second grade



Dear Santa,
Since I already have a dirt bike, can I get a 4-wheeler? Also, thank you for the elf. Please do not give me coal. I'll take presents instead. My brother would like a baby toy like a train.

Gage Cannon
Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,
My family needs to be on the nice list please! We have been very good but say a little bad words or I fight with my sister but no worries I will fix it next year. Hey Santa, do you mind giving me a Nintendo Switch Minecraft chip? Meet you or not at Christmas.

Michael Park
Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade

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Dear Santa,
I would like a kid's book of myths. I love you! Tell Olaf I said hi!

Avery Simon
New Sarpy Elementary
Second grade



Dear Santa,
I want a toy car and a soccer ball net. I hope Mr. Jingle, our class elf, says good things about our class to you. I also really want a t-ball net. I hope you get this letter before Christmas!

Jameson Doell
Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,
My brother wants a 4-wheeler and I want a trampoline. I have been so good this year so I hope I get a lot of presents.

Brant Keller
Norco Elementary
Kindergarten



Dear Santa,
Hi, it's me Sidney Price. I know you're probably really busy with your elves, but I was wondering if you could get/ make me one single thing ... I was hoping you could make me a desk. Thank you! You are the light in the sun that lights up someone's day.

Sidney Price
Ethel Schoeffner Elementary
Third grade



Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie house because my Barbies do not have a house and they need somewhere to live. I also want an LOL doll. Mr. Jingle has been so silly in our class – he was taped to the wall!

Eden Falgout
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Austin and Bree Webre at a baby shower for Rosie

Dominic Gomez took a train ride with Santa at the Louisiana Train Association train yard

Lady Tigers finding groove as district schedule begins

Hahnville is 9-6, district battle with Destrehan will begin 2023



HHS head coach Arrianna Smith.

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After a bit of a rocky start to the season, Hahnville is starting to find its groove.

After beginning the season on a 1-3 start, the Lady Tigers are winners of five of their last seven games, the most recent a 56-24 victory over Catholic of New Iberia, bringing their record to 9-6 overall.

This year's Tiger team sees several players in expanded roles from a year ago, but one very familiar face in senior Kourtney Irons, a sharpshooting wing who has played extensively for a strong program under head coach Arrianna Smith.

There is some exciting youth on the way up, including sophomores Dihlynn Mitchell and Ryli Martin, both of whom shined during the team's summer league exhibition schedule. Several sophomores along with a strong junior class fills out the team's rotation, with junior guard Saige Stewart among its leaders.

While Hahnville still has much ground to gain, Smith says, the team's growth over the first 15 games of the season is unmistakable.

"It's a growing process right now," Smith said. "There are growing pains – we are doing well, but the growing pains are inevitable and we're working through it. We're still trying to establish



Ryli Martin of Hahnville defends on-ball.

that chemistry ... different individuals are stepping up on different nights, but we still have to find that consistency over four quarters each night. We've done some good things and we're hoping to build on that in our upcoming games."

Part of establishing that consistency is finding an identity. Typically, for Smith's teams that has come at the defensive end, where the Tigers have been relentless in her time at the school. This team has shown signs of that, particularly in its recent stretch – prior to a 71-48 loss to Mandeville, it held five consecutive opponents to 44 points or less. At the same time, there have been three occasions the opposition has crossed the 70-point barrier.

"Right now, it's a difficult question to answer because it's been different things night to night," said Smith when asked what the team's strong point has been thus far. "Something that may be key in one game isn't in the next. We've been finding a way, but I can't say we're relying on offense mainly or defense mainly

– you just never know which it's going to be right now."

She expects that growth as this is a group that gives maximum effort.

"We've been up and down but we're playing hard," Smith said. "I think our win against New Iberia (a 49-41 win at the Lady Tigers' home tournament) was one we really fought for ... that one

a game that could carry a bit more hype than recent years. The Lady Wildcats are off to a strong start after a few re-tooling seasons following the program's state championship win in 2017, DHS carrying a 10-3 record into this week, with eight wins in its last nine games. Destrehan will host the rivalry matchup, the second time the teams will play in

"It's a growing process right now ... we're playing well but still trying to develop that chemistry. We've done some good things and hoping to build on that in our upcoming games."

— Arrianna Smith

stands out to me."

The team is 1-0 thus far in District 7-5A play via a 57-39 win over Central Lafourche. The team returns to district action next week, on Dec. 29 in an away game at Terrebonne.

The first game of the new year pits Hahnville against archrival Destrehan,

the Wildcats' revamped gym on campus.

"We've seen them play here and there so far this year and they have a strong team," said Smith. "I'm expecting a very competitive game. They host, so we'll have to be prepared mentally for that atmosphere, but these are the types of games that get the girls excited."



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Jai Eugene
Destrehan, Senior quarterback

Eugene made a leap as a passer in his final season with the Wildcats and it was a key factor in Destrehan sealing state championship glory. The senior passed for 1,898 yards and 23 touchdowns against just three interceptions this season. He was dangerous as ever with his legs, rushing for 726 yards and 13 touchdowns, that last stat including his 29-yard, eventual game-winning touchdown dash in Destrehan's 17-10 state championship win over Ruston.

Dakota Williams
Hahnville, Senior wide receiver

Williams finished with more than 600 yards and eight touchdowns through the air this season, which only begins to tell the story. He started the season slow as he returned from a knee injury that sidelined him in his junior season but erupted over the season's second half – he finished with 10 total touchdowns, including two kickoff returns for scores, and he added nearly 100 yards rushing as well. He closed his career with a two-TD reception game in the playoffs.

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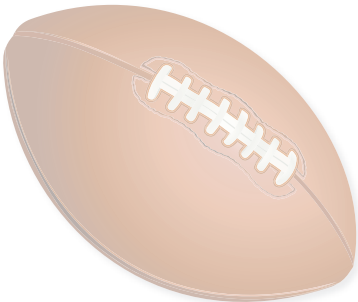
Kolaj Cobbins
Destrehan, Junior defensive end

Cobbins showed why he continues to be one of the most sought after collegiate prospects in the state. He had 11 sacks, three forced fumbles, five passes defended, 62.5 total tackles and 16 tackles for loss. He hurried opposing passers 16 times. Cobbins’ year also included a punt return for a score on a tipped kick – he simply found a way to impact the game over and over again as one of the state – and the nation’s - most versatile and talented defenders, and Destrehan reigns as state champion assisted by his play.



Cincere Simmons
Hahnville, Senior defensive end

Simmons was a wrecking ball again in 2022. A defensive cornerstone at Hahnville for three seasons, he closed his Tigers career with 10 sacks and 16 tackles for loss, spending much of his time in the opposing backfield. He made 67 tackles and logged 16 quarterback hurries as well. Simmons even got in on the offensive side of the ball as a ball-carrier in the team’s Beast formation, finding the end zone as a red zone sledgehammer.



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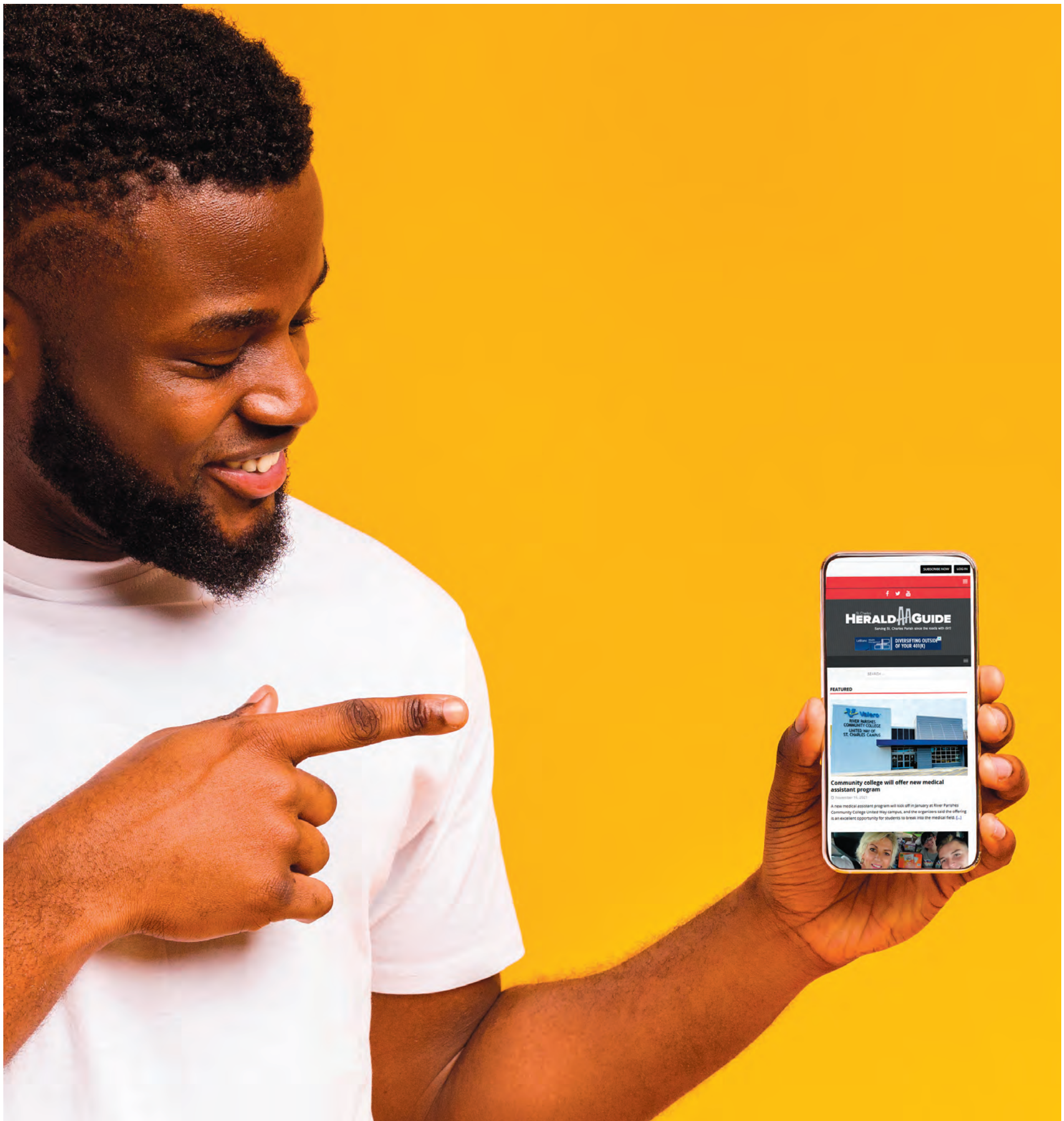
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Minimum qualifications: Bachelor's degree; valid driver's license; criminal background check. Salary range: \$50,000.00 - \$60,000.00, commensurate with qualifications and experience, plus benefits. Submit resume to: 'Drug Court Coordinator' via email to DivisionE@stcharlesgov.net or via mail to 'Drug Court Coordinator', attn: Chief Judge, P.O. Box 424, Hahnville, LA 70057. **Deadline: January 15, 2023.**

Prayers

Prayers

Christmas Day with My Heavenly Father

My dear Heavenly Father above, You shower me with Your love. It seems like I will still be here for another Christmas Day if God wants me to stay. I know my time is getting short but I know I'm not lost. My Jesus set me free & I'm now as free as free can be. Next Christmas I may be gone but my Lord will bring me Home. I'll be there for all Eternity as the ages roll on & on & be near my Heavenly Father's Throne. My life was not in Vain, because my work for Thee was going on & help bring Lost Soul to God's Throne.

I thank Thee everyday & pray, pray & pray. One day I will be gone & rest in my Heavenly Home.
Amen & Amen

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"I, Carmen Sabdolph , **DOC #999999**, have applied for clemency for my conviction of Prohibited Acts- All Schedules; Contributing to the Delinquency of Juveniles. *If you have any comments, contact the Board of Pardons (225)342-5421.*"

Publish: December 8, 15 & 22, 2022

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The St. Charles Parish Housing Authority Board of Commissioner will have a Board of Commissioner Training retreat. The retreat is set for January 27, 2023, starting at 3:00 p.m. and ending January 29, 2023, at 11:00 am.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this training, they may be directed to the Executive Director, Leatrice Hollis P.O. Box 448 Boutte, LA 70039 or via email at lhollis@scphousingauthority.com.

Publish: December 15, 22 & 29, 2022 & January 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2023

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Sealed bids are requested by St. Charles Parish School Board from general contractors for construction of:

RK SMITH BUILDING A ADDITION & MAIN CORRIDOR FLOORING REPLACEMENT LULING, LOUISIANA

Bids will be received at the **St. Charles Parish School Board**, Physical Plant Services, 13855 River Road, Luling, Louisiana 70070 at **1:00P.M., LOCAL TIME, Wednesday, January 11, 2023**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Dufresne Conference Room.

B. BID DOCUMENTS AND DEPOSITS

Complete Bid Documents for this project are available in electronic form. They may be obtained without charge and without deposit by visiting the public projects area at www.cityblueprint.com. Printed copies are not available from the Designer, but arrangements can be made to obtain them through City Blueprint & Supply Co. or most other reprographic firms. Please note that Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs. Questions about this procedure shall be directed to:

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Bidding documents are also available at www.stcharles.k12.la.us under "Resources," select "Online Bids, RFP's, etc."

All other questions regarding the scope of work of the project should be directed to the Project Architect in writing via email only: mbourgeois@ddnec.com.

C. BID SECURITY AND PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENTS BONDS

Bids must be accompanied by a bid security at least equal to five percent (5%) of the base bid and all additive alternates in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond and a payment bond, each in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

Contract, if awarded, will be on the basis of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, if within the budget. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 45 days after bid opening except as provided by law.

Bidders must meet the requirements of the State of Louisiana Contractor's Licensing Law, R.S. 37:2151 et seq.

D. REJECTION OF BIDS

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E. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A **PRE-BID CONFERENCE** will be held at the **St. Charles Parish School Board Office, Dufresne Conference Room, 13855 River Road, Luling, LA on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at 1:00 P.M.** Attendance at this pre-bid conference is **MANDATORY**.

F. ADVERTISEMENT DATES

LEGAL AD TO RUN: December 8, 2022
December 15, 2022
December 22, 2022
December 29, 2022

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
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Dr. Ken Oertling, Superintendent
13855 River Road, Luling, LA 70070

Public Notice

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office will receive sealed bids until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at the Sheriff's Office, Courthouse Building in Hahnville, Louisiana for the following:

POLICE UNIFORMS, made to police specifications, for the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office Employees for a two-year period from bid award through December 31, 2024, with a one-year optional renewal at the same rates/terms when agreed upon by both parties.

Detailed specifications may be obtained by contacting Nicole Henry at the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office (Phone 985-783-6237 ext. 2070) Courthouse Building, Hahnville. Refer any questions about the bid to Captain Troy Whitney (Phone 985-783-6180).

Bids must be plainly marked on outside envelope **"BID-POLICE UNIFORMS"** and delivered to the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office or mail to P.O. Box 426, Hahnville, Louisiana 70057 by the date and time listed above. Bids received after that time shall be returned unopened.

The Sheriff reserves the right to reject any and all bids pursuant to the law. St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises to participate in this solicitation.

/s/ Greg Champagne, Sheriff

PUBLISH: December 15th & December 22nd, 2022

Public Notice



ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Sealed bids are requested by St. Charles Parish School Board from general contractors for construction of:

**SATELLITE CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT
285 JUDGE EDWARD DUFRESNE PKWY.
LULING, LOUISIANA 70070**

Bids will be received at the **St. Charles Parish School Board**, Physical Plant Services, 13855 River Road, Luling, Louisiana 70070 at **9:00 A.M., LOCAL TIME, JANUARY 12, 2023**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Dufresne Conference Room.

B. BID DOCUMENTS AND DEPOSITS

Complete Bid Documents for this project are available in electronic form. They may be obtained without charge and without deposit by visiting the public projects area at www.cityblueprint.com. Printed copies are available from the Architect, Meyer Engineers, Ltd., 4937 Hearst Street, Suite 1B, Metairie, LA 70001(Phone: (504) 885-9892) upon payment of a deposit of **\$50.00 cash for each set of documents for hard copy set and /or a non-refundable fee of \$25 for an electronic set on compact disk.** The deposit or a portion of the deposit is returnable as provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

Bidding documents are also available at www.stcharles.k12.la.us under "Resources," select "Online Bids, RFP's, etc."

All other questions regarding the scope of work of the project should be directed to the Project Architect in writing via email only: meyer@meyer-e-l.com.

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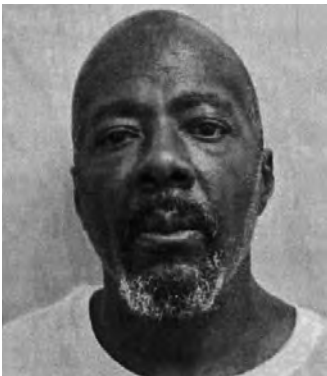
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I, **Troy White**, have been convicted of Carnal Knowledge of a Juvenile, Date of Conviction: 02/23/2010, Carnal Knowledge of a Juvenile, Date of Conviction: 02/28/2010 , Carnal Knowledge of a Juvenile, Date of Conviction: 02/28/2010. My address is: 508 Killona Dr., Killona, La. 70057.

RACE: Black
SEX: Male
DOB: 10/07/69
HGT: 5'8"
WGT: 200
HAIR COLOR: Black
EYE COLOR: Brown

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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EAST BANK HEAD START RENOVATION & ADDITION
DESTREHAN LOUISIANA

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ST. CHARLES PARISH

Request for Proposals

for

Program Administrative/Management Services to Implement the St. Charles Parish CDBG – Disaster Recovery Program

St. Charles Parish has been allocated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery funds in the amount of \$3,897,180 by the Office of Community Development for disaster recovery efforts in response to the 2020 and 2021 disasters. These funds are to be used for infrastructure and economic revitalization efforts through the Hometown Revitalization Program and Resilient Communities Infrastructure Program. The Parish is interested in procuring the services of an administrative consulting firm to manage the implementation of these programs.

The procedures for the selection of this firm will be in accordance with the procurement requirements of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development, CDBG Disaster Recovery Program, and St. Charles Parish. All responses received will be evaluated in accordance with the selection criteria and corresponding point system, which is identified in the Request for Proposals package. The package also identifies the scope of services to be performed by the selected firm. All proposals will be scored and ranked with the highest rated firm being awarded the contract. Interviews may be conducted at the Parish's discretion or in the event of a tie.

Interested parties are invited to secure a proposal package from Stacy Dugas by e-mailing a request to sdugas@stcharlesgov.net.

Proposals must be received by the St. Charles Parish Grants Office at P.O. Box 302, Hahnville, LA 70057 or 15045 River Road 3rd Floor, Hahnville, LA 70057, no later than 10:00 a.m., local time on Monday, January 23, 2023. Any proposal received later than the specified time and date will NOT be accepted or considered.

No facsimile, e-mail, or telephone proposals will be accepted. Submitted Proposals MUST be sealed and clearly labeled: **St. Charles Parish CDBG – Disaster Recovery Program Management Services** on the outside of the envelope/package, as well as the Proposer's business name, address, and license number (if applicable).

St. Charles Parish is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises to apply.

Persons requiring reasonable accommodation to respond to this solicitation are requested to contact Carla Chiasson at cchiasson@stcharlesgov.net to discuss their particular needs.

Advertisement Source and Dates:

St. Charles Parish Herald Guide
St. Charles Parish website - <https://www.stcharlesparish.gov/>
The Advocate

Thursday, December 22, 2022
Thursday, December 29, 2022
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DAVID FERRARO
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ST. CHARLES HERALD GUIDE**
December 22, 2022
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St. Charles Parish Public Schools
December 15, 2022

Advertisement for Request for Proposals

Proposals will be received electronically via the Online Bids, RFPS link under Resources at www.stcharles.k12.la.us until 12:00 p.m. on Friday, January 13, 2023, for the following:

Network Infrastructure Upgrades

St. Charles Parish Public Schools is seeking written proposals from E-rate eligible vendors for network infrastructure upgrades to its Local Area Network (LAN) at the sites listed in the RFP.

Advertising dates in the Herald-Guide, official journal of St. Charles Parish Public Schools, shall be:

Thursday, December 22, 2022
Thursday, December 29, 2022
Thursday, January 5, 2023

The St. Charles Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
13855 River Road
Luling, LA 70070

Received by: _____ Date: _____

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Suit No: (45) 90828-E

Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2022

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Parish of St. Charles

29th Judicial District Court

State of Louisiana

By virtue of and in obedience to a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE directed to me by the Honorable 29TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT in and for the PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, State of Louisiana, dated: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2022, in the above entitled and numbered cause, I shall proceed to sell at public auction at the principal front door of the Courthouse of which the Civil District Court of the Parish of St. Charles is held on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023, at 10:00 A.M., to the last and highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit: That certain piece or portion of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of St. Charles, State of LA., being a portion of the property commonly known as Red Church Property in Section 3, T13S, R8E, and Section 14, T12S, R8E, Southeastern District of LA, East of the Mississippi River, designated as Red Church Plantation Estates Subdivision, Phase 2B on survey prepared by J.J. Krebs and Sons, Inc., dated 10-18-84, revised 5-22-85, Ordinance No. 85114 Entry No. 115489 approved 11-10-85, recorded in COB 347, Folio 444, St. Charles Parish, LA., and according to which said Lot is designated and described as follows: Lot 247 located in the area bounded by Tara Drive, Rosedale Drive, San Francisco Drive, Longview Drive, River Road (side), Destrehan Avenue (side), Ashton Drive, and Whitehall Drive. Said Lot 247 commences 125.31 feet from the corner of Rosedale Drive and San Francisco Drive and measures thence 60 feet front on Rosedale Drive, same width in the rear by a depth of 100 feet between equal and parallel lines. All as more fully shown on survey by J.J. Krebs and Sons, Inc., dated April 7 1988, except that said property is also bounded by South Boundary of Subdivision, (side). And from the proceeds of said sale to pay petitioner by preference over all other claims, the sum of: EIGHTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWELVE AND 78 / 100 (\$81,512.78) DOLLARS, along with interest and attorney's fees and all other costs including my own costs and charges.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE: CASH IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK DUE BY 2:00 P.M. DAY OF THE SALE.

GREG CHAMPAGNE-SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR
ST. CHARLES PARISH
PUBLISH ON: December 22, 2022
January 19, 2023
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
Allison N. Beasley
457 Louisiana Avenue
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225-372-8877
SCSO-CIV-209-0402

Public Notice

ST CHARLES PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO 1

The Board of Commissioners of St Charles Parish Hospital Service District, Parish of St Charles, State of Louisiana met for a regular Board of Commissioners' meeting on September 28, 2022, at 2 00 PM It was noted the following Board Members were present Mrs Pamela Smith, Mr Timothy Vial, Mrs Karen Raymond, and Mr William Sirmon

Absent Mr Jake Lemmon

Mrs Pamela Smith announced Public Hearing and requested anyone wishing to address the Board on any of the agenda items for today's meeting to please speak now There being none, after three (3) announcements, the Public Hearing was closed

Under Special Business, Mr Keith Dacus announced the special recognition Mr Keith Dacus announced the Employee of the Month for July 2022 as Ms Angela Sheppard, Patient Access Rep at St Charles Parish Medical Office ODC Mr Dacus stated Ms Sheppard was recognized by her peers and patients for her caring attitude towards everyone Mr Keith Dacus announced the Employee of the Month for August 2022 as Mrs Roxann Cyprian, Security Officer Mr Dacus stated Ms Cyprian interacts and helps everyone in the hospital and does everything anyone asks of her Mr Jarrett Fuselier announced the Leader of the Quarter for the second quarter 2022 as Ms Ern Jacobs, RN, Director of Surgical Services Mr Fuselier stated Ms Jacobs leads performance improvement projects in improving care and under her supervision, the department's employee engagement has improved tremendously Mrs Lindsay Licata announced the Provider of the Quarter for the second quarter 2022 as Dr Sarah Champagne, DO, Primary Care, St Charles Parish Medical Office Mrs Licata stated that Dr Champagne joined us after Hurricane Ida and has been through a lot of transition over the last year while seamlessly caring for patients and at the same time achieving outstanding quality and patient experience scores

Mrs Pamela Smith entertained a motion to enter Executive Session for discussing Strategic Planning and/or Personnel issues It was motioned by Vial seconded by Raymond to enter Executive Session at 2 10 PM for the purpose previously stated

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

It was motioned by Raymond seconded by Sirmon to return to regular session at 2 33 PM

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

New business followed Mr Keith Dacus presented the IGT for Medicaid Program Support for \$4M It was motioned by Vial and seconded by Raymond to approve the IGT for Medicaid Program Support for \$4M

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The next item of new business was the approval of the final resolution to authorize CEO or board chair to enter into the rural hospital cooperative endeavor grant participation agreement It was motioned by Vial and seconded by Raymond to approve the final resolution to authorize CEO or board chair to enter into the rural hospital cooperative endeavor grant participation agreement with the change to delete and amendments thereto

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The next item of new business was discussion by Mr Keith Dacus to move forward with the publication of the public notice and bid process for the hospital's official journal It was motioned by Sirmon seconded by Raymond to approve the publication of the public notice and bid process for the hospital's official journal

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The Board of Commissioners' Minutes from the August 31, 2022 meeting were presented There being no revisions, it was motioned by Sirmon seconded by Raymond to approve the August 31, 2022 Board of Commissioners' minutes as presented

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The Board of Commissioners' Minutes from the special September 15, 2022 meeting were presented There being no revisions, it was motioned by Raymond seconded by Vial to approve the special September 15, 2022 Board of Commissioners' minutes as presented

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

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For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The next item of new business was discussion by Mr Keith Dacus to move forward with the publication of the public notice and bid process for the hospital's official journal It was motioned by Sirmon seconded by Raymond to approve the publication of the public notice and bid process for the hospital's official journal

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The Board of Commissioners' Minutes from the August 31, 2022 meeting were presented There being no revisions, it was motioned by Sirmon seconded by Raymond to approve the August 31, 2022 Board of Commissioners' minutes as presented

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

The Board of Commissioners' Minutes from the special September 15, 2022 meeting were presented There being no revisions, it was motioned by Raymond seconded by Vial to approve the special September 15, 2022 Board of Commissioners' minutes as presented

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

Dr Danielle Levy, Chief of Staff, presented the Medical Staff Report from the September 20, 2022 Meeting It was motioned by Raymond seconded by Vial to approve the Medical Staff Executive Committee Report from the September 20, 2022 Meeting as presented

For Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against None

Dr Levy reported that all credential files were thoroughly reviewed by the appropriate physician members prior to the meeting Files were reviewed for licensure, challenges or relinquishments to licensure, training, education, current competence, proof of professional malpractice insurance, and claims history It was motioned by Vial seconded by Sirmon to approve the following credentials as presented There were seven new physicians Leonard C Alsfield, MD – Hematology/Oncology, Kody Bliss, MD – Emergency Medicine, Elizabeth G de Laureau, MD, Otolaryngology, Laura Edwards, MD – Anesthesiology, Tiffany Ortero, MD – Anesthesiology, Matthew Palasek, MD – Anesthesiology, Caitlin Taylor, MD – Hematology/Oncology, one tele-medicine physicians Marika Antimisians, MD – Neurology, seven resignations Jonah Borskey – CRNA, Chastity Boudreaux, NP – Hospital Medicine, John Dolese, Orthopedic Tech, Guido Santacana Lafitte, MD – TeleRadiology, Srikanth Tanima, MD – Hematology/Oncology, Lisa Tran-Laurent, NP – Hospital Medicine, Wilham Wong, MD – TeleRadiology, one provisional reviews James McNary, Jr, MD – Palliative Medicine, and twenty-five reappointments: Shameem Akhtar, MD – Hospital Medicine, Ambuga Badari, MD – Hematology/Oncology, Kim Bland, MD – Anesthesiology, Bradley Blasiar, MD – Emergency Medicine, Whitney Braddy, MD – Pain Management, Charles Haddad, MD – Orthopedic Surgery, Karl Haydel, MD – Pain Management, Ijeoma Innocent-Ituah, MD – Hospital Medicine, Alisha

Lacour, MD – Hospital Medicine, Matthew LaFleur, MD – Radiology, Bronwyn Leblanc, MD – Nephrology, Nkeiruka Onyenekwu, MD – Emergency Medicine, Rebecca Phillips, MD – Pathology, Sidharth Puri, MD – Ophthalmology, Hrishikesh Samant, MD – Gastroenterology, Ronda Sanders, MD – Pathology, Leslie Thomas, MD – Anesthesiology, Jenny Feng, MD – Neurology, Adam Hecht, MD – Radiology, Shahid Husain, MD – e-ICU, Guillermo Jimenez, MD – Radiology, Alexis Black, NP – Cardiology, Joy Chairs, NP – Hospital Medicine, Verne Champagne, NP – Emergency Medicine, Mandy Middlebrook-Lovett, PA – Emergency Medicine.

For: Smith, Raymond, Vial, and Sirmon

Against: None

The Quality and Patient Experience Report was provided by Mr. Jarrett Fuselier and Mrs. Lindsay Licata. Mr. Fuselier presented Prove Our Value: Quality, HCAHPS, EDCAHPS, Ambulatory and Outpatient Diagnostics. Mrs. Licata presented Prove Our Value: Medical Practice, Serve More Patients data and the Primary Care Goals/Metrics, Physician Updates and St. Charles Clinic Unique Patients by Care Type.

Ms. Tara Alleman presented the Finance Report. YTD and MTD Statistical Graph, YTD and MTD Financial Graphs, Financial Summary Statistical Report, Surgery Report, Cash Receipts Report and Infusion Update for the month of August were presented.

The Chief Executive Officer's Report followed. Mr. Jarrett Fuselier gave the Moment of Quality stating that a patient in ICU was experiencing chest pain and the staff quickly assessed that the patient was having a cardiac event. The patient was taken and treated in the Cath Lab within an hour and a half. Mr. Fuselier stated that patient is doing well, and this is an example of the great care we render.

Mr. Keith Dacus gave updates on the hospital and clinics. Mr. Dacus also presented the Community Outreach topic, including the Volunteer Services/Auxiliary/Community Outreach/Synergy Important Dates.

Mrs. Pamela Smith stated being no announcements, the next scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting is October 26, 2022 at 2:00 PM.

There being no further business, it was motioned by Raymond seconded by Vial to adjourn. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 2:49 PM.

ATTEST



Chairman or Acting Chairman



Secretary

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OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER

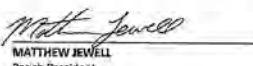
DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Charles is in imminent danger due to: **SEVERE WEATHER** in association with **HEAVY RAINS, HIGH WINDS, AND POTENTIAL FLOODING;** and

WHEREAS, in order to prepare for the prompt and efficient rescue, care, and treatment of citizens victimized or threatened by disaster, it is necessary to declare a "State of Emergency" within St. Charles Parish.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, MATTHEW JEWELL, Parish President of St. Charles Parish, in accordance with the Louisiana Homeland Security Emergency and Assistance and Disaster Act, Section 727, and the powers invested in me through the St. Charles Home Rule Charter, do hereby Declare a "State of Emergency" within the Parish of St. Charles.

Be it further resolved that all provisions of the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act are hereby invoked, effective immediately.



MATTHEW JEWELL
Parish President

14:55

(TIME)

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Qualifications must be submitted to St. Charles Parish School Board (SCPSB) electronically via the Central Auction House website located at the "Online Bids & RFPs" link under the Resources tab on the SCPSB website <https://www.stcharles.k12.la.us/>. Firms are responsible for checking the website above periodically for any updates or revisions to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ).

Group Life Insurance Broker

Submission dates: December 12, 2022 – January 17, 2023

Advertising dates in the St. Charles Herald-Guide, official journal of St. Charles Parish Public Schools, shall be:

Thursday, December 22, 2022
Thursday, December 29, 2022

The St. Charles Parish Public School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
Alex "Al" Suffrin, Board President
Dr. Ken Certling, Superintendent
13855 River Road
Luling, LA 70070

Public Notice

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION WILL MEET ON JANUARY 5, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE PARISH COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 15045 RIVER ROAD, HAHNVILLE TO HEAR:
2022-21-HQP requested by **Thomas Parsons** for a home occupation – "Latitude Dronez, LLC" — at **311 Beaupre Drive, Luling**, Council District 2.
2022-21-R requested by **International-Matex Tank Terminals, LLC** for a change of zoning from M-1 to M-2 on approximately 300 acres north of their facility located at **11842 River Road, St. Rose**, between the CN Railroad and Airline Drive. Council Districts 3 & 5.
ALTERNATE DATE: 1/12 PUBLISH: 12/22, 12/29, 1/5

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

On Wednesday, December 14, 2022, a public hearing was held in the Office of the District Attorney of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District in Hahnville, Louisiana at 9:30 A.M.

After the public hearing, the 2022 budget was adopted as amended and the 2023 budget was adopted.

Present: Joel T. Chaisson, II
Regina Cyrus
Cynthia Aucoin

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2023 MEETING SCHEDULE

ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL

6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COURTHOUSE, HAHNVILLE

JANUARY 9 JULY 10

JANUARY 23 JULY 31

FEBRUARY 6 AUGUST 14

FEBRUARY 27 AUGUST 28

MARCH 13 SEPTEMBER 11

MARCH 27 SEPTEMBER 25

APRIL 10 OCTOBER 9

APRIL 24 OCTOBER 23

MAY 8 NOVEMBER 6

MAY 22 NOVEMBER 20

JUNE 5 DECEMBER 4

JUNE 19 DECEMBER 18

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the availability of federal funds through the Office for Victims of Crime housed in the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP). This funding is to support the provision of direct services to victims of crime at no cost to the victims. Programs must be operated by a public agency, a nonprofit organization or a combination of such agencies. Priority shall be given to victims of sexual assault, spousal abuse, child abuse, and underserved populations. The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) administers and allocates these funds through the Jefferson Parish Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) & Metropolitan District Law Enforcement Planning and Action Commission (METLEC).

The total amount available to the CJCC & METLEC in FY2022 Victims of Crime Act Program (VOCA) funds is \$2,341,123. All applicants are required to provide a 20% cash or in-kind match with the following exception: a 5% cash or in-kind match for Native American tribes/organizations on reservations. Projects will be funded on a 9-month basis.

The complete Notice of Funding Opportunity, application materials and instructions for submitting proposals may be obtained from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) website <http://www.lcle.la.gov/programs/funding.asp>. Complete guidelines & instructions for applying may be obtained from the Jefferson Parish Community Justice Agency: Ronald E. Lampard, Director, District 7 – Jefferson CJCC / Metropolitan District, 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Suite 607, Jefferson, LA 70123-2337, (504) 736-6844.

The deadline for submitting is: **February 6, 2023**, no later than 4:00 p.m. Proposals will be considered for approval at the CJCC & METLEC Board meetings (date and time to be determined) that will be held at the Joseph S. Yenni Bldg., 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Jefferson, LA 70123. Representatives of agencies under consideration will be required to attend these meetings in order to receive funding.

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