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Celebrating **10 YEARS** of Service



A Message FROM THE **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Ilene Harper, PhD, Executive Director, Family Life and Community Resource Center

Celebrating 10 years of Service! We are SUPER excited about 2022 and our move to the new location. With the help and support of dedicated donors, volunteers, students, parents, staff and the community, our dream of moving to a larger facility is now a reality. FLCRC anticipate the Grand Reopening to be Summer 2022.

We remain committed to providing creative and innovative programs in the community and our new location will provide even more opportunities for engagement. In January, FLCRC welcomed Y.A.L.E. leaders to the sixth year of this amazing youth program committed

to "Leading the Way through Service Learning." Y.A.L.E. leaders were eager to volunteer in the brisk winter temperature at the MLK Day of Service Food Distribution drive.

On February 19th, FLCRC staff members and student leaders participated with *A Day of Remembrance for the Sugar Land 95*. Y.A.L.E. leaders made posters to commemorate this important time in history. The event was educational, powerful, and motivational. We left with a lasting impact to do more now.

In March, several Y.A.L.E. students posted Spring Break Challenge photos of leadership

in preparation for the upcoming summer events. On March 26th, Y.A.L.E. leaders had an in-person site visit to FLCRC's new location and shared their ideas about how the facility should be utilized to serve our community.

FLCRC is celebrating a milestone year and we invite you to join us for the Grand Reopening, Summer Camp 2022, the Back-2-School Parent Chat and much more! Please stay connected with us by downloading the FLCRC App, liking us on Facebook and following us on Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.

Top: Y.A.L.E. student leaders displayed their posters at A Day of Remembrance for the Sugar Land 95 on February 19th, alongside event host and KPRC-TV newsman Khambrel Marshall. **Bottom left:** Y.A.L.E. leaders enjoyed ice cream together on March 26th during their first in-person meeting this year. **Bottom right:** Dr. Harper, Pre-Y.A.L.E. student leader Jahanna and FLCRC 2021 Volunteer of the Year Jackie Thomas served at a Catholic Charities Food Distribution drive on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



OUR Y.A.L.E. LEADERS ARE *Shining* IN 2022!

Our Youth Ambassadors have been busy stepping up and making a difference in Fort Bend County this year! On **Saturday, March 26th**, for their first in-person meeting this year, the students (*pictured above*) visited the site of our new location currently under construction.

STUDENTS TAKE ON THE **MARCH MADNESS CHALLENGE**

During their Spring Break, Y.A.L.E. members participated in a "March Madness" challenge to post about their leadership activities in the FLCRC app. Thank you to our students for staying active and motivated during your break!



"Northwest College (HCC) has multiple education facilities and seven state-recognized Career and Technology programs. Another interesting fact is that they have Fine Arts and Fashion Design programs that are award-winning!"

— Aiesha

"During spring break I donated my change to the March of Dimes fundraiser. I also completed yard services for my Mom. I picked up chairs at my school and wiped down tables. I also cooked for my family."

— Kendon



Terri visiting the Texas African American History Memorial in Austin.



"Selling for that trip!"

— Trinity (fundraising for the upcoming Y.A.L.E. trip to the Dominican Republic)

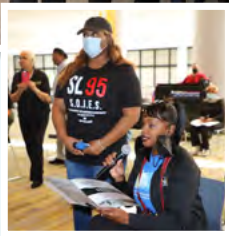
FLCRC JOINS CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOR **MLK DAY OF SERVICE**

On **Monday, January 17th**—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—FLCRC volunteers and Y.A.L.E. student leaders assisted Catholic Charities of Richmond with the food distribution to families in need. Special thanks to Fort Bend County Judge KP George for encouraging and supporting community volunteerism on this very important day!



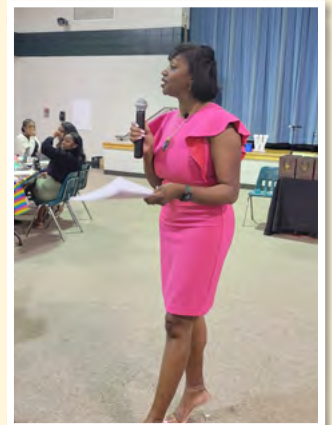
FLCRC HELPS HONOR THE **SUGAR LAND 95**

On **Saturday, February 19th**, FLCRC staff members and student leaders participated in *A Day of Remembrance: A Black History Month Tribute to the Sugar Land 95*. This event, held by the Society of Justice & Equality for the People of Sugar Land (S.O.J.E.S.), honored the 95 victims of convict leasing whose remains were discovered at a FBISD high school construction site on February 19, 2018. Our Youth Ambassadors created posters which were displayed at the event, and Dr. Harper had the opportunity to share her perspective on social justice during a Q&A discussion time.



DR. HARPER SPEAKS AT **G.L.O.W. CONFERENCE**

On **Saturday, April 2nd**, Dr. Harper traveled to her hometown of Mansfield, LA to speak about leadership at the G.L.O.W. (Girls Leading, Optimizing and Winning) Conference.



Building the Future OF FLCRC

CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY AT OUR NEW LOCATION!

We are excited to share this sneak peek at the construction that is well underway at 821 Hwy 90 A East! This new facility will increase our capacity to offer various services and enable us to host large events. Your donation to the *Family First: New Triumphs* Capital Campaign will help us complete this beautiful new location. Donate today at FamilyLifeCRC.org/donate. To see conceptual renderings of the space, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/campaign.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



"Bounce with Y.A.L.E." Summer Camp

June 20-24, 2022

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

To register, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/camp



CSSJ Richmond Healing Vigil

April 30, 2022 | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | 821 E HWY 90A, Richmond, TX

In observance of National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW), join the Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice Richmond Chapter as they create a safe space to share stories, honor themselves and loved ones, and those impacted by violence. For more information, contact Dr. Ilene Harper at iharper@familylifecrc.org.



18th Annual Back-2-School Parent Chat

Virtual Sessions: August 1-4, 2022

In-Person Event: August 6, 2022

To learn more and register, visit FamilyLifeCRC.org/chat



Download the FLCRC App!

Stay connected with FLCRC in 2022! Download the app today to receive reminders about upcoming events and more—and don't forget to tell your family and friends!



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