Five Year Assessment of Challenges, Opportunities & Progress
Rebuilding New Orleans
CDC Mission

- Develop social and economic opportunities in the community.
- Enhance personal and community quality of life.
- Provide valuable resources and support networks to identify and resolve the community needs.
- Expand corporate partnerships for economic development growth.
- Retain and re-populate the Gentilly community through residential and commercial revitalization.
Dillard CDC recognizes that the future health and vitality of Dillard is dependent on the viability and physical improvement of its Gentilly Neighborhood; therefore Dillard CDC seeks to provide leadership in the revitalization of Gentilly and New Orleans by using the University’s economic, intellectual, social and cultural capital in partnership with other community stakeholders.
Feasibility Study
Socio-demographic Characteristics by Dillard University Area Zip Code 2000

70124  
2000 Population: 22,951  
Median Income: $51,684  
Median Price of House: $185,600

70126  
2000 Population: 40,677  
Median Income: $30,627  
Median Price of House: $62,700

70122  
2000 Population: 46,533  
Median Income: $31,014  
Median Price of House: $75,400

70119  
2000 Population: 50,175  
Median Income: $21,297  
Median Price of House: $71,300

Based on 2008 ESRI data. ESRI: Environmental Systems Research Institute
Socio-demographic Characteristics by Dillard University Area Zip Code 2008

70124
- 2008 Population: 11,210
- Median Income: $56,667
- Median Price of House: $243,543

70122
- 2008 Population: 23,878
- Median Income: $38,235
- Median Price of House: $113,803

70119
- 2008 Population: 34,118
- Median Income: $26,750
- Median Price of House: $101,690

70126
- 2008 Population: 16,548
- Median Income: $30,627
- Median Price of House: $91,306

Based on 2008 ESRI data. ESRI: Environmental Systems Research Institute
The Gentilly area consists of 22 neighborhood groups. The CDC is targeting Blocks B, C, E, F, G, H, I, J, M, O, P, and R.
GENTILLY COMMUNITY NEIGHBORHOODS
1. OAK PARK
2. PARIS OAKS/BAYOU VISTA
3. VIRGIL PARK
4. FILMORE GARDENS
5. GENTILLY HEIGHTS/VASCOVILLE
6. GENTILLY HEIGHTS EAST
7. SUGAR HILL
8. LOWER GENTILLY
9. INDIAN VILLAGE
10. DILLARD UNIVERSITY
11. PILOTLAND

THE GENTILLY COMMUNITY
NEIGHBORHOOD BOUNDARIES
The CDC works together with a growing number of revitalized Gentilly neighborhood associations/advisory team:

- Sugar Hill
- Gentilly Heights – East
- Lower Gentilly
- Virgil Park
- Filmore Gardens
- Indian Village
- Oak Park
- Paris Oaks
- Pilotland
The team has been involved in a series of Community Leadership Trainings, sponsored by NeighborWorks America. The trainings include:

- Strengthen leadership skills
- Capacity building
- Improving neighborhoods
- Formulating action plans
- Building and organizing partners
The CDC has established partnerships for support in the Gentilly Community with public, non-profits and private sector companies, generating grant funds through foundations, federal, state and private entities. Reaching out to organizations for resources inkind, and manpower.
Partners

- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- US Army Corps of Engineers
- Regions Bank
- Volunteers of America
- EXCELth, Inc
- New Orleans Redevelopment Authority
- Iberia Bank
- Whitney Bank
- Capital One Bank
- Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater New Orleans
- Federal Deposit Insurance Company (FDIC)
- Regions Bank
- Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO)
- Chase Bank
- Beacon of Hope Resource Center
- Hilton New Orleans Riverside
- Enterprise Community Partners, Inc
- Entergy New Orleans
- Louisiana Housing Finance Authority
- New Orleans Neighborhood Development Foundation (NDF)
- LSU AgCenter
**Neighborhood Wish list**

- **Lower Gentilly**
  - Return of the Crepe Myrtles
  - Signage for Neighborhood
  - Walking Path around Bradley Park
- **Oak Park**
  - Street repair
  - Signage
  - Blighted home financing
- **Indian Village**
  - Park restoration
  - Drainage
  - Neighborhood Clean up
- **Gentilly Heights East**
  - Underground Power lines
  - Community/Information Center
- **Filmore Gardens**
  - Drainage Improvement
  - Playground Improvement/Restructure
  - Bike Lane/Bike Path
  - Library
  - Health Clinic
- **Paris Oaks/Bayou Vista Neighborhood Association**
  - Neighborhood Signs
  - Safe area for kids to play
  - Community Center
The CDC’s leadership role in assisting the community takes the form of providing a Gentilly Resource Center (GRC) which is a centralized information and services center.
The Gentilly Resource Center is a partnership with Dillard University School of Business that will offer a number of services on an ongoing basis for community residents when it opens in 2011.

- Tax Preparation
- Quick Books Training
- Basic Computer Skills Training
- Meeting space for community organizations
- Accounting Procedures Training
- Health Fairs
- Youth Entrepreneurship Program
- Homeownership and Rebuilding Expos
- Small Business Incubator Program
- Job Training Center
- Workshops and Seminars

Small Business Incubator Business Opportunities

The Small Business Incubator Program offers adaptable space and support services at a discounted rate to community residents. Incubator support services include office space, financial assistance and management training.

For information about including your business in the Small Business Incubator Program, please call Nick Harris at 504/816-4205 or email nharris@dillard.edu. You may also email Kimic Clay at kclay@dillard.edu.

LDRF Neighbored Partnership

The Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation (LDRF) Neighborhood has partnered with the Dillard CDC to create the Organizing and Planning Fund which organizes community meetings for residents and urban planners to design the city’s new Master Plan. Through a grant from LDRF, the CDC was able to provide 10 signs for Gentilly neighborhoods.

Pictured here are Marc Boucree of Capital One; Nick Harris, Dillard CDC; Tensoul Jones and Christie Wallace Slater, LDRF; and Fred Tombar, Senior Advisor to U.S. Secretary of HUD, who all worked together in this community outreach initiative.
Leveraging our Funding

• NeighborWorks America

• U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

• Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation

• Fannie Mae Foundation

• Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana

• Capital One Bank

• Entergy New Orleans

• Enterprise Community Partners
Health & Wellness Center

The Student Union Recreation, Health and Wellness Center will offer much needed health care service for Gentilly residents, as well as Dillard students, faculty and staff.
2011 FAMILY HEALTH & SPORTS FESTIVAL
Daughters of Charity, Tulane Medical Center, Tulane School of Medicine, EXCE1th Inc., and LSU School of Dentistry
Saturday, March 26, 2011
10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Dillard University Campus
2601 Gentilly Blvd.
New Orleans, LA

- Blood Pressure Screenings
- Diabetes Testing
- Eye Exams
- Rapid HIV Screening
- Heart Disease
- Stroke Prevention
- Glucose & Cholesterol Screenings
- Dental Screenings
- Enjoy Seminars on: Mental Health, Conflict Resolution, Stress Reduction, & Youth Obesity
- Enjoy giveaways! Exhibitors! Entertainment! Food, and much much more!!!!

AARP Walk for Fitness!
AARP Soul Steppers Walking Clinic and Community Walk will meet at the walking trail located on Dillard’s campus beginning at 10:00a.m. on Kabacoff Plaza. The Walking Clinic will be divided into three levels: beginner, intermediate and advanced making it helpful for all walkers. Each participant will receive an AARP pedometer and a water bottle.

Bicycle Ride!
KidsWalk Coalition and Metro Bicycle Coalition will conduct a bicycle safety clinic and lead a bike ride through the Gentilly neighborhood. The ride will start at Dillard head east to Franklin Ave and back to Dillard.

This is a Free Citywide Community Event!
Contact Dillard University Community Development Corporation
504-816-4205
Dillard’s Community Safety Program is an educational program to provide a means to maintain a safe environment for residents, that will contribute to the substantial reinvestment in both commercial and housing.

Seminars / training sessions are conducted monthly for community residents. These trainings include:

- Stress Reduction / Conflict Resolution
- Effective Neighborhood Watch
- Fire Prevention and Safety
- Modern Crimes and Issues / Identity Theft
- Reporting Crimes and Suspicious Activity / Calling 911
- First Aid
- Self Defense / Personal Safety Management
- Door and Lock Safety

Seminars provided through a grant sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
Patrol Area
GENTILLY NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

“Reaching Out To Our Youth”
(Through Education and Mentoring)

Tuesday, August 5, 2008
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Dillard University Community
Development Corporation (CDC)

will host the Gentilly Night Out Against Crime
on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 beginning at 5 p.m.
to 8 p.m. The event will be held on Dillard’s
campus. Virgil Park, Oak Park, Lower Gentilly,
Sugar Hill, Gentilly Heights East, Filmore
Gardens, Indian Village, and Paris Oaks
neighborhood associations will participate in
this joint community outreach event.
Food and entertainment.

COME OUT AND RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM

Big Brothers/Big Sisters
New Orleans Sheriff’s Office
Boy Scouts of America
Crimestoppers
Bethany United Methodist Church
Cops for Kids
Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
Dillard University Office of Enrollment Management

in participation with

United Way
Youth Summit 2008 & 2009

Physical Fitness & Health Festival
To empower youth to increase awareness of Physical Fitness & Health, with special emphasis on combating childhood obesity.

Saturday, April 26, 2008
10:00am – 2:00pm

Dillard University’s Campus - Dent Hall Gymnasium / Kabascott Plaza
Brown Bag Lunch Provided

Please dress appropriately for athletic activities. (Tennis shoes and loose clothing)

AGENDA

10:00 - 10:30 am
Arrival and Registration - Kabascott Plaza
Health Screening - 100 Black Men, New Orleans Chapter

10:30 - 12:30 pm

OLIMG AS 6-12

Hip Hop Dance - Dillard University Student/Staff
Basketball Clinic - Dillard University Student/Staff
Track - Courtney Hawkins - Track & Field World Class Hurdler
Football Clinic - NFL Athletes
Mental Health Seminar - Dr. Luna Chambers - Dillard University Nutrition Seminar

OLIMG AS 13-18

Hip Hop Dance - Dillard University Student/Staff
Football Clinic - NFL Athletes
Track - Courtney Hawkins - Track & Field World Class Hurdler
Weightlifting Clinic - Elijah Hosley - Dillard University
Volleyball Clinic - Dillard University Student
Basketball Clinic - Dillard University Student
Mental Health - Dr. Luna Chambers - Dillard University
Tennis Clinic
Golf Clinic
Nutrition Seminar

12:30 - 2:00 pm

Lunch & Entertainment
Shack Brown & The Team
Dillard "O" Diamonds
Dillard University Greek Organizations
Amie Rockwell - Ages 11 and up
DI Junior Productions
Jonathan Amadi - Retired NBA player for the Indiana Pacers

For more information contact 504-816-4205

Dillard University Community Development Corporation (CDC)

will host a Youth Summit on Saturday, February 23, 2008 from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
The event will be held in Dent Hall and Kabascott Plaza on Dillard’s campus.
Gentilly Heights/Vasconville, Virgil Park, Oak Park, Lower Gentilly, Sugar Hill, Gentilly Heights East, Indian Village, and Filmore Gardens neighborhood associations will participate in this joint community outreach event. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

For more information call 504-816-4205
Youth Physical Fitness and Health Festival

CELEBRITY SPORTS HEALTH FESTIVAL 2011

Saturday, March 26
10:00am - 2:00pm

Paul "Mashara" Johnson

Wild Wayne
Q93 Radio

Fair Play

EDDIE DAVIS
1993 Dodger 23rd Draft Pick.
Played at Long Beach State on the 1993 College World Series Baseball Team.

BLACK HAMMON
NFL New England Patriots
Super Bowl Champion

EDWIN STELLE
GIVING Back To The Hood

DWAYNE BENDER
Fair Play

ROLLIN JENKINS
WILDLIFE/OUTDOOR

JOHN BENDER
NBA Player

DATE BROCK

HEALTH AND SPORTS FESTIVAL 2011

Saturday, March 26
10:00am - 2:00pm

"Promoting Physical Activity for Everyone"

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

- Golf Clinic - FairPlay Golf Foundation
- Volleyball - Mardi Gras Volleyball Group
- AAU Basketball - Jonathan Bender Foundation
- Baseball Clinic - Dwayne Stelly and Dale Brock
- Football Clinic - Bobby Hamilton, NFL-New England Patriots
- Super Bowl Champion
- Bicycle Ride - Kid Walk Coalition and New Orleans Bicycle Coalition
- Walking for Fitness - AARP
- Physical Fitness - U.S. Coast Guard, Marines, Army, Navy
- Air Force (Lt. Rodrick Walker Coordinator)

FITNESS SEMINARS

- Combating Youth Obesity - Bobby Hamilton, Jonathan Bender, and Kito Matthews
- Rollin Wheelchair Hornets
- Julius Lee

SPECIAL THANKS

Thank you New Orleans Recreation Department for providing sports equipment for the day.

New Orleans Recreation Department
The youth financial literacy training focuses on educating youth about financial responsibility. Areas important to youth financial literacy include general knowledge of how the banking system, credit and debit cards, investments basics, the mental game of money and related aspects personal money management. Training provided through a grant sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Additional partners include Regions Bank, Capital One Bank and FDIC.
Dillard University
Community Development Corporation

GRANT WRITING
& APPLYING FOR 501 (C) 3

Grant Writing and Applying for 501(c)3 Workshop
Saturday, October 30, 2010,

TOPICS/HAND-OUTS
- Completing a grant application
- Where to find grant funding
- Steps in applying for 501(c)3
- Obtaining Tax ID#, Tax exempt status and Filing annual reports.

RSVP: Pre-register by sending an email with contact information to
nharris@dillard.edu, or kclay@dillard.edu, or by calling 504-816-4205.

Make check payable to Dillard University - Payment due Saturday October 30, 2010

Your Partner for Success

Workshops provided through a grant sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOPS
Free Workshop for Community Organizations

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:
- Overview of the Non-Profit sector in New Orleans
- Partnerships: HBCUs and Non-Profit Sector
- Neighborhood Associations and Faith-Based Organizations
- Jobs created by the non-profit sector (national/local)
- President Obama’s stimulus program & the non-profit sector
- Organizational needs/survey
- The Next Step

Workshop facilitator Ivory L. Williams has more than 25 years experience in the public and non-profit sectors. Williams currently serves as the director of urban development in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and has held similar positions with Southern University of New Orleans and Dillard University.

TOPICS/HAND-OUTS
- 501(C)3 Status
- Indirect costs/overhead
- How to write a successful grant
- Grant Funds
Computer Literacy

Dillard University Community Development Corporation,
Dillard University Department of Public Safety
and Dillard University Division of Business

Free Computer Literacy Course
Beginning Saturday February 20, 2010
Dillard University Campus – Dent Hall Room 170

This course offers an introduction to the basic terminology and functions of the computer.

Hands-on instruction will cover:
- Typing in Microsoft Word
- Email creation
- Browsing the internet
- Computer operations (normal)

Session 1 - Saturday, February 20 and Saturday, February 27 –
10:00am to 12:00pm or 1:00pm-3:00pm.
Session 2 - Saturday, March 6 and Saturday, March 13 –
10:00am to 12:00pm or 1:00pm-3:00pm.
Session 3 - Saturday, March 20 and Saturday, March 27 –
10:00am to 12:00pm or 1:00pm-3:00pm

Space is limited!
To register please call 504-816-4346.

Classes provided through a grant sponsored by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
Hola Nola Spanish Classes

CDC Receives Grant from LDRF
$25,000 for Neighborhood Organizing & Planning

Dillard University’s Community Development Corporation has received a $25,000 grant from the Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation. The funds will be utilized by the CDC and the Gentilly Civic Improvement Association to conduct a leadership retreat for neighborhood representatives and to hold a reception for the Gentilly community. Additionally, colorful banners will be placed on the light poles along Gentilly Boulevard highlighting the nine Gentilly neighborhood associations.

“We have all learned the importance of leadership in the community. This grant from LDRF aids Gentilly in its ongoing renewal,” commented Nick Harris.

The retreat will be conducted for the purposes of training current neighborhood association leaders in the proper decorum for holding a meeting, voting methods, and creating awareness for issues and topics that members want to address. The retreat will be followed with a reception for Gentilly residents. Look for banners along Gentilly this fall.

As part of its continuing community outreach, the Community Development Corporation offered Spanish language classes to the community in July. The first session attracted more than 50 participants eager to learn. The course included basic, conversational Spanish skills such as greetings, numbers, colors, time, giving directions, and learning a large number of vocabulary words that can be helpful in homebuilding and renovation projects.

The CDC hopes to offer additional level one Hola Nola sessions as well as a level two course for those who have mastered the basics.

Hola Nola is a conversational Spanish language class offered by Dillard University Community Development Corporation for residents of Greater New Orleans. Classes are open to anyone at least 18 years of age.

Register by calling 504/816-4205 or by sending an email to dillardcdc@dillard.edu.

Space is limited — be sure to register in advance!

Hola Nola
$65 for the six class session
June 30, July 1, 2, 7, 8, 9
6:00-8:00 PM each day

Students will learn basic, conversational Spanish. Course will focus on practical situations such as:

- Simple business transactions
- Dealing with Hispanic contractors
- Getting to know your Hispanic neighbors
- Making telephone calls
- Talking about money
Renters and Home Owner Counseling

Credit Consciousness: Repair Your Credit and Buy A Home!

WHEN:
June 13 and 20 and July 11, 11:00am - 1:00pm each day

WHERE:
Dillard University, Kearny Hall

WHAT:
Credit Consciousness: Repair Your Credit and Buy A Home!

WHY:
Understanding credit scores and prequalification procedures puts you on the pathway to homeownership.

RSVP:
Preregister by sending an email with contact information to dillardcdc@dillard.edu or by calling 504-816-4205.

PATH TO HOME OWNERSHIP

1. Initial Home Buying Consultation
2. Home Ownership Training
3. Finding a Lender & Prequalifying
4. The Purchase Process
5. Home Ownership

FREE
Feria de Vivienda

Patrocinado por la Corporación de Desarrollo Comunitario (CDC) de Dillard University

Sábado, Junio 28, 2008
De 10am hasta 3pm
En el campus de Dillard University
2601 Gentilly Blvd
New Orleans, LA

¡Más de 50 expositores!

No importa si tiene interés en reconstruir su vivienda existente o en comprar su primera vivienda, hay información para todos.

El CDC de Dillard University presentará expositos y seminarios de: como obtener un préstamo de construcción, como seleccionar su contratista de construcción, como proteger su vivienda contra el clima, seguro de vivienda, financiamiento para vivienda a precio razonable y muchos más temas. Adicionalmente se va a enseñar como obtener, leer y entender su reporte de crédito.

Entrada gratis

Comida

Premios

Si desea ser un copatrocinador o un expositor, favor de ponerse en contacto con el CDC de Dillard University al siguiente número: 504.816.4205.
The CDC has partnered with several volunteer groups to assist in the revitalization of the Gentilly community.
Neighborhood Signage
Gentilly Clarion

The Dillard University Community Development Corporation Newsletter

Dillard University presents the CDC

Serving Gentilly Heights East, Lower Gentilly, Oak Park, Sugar Hill, Virgil Park, Indian Village, Filmore Gardens and Gentilly Heights/Vesuvius
The CDC conduct needs assessments as a process for determining and addressing "gaps" between current conditions and desired conditions.
Developing Collaborations

- Recovery School District/Gregory Middle
- Langston Hughes Academy
- Federal Deposit Insurance Company
- Housing Authority of New Orleans
- Fidelity Bank
- Capital One Bank
- Regions Bank
- Whitney Bank
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