



## Jamisons' Center of Kindness, Incorporated

"ONE DROP OF KINDNESS IN A LIFE HAS A RIPPLE EFFECT"

# THE RIPPLE EFFECT

JCOK'S QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

### Message from the founder

Greetings to our friends and partners of Jamisons' Center of Kindness, Incorporated,

This is our first quarterly newsletter and I want to thank you for reading it. In this first edition of our newsletter, I will share some highlights of our ministry in Texarkana, Arkansas/Texas and its surrounding areas.

Our vision is "restoring lives and equipping individuals to fulfill their purpose and destiny in this present day that will impact future generations."

Our mission is "to become the most sought after remedial center for children and counseling center for men, women, children, and senior citizens in Texarkana, Arkansas - Texas and surrounding areas with an International affiliation."

Since 2011, we have managed a very successful tutoring and feeding program for our children and the community with year-round programs.

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**11,000  
MEALS  
TOTAL** E.N.R.I.C.H.  
2016-2017  
after-school  
program

**4,000  
MEALS  
TOTAL** E.N.R.I.C.H. 2017  
summer program  
40 children served  
each day  
2 meals served each  
day

We have the E.N.R.I.C.H. (Educate-Nurture-Reach-Instruct-Coach-Help) summer program, E.N.R.I.C.H. after-school tutorial program, and the Summer Food Service Program. Our future programs include: a community garden; counseling center for senior citizens, men, women, and children at the historic home on Pinehurst; mentoring program for children; and the Fresh Start program for ex-convicts.

You may support our programs and the community through a financial contribution (no donation is counted as small). You may mail your donation to 1101 Couch St., Texarkana, AR 71854. For more information visit our website [www.jcok.org](http://www.jcok.org) or email us at [info@jcok.org](mailto:info@jcok.org).

In April's newsletter you will learn how to become a financial partner with us.

Blessings,

Jeraldine J. Sanders, Executive Director

## Summertime Fun

### E.N.R.I.C.H. SUMMER EXPANDS CHILDREN'S MINDS

Lashundra Bradley started the program as director and did a phenomenal job with the children. This year's E.N.R.I.C.H. Summer Program class had children ages 5 to 12. Activities included Zumba, basketball, and praise dancing. Ms. Bradley is paraprofessional for special needs children in Texarkana Arkansas School District.

Charlotte Miller took over the directorship midway through the program. Ms. Miller is a second year K through 4th grade special education teacher at Union Elementary.

The children cooled off from the summer heat at the Splash Pad at Spring Lake Park, toured the Regional Arts Center, Perot Theater, Discovery Place, and engaged in science projects.



**Thank you to the volunteers who worked with the children this summer. We could not have done this without you.**

E.N.R.I.C.H.  
SPOTLIGHT  
Hedaya Frink

Hedaya asked her mom if she could go to daycare this summer, but her mom suggested the summer program. Hedaya "loves to come [to JCOK] a lot" and she liked doing the art projects.

Pictured: E.N.R.I.C.H. kids with Charlotte Miller. Hedaya Frink is on the front row in the center.



**2017 Recap**

On April 28, the Texarkana Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony for JCOK at the Center. The ceremony was attended by the current mayor of Texarkana, Arkansas; the past mayor; city council members; Kevin Hamilton, principal at Fairview Elementary; members of the Chamber; friends of JCOK; and JCOK board members. We were delighted to have Larry Simmons, our board member in Maryland, and his wife join us for this occasion.



On November 9, JCOK received a \$2,000 grant from the Texarkana Area Community Foundation at the Regional Arts Center in Texarkana, Texas.



Pictured from left to right: Jeraldine Sanders; Lisa Sewell, board member & Marketing Director; and Jennifer Lacefield, Secretary & board member.



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*We wish you a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year*

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