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City of Kenner and Chateau Elementary School Partner Up, Proud Recipients of 2013 Safe Routes to School Grant

Kenner, LA - On May 13, 2013 the City of Kenner in partnership with Chateau Elementary School was awarded \$27,000 from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to develop a bicycle and pedestrian safety training program. The Safe Routes to School program was developed to increase safety and encourage more children to bike and walk to school.

The program will help promote bicycle and pedestrian safety awareness while complimenting the Healthy Schools grant Chateau Elementary received in 2012. Activities included within the program will include class tutorial materials for each class grade; a Walking Bus Route for parents and students on a chosen Saturday, and a bicycle safety assembly performed by local bike advocate and non-profit NOLA Bike Easy. Also included within the award is the funding of two traffic officers for the enforcement of traffic violations within the two mile radius of the school during drop off and pick up hours.

The City of Kenner and Chateau Elementary would like to thank the following organizations and elected officials for their support of the 2013 application; Mayor Michael S. Yenni, Councilwoman Maria Defrancesch- District 4, NOLA Bike Easy, the New Orleans Regional Planning Commission, and Chief Caraway of the City of Kenner Police Department.

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