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THIRD GRADERS AT KENNER DISCOVERY SCHOOL TO DONATE TO KENNER FOOD BANK

Kenner, LA. – Kenner Acting Mayor Michael Sigur and Community Development Director Arleeta Terrell will be at the Kenner Discovery Health Sciences Academy on Wednesday to receive a donation for the city's Food Bank from the school's third graders.

The kids raised more than \$1,000 through the Empty Bowl Project. Third graders made their own bowls out of clay, then painted them and sold them earlier this month during the Empty Bowl Night.

The ceremony will be at 1:15 p.m. at the school, 2504 Maine Ave.

“This is a fantastic lesson for the kids – helping others who are less fortunate and being aware that the next meal so many of us take for granted is not guaranteed for many people,” Sigur said.

The idea to teach third graders about the problems of hunger – not only throughout the world but also locally – began in partnership with St. Martin Episcopal School's Idea Lab for Innovation and Design, said Assistant Head of School Sharon Preen.

Third grade teacher Aimee Gilberti said she and other third grade teachers presented lessons about the scope of the hunger issue and asked for a solution to the problem. The result was the Empty Bowl Night, where parents and teachers bid on the bowls made by the kids after hearing speeches about hunger and the importance of helping to keep the Kenner Food Bank stocked.

Kenner Discovery is an open-enrollment public charter school servicing students in Pre-K through 8th grade. This August, Kenner Discovery will welcome its first 9th grade class. For more information about Kenner Discovery, visit, discoveryhsf.org.

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