

SPREAD THE WORD TO END THE WORD



The South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority is extending an invitation to you to be a part of The Art of Respect, a day devoted to celebrating the gifts and friendship of Louisiana citizens who live with intellectual, developmental and /or physical disabilities.

On April 7-10, 2014 *SCLHSA* and multiple agencies around our seven parish catchment area will be hosting The Art of Respect events in Terrebonne, Lafourche, St. Charles, Assumption, and St. Mary from 8:30 – 4:00 pm. We would love for you to join us in supporting this event as we work together to show Louisiana what acceptance, inclusion, friendship, unity and respect look like through art.

Each day during the week individuals will be creating art projects that will help us celebrate “The Art of Respect.” Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on what the words “acceptance”, “inclusion”, “unity”, “friendship”, and “respect” mean to them. Following the event, a local community artist will assess all artwork, select pieces for individual display and use the other artwork to create a large composite piece of art that can travel to our local communities for “Art of Respect” shows and receptions.

In May, 2014, the art created at “The Art of Respect” events will be shared and displayed at an exhibit for our artists and other Louisiana leaders. The art will be on display for all to see reminding us every day of the powerful gifts of friendship and creativity displayed by our artists.

How can I support this event?”

Show your support by ordering and wearing a T-shirt designated for this event. Attached to this flyer is a T-shirt Order Form which shares the logo for the day which states as above to spread the Word to End the Word: Retardation.

If you would like to order a T-shirt to wear at work on April 8, 2014, please fill out the attached form and fax to Marian Palmisano at (985)858-2934 or scan and send to her at marian.palmisano@la.gov. **Your order must be submitted by Monday, March 31, 2014 by COB. You will need to get your payment to her by Monday, March 31, 2014 as well.** You can send your payment by your ESAC representative on Monday, March 31, 2014 as they will be attending a meeting at the *SCLHSA* Administrative Office.

For question regarding the order and the event, contact Debbie Triggs at (985) 857-3748.