

## **Southeast Region HHI Activity Report- May 2012**

**Arkansas-** A safety baby shower was held on May 31<sup>st</sup> in collaboration with the THRIVE program in Stuttgart. Tobacco, drugs, alcohol, back to sleep and injury prevention were discussed as well as LHU services.

**Bradley-** On May 10<sup>th</sup> an information booth was set up at Open Horizons to provide blood pressure checks and presented injury prevention in a break out session during the conference.

A presentation was given at the Head Start in Warren on BMI and how healthy eating and exercise affect it. An overview of LHU services was provided as well.

**Chicot-** The Chicot HHI Coalition partnered with New Hope Missionary Baptist Church to host their annual Heart and Stroke Awareness luncheon on May 11<sup>th</sup>. There was free health screenings for all that attended. A DVD entitled "Know Stroke" was played throughout the day.

On May 18<sup>th</sup>, a booth was set up at the annual Crawfish Festival on injury prevention and tobacco prevention and cessation.

**Cleveland-** A progressive Agriculture safety day was held on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Cleveland County fairgrounds. Six safety educational stations were setup with presentations for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students at the Cleveland County School Districts.

Cleveland County HHI celebrated their seven year celebration on May 9<sup>th</sup>. The 2011 accomplishments were reviewed along with policies and procedures, mission and vision statements and the 2012 work plan.

The Cleveland County Health Unit hosted a Safety Baby Shower on May 7<sup>th</sup>. There were 21 attendees. They enjoyed a healthy snack and promotional safety items that was provided by Hometown Health Improvement.

**Desha-** On May 18<sup>th</sup>, a Women's Health fair and lunch was held in Dumas.

**Drew-** A Senior Health Expo was held on May 30<sup>th</sup> in Monticello. Several vendors were present to provide seniors and older adults information on injury prevention, dangers of tobacco, chronic disease and many other topics that affect that population.

**Lincoln-** Injury prevention flyers were provided to individuals that were enrolled in the swimming classes in Star City.

**Phillips-** On May 9<sup>th</sup> at car seat safety check event was held. A total of 36 car seats were checked with 24 given away. Two of those were to a mom expecting twins that would have delivered before the next safety baby shower.

**Prairie-** On May 18<sup>th</sup> an Injury Prevention presentation was given to eight people at the DeValls Bluff Senior Housing Unit.

Injury Prevention education was provided to the Walk Across Arkansas participants at their conclusion walk.

A presentation was given at the Des Arc Nursing and Rehab Center on heart disease and physical activity.

**CHPS/CHNS-** In May Juanita Buckmaster set up “Health Awareness” tables during lunch at Coleman Intermediate in Pine Bluff with dangers of tobacco information.

Three education sessions were held to raise Stroke Awareness in Jefferson County. This was a collaborative effort between Arkansas County Partners in Health and SouthCentral Center on Aging. These sessions were held in White Hall, Redfield, and Pine Bluff.

Trainings were held with Police departments in Jefferson, Grant and Arkansas Counties on Act. 811.

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the Jefferson County Youth Committee hosted their fifth annual Kid’s Workout Day. Several physical activity stations were available to those that participated. Approximately 35 students attended.

Lisa England held a breakfast and learn on May 4<sup>th</sup> at Star City Middle School. This was held for their faculty and staff to provide education on “Trends in Tobacco Products: Targeting Youth”. The same presentation was given at McGehee Middle School and High School. Kimber Knight, Grants Administrator presented Act 811 to those that attended.

**STAR.Health-** On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the first Strut & Stroll event was held in Chicot County. This event was in conjunction with the Birthing Project activities that are currently ongoing in the county.

The Southeast Arkansas Community Foundation, an affiliate office of the Arkansas Community Foundation notified the Chicot County Birthing Project that they have been awarded an \$800 grant for incentives for the moms in the program. The check was awarded during the “Giving Tree Award” ceremony that was held on April 26<sup>th</sup>.