## Grant Highlights Fiscal Year 2011 - 2012



- » Veterans Upward Bound, Ms. Chevonne Neal (TRIO Programs) funding from the U. S. Department of Education for the lack of services, low income and education levels, and other socioeconomic factors indicate that target area veterans need free academic support services in order to successfully pursue a program of postsecondary education. Based upon this need, this project has developed a set of objectives and operational plans that will result in veterans obtaining the skills and motivation necessary when pursuing a program of postsecondary education. Academic and career assessment, academic instruction and tutoring, enrollment and admissions services, and other enrichment activities are provided to veterans at the university's main campus in Hammond and at the satellite campus in Baton Rouge.
- Project Lion Pride, Ms. Cherie Kay Thriffiley (Student Engagement)- funding from Louisiana Highway Safety Commission-Project Lion Pride is a collaborative effort between Southeastern's Police Department, University Counseling Center, Student Government Association, and the Office of Greek Life and Student Organizations. Its mission is to promote alcohol education and to encourage mature management of alcohol, specifically the reduction of impaired driving and underage drinking.
- » A Play Therapy Resource Room and Lending Library for Graduate Counseling Students and School Counselors to Enhance their Learning and Professional Development Experience, Dr. Laura Fazio-Griffith (Department of Counseling & Human Development) funding from the Louisiana Board of Regents. This project expands the resource room/lending library of play therapy materials used by counseling students to enhance learning through classroom experiences and field placement. These materials also are accessed and used in the community by in-service school counselors in parish school systems. The play therapy materials include therapeutic interventions that address such issues as grief, loss, trauma, adjustment and transition to school, behavior in the classroom, natural disasters, fears and bullying.
- Independent Living Project, Ms. Linda Isaac (Department of Counseling & Human Development)-funding from the Department of Children & Family Services-The Southeastern Independent Living Project assists the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ) in providing independent living skills training to youth 14-21 years of age. This project assists youth in the transition to self-sufficiency; provide education, training and services necessary to obtain employment; prepares them for entry into postsecondary training and education institutions; and provides opportunities for personal and emotional growth and support.

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