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THE NEW U+R CDRC "MAKING AN IMPACT IN YOUR COMMUNITY"

The Urban + Rural Community Design Research Center (U+R CDRC) is located at Southern University's School of Architecture in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The U+R CDRC is an outreach activity of the Southern University School of Architecture. The U+R CDRC provides specific technical assistance in architectural design, planning and construction management in the project area. Activities include using the planning process as a tool to build strong community support and pride, providing the project area with a community sanctioned comprehensive master plan for physical and economic development, providing tangible results that enhance the development of the project area.



Baton Rouge, Louisiana

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS GET INVOLVED: COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES



U+R CDRC Faculty Coordinators Jason Lockhart and Jin Lee posing for a photo after pressure washing windows and eaves.

Members of the U+R CDRC along with faculty, staff and students from Southern University have engaged with Scotlandville residents in community outreach activities. The outreach activities occur three times a semester which help strengthen the communities where we aim to make a difference. The dates for community outreach activities for the 2009-2010 academic year are: September 19, October 10, November 7, February 6, March 13, and April 17. The events take place on Saturday's from 8am-12pm. The U+R CDRC works closely with the Southern University Center for Social Research, the Scotlandville Community Development Corporation and the Community Against Drugs and Violence. If you would like to volunteer or learn more about our Scotlandville outreach call Lauren Edwards at 225.771.3574 for more info.



U+R CDRC Student Director, Sophie Balunywa and volunteers posing for a photo while painting doors at Banks Elementary.



U+R CDRC Faculty Coordinator Archie Tiner, painting a wall at Banks Elementary Gymnasium.



Community member and Banks Elementary Principal, Mr. Lee Coleman.

SCOTLANDVILLE STUDENTS GIVEN THE CHANCE TO DESIGN THE FUTURE OF SCOTLANDVILLE

The "Future of Scotlandville" Design Competition offers elementary, middle and high school students the opportunity to design the vision of Scotlandville for the next generation. Prizes will be awarded to the top three students/teams per each level (Elementary, Middle and High School). Awards ceremony will happen at the Grand opening of the U+R CDRC on November 21st, 2009, at the School of Architecture at Southern University at 10 am. For more information contact Jin Lee at 225.771.3574.

GRAND OPENING!

On November 21, 2009 from 10 am - 12 pm the U+R CDRC will be hosting it's Grand Opening located on the second floor of the Architecture East Building at Southern University. This event is open to all residents of Scotlandville, and the Baton Rouge community at large. Refreshments will be served.

"We as residents have to become more involved in combating the issues confronting our neighborhood"
- Scotlandville Resident

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**U+R CDRC BEGINS
“LISTENING TOUR”**

Local community and faith-based organizations are working with the Southern University Center for Social Research and Southern University Urban + Rural Community Design Research Center at the School of Architecture to develop a Vision for Scotlandville. This Joint Resident-Community Organization and University effort is to provide an opportunity for Scotlandville



Concerned Scotlandville residents who attended the Listening tour on Oct. 6th 2009 at Community Bible Baptist Church.



Residents listening to a question from a fellow community member at Greater Mount Carmel Baptist Church on October 13, 2009.

Lauren Edwards noting the concerns of the community at the listening tour on October 6, 2009.

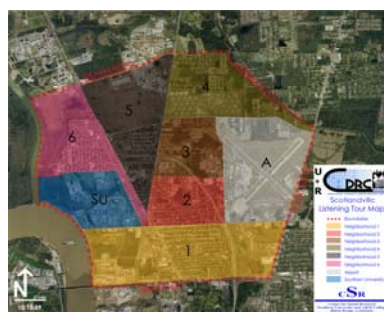


On Tuesday October 6, 2009, Southern University's School of Architecture Dean and U+R CDRC Director, Lonnie Wilkinson addresses members of the Scotlandville community at the Community Bible Baptist Church. The first listening tour. The article written by Jordan Blum, appeared in the Advocate on October 7, 2009 (<http://www.2theadvocate.com/news/63652242.html>).



Residents watching Phillip Anderson placing their concerns on the board on October 13, 2009.

residents to outline their vision for the future of Scotlandville. These meetings allow residents, neighbors and other stakeholders to have their voices heard. This will be 8 weeks of events taking place on Tuesday evenings from 6 pm – 7:30 pm, starting October 6 and ending December 8, 2009. This will be the first round of tours; the second round of tours will begin in January 2010, times/locations to be determined.



Listening Tour Map showing the 6 neighborhoods to be covered over a 8 week period.

“All this is an effort to try to help the residents have a better quality of life,”

- Lonnie Wilkinson

Come Out and Be Heard

The Hosting Locations for the Listening Tours are below:

- October 6, 2009** (Community Bible Baptist Church)
- October 13, 2009** (Greater Mount Carmel Baptist Church)
- October 27, 2009** (Scotlandville Brach Library).
- November 3, 2009** (Mt. Zion Baptist Church—1920 Progress Road)
- November 10, 2009** (Beech Grove Baptist Church)
- November 17, 2009** (Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church)
- December 1, 2009** (Richardson Chapel Church of God In Christ)
- December 8, 2009** (Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church)

For more information on the community meetings, contact Jason Lockhart with the U+R CDRC at 225.771.3574 or William Hawn with CSR at 225.771.4717.

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