RESOURCE FAIR HELD FOR SOUTH WHITTIER FAMILIES PROMOTES PHYSICALLY FIT MINDS AND BODIES

Public, Private and Non-Profit Organizations Work Together to Promote Health and Wellness

South Whittier, May 21, 2016, – The Community Resource Center (CRC), a project of the Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles, collaborated with the South Whittier School District (SWSD), THINK Together and community health partners to host the 6th annual Whittier Area Health and Resource Fair at Carmela Elementary School. Exhibitors, such as the Los Angeles County Public Health Department, John Wesley Community Health, PIH Health, Whittier Community Hospital, Golden Optometric and Children's Happy Teeth Dental, provided physical and mental health resources, as well as dental, eye, cholesterol and blood pressure screenings.
Students from the SWSD also participated in a run-a-thon to raise funds for the Community Education Foundation that provides after-school activities such as art and folklorico dance classes at various schools. Current program enrollees performed during the event. In addition, selected students also participated in the Imaginarium Olympiad, an innovation and creativity competition. The students were given an hour and a half to create a structure made out of recyclable materials. The winning entries were judged on practicality, resourcefulness, creativity and team work. Additionally, an art exhibit showcased the winners of the annual “Arts for All” district-wide competition.

The CRC is funded by the Fourth Supervisorial District and works in collaboration with its onsite service providers to offer health, wellness and educational programs for families, seniors and youth. “Creating a healthier community begins in each and every home,” said Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe. “This event helps us to ensure that parents have the information and tools they need to support their child’s health and education.”

The CRC is located at 10750 Laurel Avenue in South Whittier. For information on services provided by the CRC, please call (562) 946-2425, or visit the website at www.swcrc.org. All media may contact Elisa Vásquez, Public Information Officer, at (626) 586-1762.

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