### **Community Resources**

**Community Christian Concern** 985.646.0357

St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Church Good Samaritan Center, Slidell 985.641.6421

> Samaritan Center, Mandeville 985.626.4457

St. Tammany Community Action 985.646.2090

Northshore Families Helping Families 985.875.0511

> **Volunteers of America** 985.674.0488 or 504.482.2130

> > Habitat for Humanity 985.893.3172

LA Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Slidell Housing Authority 985.726.9000 Section 8 Vouchers 1.800.955.2232

> Covington Food Bank 985.893.3003

Food Stamps (Dept. of Children and Family Services) 985.893.6215 or Hotline: 1.888.524.3578

> Mount Olive Feeding Ministry 985.641.6026

### **Education Resources**

State Coordinator of Homeless Education Louisiana Department of Education 225.219.2949

National Center for Homeless Education 1.800.308.2145 or www.serve.org/nche

**National Coalition for the Homeless** 1.202.462.4822 or www.nationalhomeless.org



KIT Liaison 71460 Edna Street Covington, Louisiana 70433 985.898.3360 www.stpsb.org



# Kids in Transition (KIT) Program



The KIT Program offers support services to families in transition. We want to make sure KIT children attend school regularly and have what they need to be successful.

As families work to find permanent housing, we make every effort to provide compassionate, confidential services for each unique situation.

# How do you know if your family is in transition?

You can receive assistance through the KIT Program if you meet the Federal Government's definition of "homeless." A family is considered homeless if they lack fixed, regular, and adequate housing.

# **Students in Transition**

A student is considered in transition or homeless if he or she is:

- Sharing housing with family or friends due to loss of housing or economic hardship
- Staying in a shelter, hotel or motel, or campground
- Living in substandard housing (without electricity, water, heat, etc.)
- Living in places not designed for regular living accommodations (car, abandoned building, public place, etc.)

## **Rights of Transitional Students**

- Go to school, no matter where they live or how long they have lived there
- Attend the school the student went to before becoming homeless or enroll in the local school where he or she is now living
- Enroll and attend classes without proof of residence or other required enrollment documents
- Receive the same school services and special programs provided to all other students, including transportation, gifted and talented education, special education, etc.
- Receive free breakfast and lunch
- Get help with education related needs, such as school uniforms, supplies, and tutoring

For more information, notify your child's school or call the KIT Office at 985.898.3360.