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### **RECreate Kicks off New Season this Saturday**

*Basketball, Soccer, Tennis, Dance and Cultural Awareness Will be Offered to Students in the Harmony Oaks Neighborhood*

**New Orleans, LA (March 13, 2013)** – RECreate, a project of the Young Leadership Council, will kick off it's a new season on March 16, 2013 at the Harmony Oaks Community Center and A.L. Davis Park.

RECreate connects community volunteers with at-risk kids through recreational activities that include Basketball, Soccer, Tennis, dance, and cultural awareness classes. This season of RECreate will run from March 16 – May 18. Activities will take place every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. In 2012, RECreate conducted two successful seasons, with over 100 kids and 30 community volunteers participating.

RECreate is the YLC's longest-running project and is led and managed by volunteer YLC member Project Leaders. In 2011, YLC volunteers worked to bring back RECreate after it lapsed in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. In 2013, Jack Wiles, Markus Crockett, Latrice Sampson, and Alicia Labat will lead the project.



"We're looking forward to another successful season of providing kids with mentorship and healthy activities," said RECreate project leader and YLC Board Member Jack Wiles. "We're helping kids make good choices, one Saturday at a time."

For more information on RECreate and the YLC, please visit [www.youngleadershipcouncil.org](http://www.youngleadershipcouncil.org).

*The Young Leadership Council is a non-profit, non-partisan civic organization created to develop leadership through community projects. Through volunteer-created community projects, the YLC recruits and retains young professionals to New Orleans, creating a positive impact on the quality of life in the region. The oldest, independent YPO (young professionals' organization) in the country, the YLC has raised more than \$25 million to support community projects in and around the New Orleans area since 1986.*

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