

SAVE eSource
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National SAVE Chapters Unite in Efforts to Provide Hurricane Relief

National **SAVE** has 127 **SAVE** chapters with 45,383 members located within the schools and community groups in the New Orleans and surrounding area that have been hard hit by Hurricane Katrina. **SAVE** chapters around the country are encouraged to join National **SAVE** in assisting these schools by making monetary donations to National **SAVE** earmarked for use to help the victims of this tragedy. National **SAVE** will work with the schools in these areas to assess their greatest needs and provide them with the funds that have been donated by **SAVE** members across the country. Funds will go to assist these schools and agencies in their efforts to rebuild and bring some normalcy for the students during this traumatic time. Please contact National **SAVE** if you have questions or would like to share your ideas for efforts to raise funds for this worthy effort.

Opportunity of the Month: SAVE & ESA Foundation Mini-Grants

Just a reminder that the ESA Grant applications are due in the SAVE office by 5:00 p.m. EDT on September 23, 2005. SAVE chapters in good standing with National Association of SAVE are eligible to apply for a **SAVE Star Grant** sponsored by the ESA Foundation for implementation in the Fall of 2005. These funds (up to \$1,000) can be used for violence prevention activities, resource material, SAVE curriculum, and projects for your chapter. Sign onto the chapter access section of the website for a downloadable version

http://www.nationalsave.org/access_chapter/index.php of the application. This brief two-page application should be completed and faxed, emailed or mailed as soon as possible to ensure that you will be considered for this mini-grant opportunity, as funds are limited. Additional grant opportunities:

http://www.nationalsave.org/access_chapter/funding.php

New SAVE Items: Silicone Wristbands, Satin Ribbons/Bookmarks & I Believe Shirts

By popular request, National SAVE has added several new SAVE items for chapters to purchase. Visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/order.php> to view and order items. New items include:

- ❖ **SAVE Wristbands:** Purple and orange silicone wristbands with Students Against Violence Everywhere and SAVE debossed on them. These wristbands are available in youth and adult sizes and cost \$1.00 each.
- ❖ **SAVE Satin Ribbons/Bookmarks:** Purple and orange satin ribbons that include the SAVE logo and slogan. These are great for awareness ribbons or bookmarks. These ribbons come in a pack of 10 for \$3.00 a pack.
- ❖ **SAVE I Believe T-shirts:** Purple t-shirts with the SAVE logo on the front and the SAVE I Believe statements on the back. Sizes from small – XXL. \$10.00 each.

Hecht's Department Stores Supports Back to School Safety Efforts: SAVE CHAPTERS TO CONDUCT AWARENESS DAY AT LOCAL HECHT'S STORES ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2005

Be sure to visit a North Carolina Hecht's Department Stores on Saturday, September 17th from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. to support your local SAVE chapters! Chapters will host a display table and present brief school safety skits throughout the afternoon. Visit www.nationalsave.org/main/hechts.php for more information.

Upcoming Events:

- **October 7, SAVE: YOUTH VOICES... GROWN-UP CHOICES WORKSHOP
RALEIGH, NC**

Join the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) for a one-day interactive training session on how to effectively implement the SAVE program in your school or community. The workshop topics include violence prevention strategies essential to the SAVE program. Whether you are at an *elementary school, middle school, high school, college or community youth agency*, this workshop will provide you with valuable tools to make a difference in your school and community. Workshop participants will include students and adults from established SAVE chapters as well as those who are thinking of starting a SAVE chapter. Visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/fall2005workshop.php> for additional information and for a registration form.

- **October 19, NATIONAL SAVE DAY**

The National Association of SAVE is proud to announce National SAVE Day will be October 19, 2005. SAVE members across the country are planning activities to bring awareness to the issue of school violence and how they are searching for real solutions to this problem. Please join us in this important event. Visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/SAVEDay.php> frequently for ideas and opportunities as well as downloadable copies of media advisories and sample activities. Begin planning early for your events, so that you can fundraise or purchase materials if needed. Send your ideas to cwray@nationalsave.org so that we can share them with others!

- **October 17-21, AMERICA'S SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK**

America's 2005 Safe Schools Week will occur October 17 through the 21. Activities conducted during America's Safe Schools Week will draw attention to the continuing problem of school violence and educate everyone about how schools can be made safer and more secure. America's Safe Schools Week offers an opportunity to address this very important issue and to take steps to ensure that schools offer students and teachers an environment in which they can perform to the best of their abilities. For more information visit <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/safe%20schools%20week.php>.

Monthly Focus – Speaking Out: Communication

In September, **SAVE** chapters really get rolling. It takes good communication to get the word out about your chapter and the great things you are doing. Have kickoff meetings, membership drives, and start planning projects and fund-raisers for the year. This is the time when most chapters elect their officers for the year and begin publicizing **SAVE** and all of the great activities that will lie ahead. Start contacting resource people in your school or community (i.e. counselors, SROs, violence prevention specialists, etc.) that can help enhance your meetings or serve as speakers. You may also contact businesses or civic groups about becoming possible sponsors for your planned events. Get together with other schools in your area to begin planning joint projects for the year. Middle and high school chapters may want to contact feeder schools to set up presentations for younger students who may be interested in joining **SAVE**. <http://www.nationalsave.org/main/calendar.php>

SAVE Question of the Month –

The September Question of the Month is: "How is your SAVE Chapter assisting in the Katrina relief effort?"

Send your responses to: forum@nationalsave.org

Check out: <http://www.nationalsave.org/forum/index.php#SD> to see your response posted!
