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## East Baton Rouge Council on Aging Begins Annual "Beat the Heat" Fan & Air Conditioner Distribution

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana (05/29/2019) – The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging announced today that it would begin the distribution of fans and air conditioner units as part of its Annual "Beat the Heat" Fan & Air Conditioner Distribution. Due to record-breaking heat and high temperatures, EBRCOA is providing a Fan or an Air Conditioner to qualified seniors. The agency criteria will determine who will receive the donated items.

- Seniors must be age 60 and over to receive a fan or A/C window unit.
- EBRCOA Care Managers and Social Workers must perform an In-Home Assessment for seniors to receive an A/C unit.
- Only one (1) Fan or A/C unit will be distributed per household.

EBRCOA will distribute the Fans and A/C units at their main location (5790 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806) from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. daily, beginning Thursday, May 30, 2019 throughout the summer, until supplies are exhausted. When picking up a fan or A/C unit, please bring identification.

For more information, call (225) 923-8000.

"This summer our area is experiencing record high temperatures. We ask that the community check on your elderly family and friends; as they are susceptible to heat emergencies," stated Tasha Clark-Amar, EBRCOA Chief Executive Officer.

The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is a non-profit organization serving the senior population of East Baton Rouge Parish. Annually, our agency delivers 435,000 meals through our "Meals on Wheels" Program and over 200,000 meals to seniors through our senior centers and meal sites.

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East Baton Rouge Council On Aging: Supporting Independence ~ Serving Seniors

Since 1973, the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA), a 501c3 nonprofit supported by philanthropic donations and public funds (federal, state, and local), has served the seniors of East Baton Rouge Parish through a spectrum of nutritional and social services such as the nationally recognized Meals on Wheels program and over a dozen community senior centers throughout the Parish. EBRCOA is charged with discovering and meeting the growing needs of this ever-increasing population. Central to EBRCOA's mission – Supporting Independence and Serving Seniors – is proving high-quality services to seniors, the maintenance of their personal independence, and the enhancement of their storied lives while being good fiduciary stewards of public funds and trust.

More information about EBRCOA and its services can be found online at www.ebrcoa.org.