

FUN SAFE PHILLY SUMMER



2015 Summer Wrap-Up!

Letter from the Mayor

It is hard to believe that it is already September, but time flies when you're having a Fun Safe Philly Summer. Over the past several weeks, young people and their families have been taking full advantage of the long days to visit neighborhood parks, swim in the pool, cool off in the library with a good book, and come out for a number of free festivals, concerts, and outdoor movies. In addition, youth have regularly received free meals from more than 1,450 summer meal sites across the city.

We have been hard at work here over at Fun Safe Philly Summer, distributing more than 3,000 free books to 600 youth at outdoor summer meal sites. We also hosted an additional 350+ youth at our summer pop-up event series, where we handed out free snacks and t-shirts, distributed more books, and most importantly, had lots of fun skateboarding, ice skating, biking, and dancing with you all.

I hope this summer has been an enjoyable and restful break before what is sure to be a productive, successful autumn! Whether you are starting your first day of Kindergarten or applying to college, always remember to work hard in school and stay engaged with the great resources our city has to offer year-round.

Mayor Michael A. Nutter



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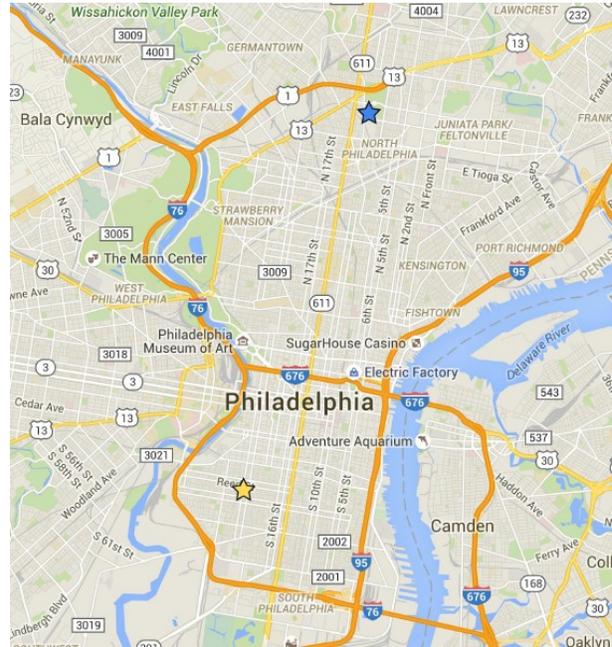
Summer Meals Outreach

This summer, with the help of two 10-week AmeriCorps VISTA Associates, Fun Safe Philly Summer conducted on-the-ground outreach in the **Hunting Park** and **Point Breeze** neighborhoods of north and south Philadelphia, respectively.

The VISTA Associates led a team of volunteers in distributing door-hangers and palm cards with information about the free summer meals program to residents and small businesses.

The objective of this outreach was to encourage participation in the free summer meals program and inform residents of the three meal sites nearest to their homes.

Free, USDA-funded summer meals are available citywide to all youth 18 and younger, as well as individuals with disabilities of any age enrolled in school programs. They are offered at 1,454 sites citywide, which include recreation centers, churches, and hundreds of outdoor neighborhood meal sites.



SUMMER MEALS OUTREACH BY THE NUMBERS

- **7,246 door-hangers** and **3,818 palm cards** distributed
- **19 days** of active outreach
- **30 volunteers** and youth workers engaged
- **30.6 miles** walked along city blocks

Back to School

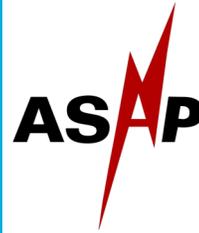
Summer is over, but there are lots of ways to stay connected to activities and resources throughout the year!



Philly Goes 2 College is an initiative of the Mayor's Office of Education that aims to connect college-bound students with the resources they need to succeed during the application process and beyond!
www.phillygoestocollege.org



You can do a lot of the activities listed in our "101 Free Things to Do in the Summer" guide year-round! Don't have a copy yet? Visit our website to download a guide or contact us and ask us to send you a hard copy!
www.funsafephillysummer.com



After School Activities Partnerships runs hundreds of drama, debate, chess, and Scrabble clubs around the city. Their 2015 directory of after school programs includes tons of other activities as well!
www.phillyasap.org



Summer meals are over, but there are still lots of food resources available to Philadelphians. The **Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger** provides information on a variety of ways to eat well, stretch a food budget, and keep people of all ages connected to nutritious meals.
www.hungercoalition.org

Thank you for another

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