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CFVI/LSSVI to Host Play & Learn Tent at St. Croix Agrifest 2020

Interactive Demonstrations and Activities Will Engage Children and Families



A young fair goer enjoys slime-making at the CFVI/LSSVI Play & Learn Tent during Agrifest 2019

U.S. Virgin Islands, February 12, 2020 — The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) and Lutheran Social Services of the Virgin Islands (LSSVI) invite children and families to visit their Play & Learn Tent at the 49th Annual Agricultural and Food Fair, February 15-17 at the Fairgrounds on St. Croix.

The Play & Learn Tent is designed to encourage children and parents to engage together in play and developmentally appropriate activities. This year's tent activities will once again emphasize STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) concepts, using hands-on activities such as slime-making and flour painting to promote learning through fun. Early childhood professionals from LSSVI's Early Head Start Program will guide children and their parents through the activities.

Make sure you get your "Talk at the Fair" handout! Available in both English and Spanish, this guide provides prompts for families with children to talk about what they see and do at the Fair. CFVI will also be providing the *IGGI* Story and Coloring Book to allow for continued discussions around hurricane recovery and supporting children, families, and our community. CFVI's annual Fatherhood Collaborative t-shirts will also be available for pick-up by fathers.

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About the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands

Since 1990, the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) has been a catalyst for positive change in the Territory through initiatives committed to youth, learning, family support and the environment. With a professional staff and a volunteer Board of Directors composed of community leaders, CFVI is a trusted advocate and supporter of programs that ensure opportunity and sustainability for current and future generations. CFVI is a registered non-profit organization entirely supported by individual donors, grants, trusts, corporate donations and estate planning. For more information, visit www.cfvi.net.

About Lutheran Social Services of the V.I.

Lutheran Social Services of the V.I., Inc. is the largest private child and family services agency in the Virgin Islands with five housing complexes for low-income seniors and adults with disabilities; a safe haven for neglected, abused and severely disabled children; and two 24-hour residential care facilities for adults with disabilities unable to live independently. LSSVI's Early Head Start program provides education and day care services for children from birth to age 3 that promote healthy development and school readiness, and supplemental support services and programs for at-risk families and pregnant women.