## FOR KIDS AND BOOKS – A FIRST

A little recognition is always good for the cause, especially when the cause is brighter and healthier children. The Boys, Girls, Adults Community Development Center booth at the 2016 Marvell County Fair, which emphasized the power of reading, won first place for its ingenuity and the power of its message.



Reading - grade level and beyond - is BGACDC's most urgent goal, the objective of year-round programs. The booth, littered with colorful books, emphasized that reading was the road to new experiences. The road to the left led kids to experience new countries and cultures, and the road to the right took them to interesting careers. Its invigorating message was that when you're reading you're always off to great places and new experiences that will enrich your life.

The fair and the booth came at the end of summer, when BGACDC emphasizes through its summer programs the need to read to maintain and achieve higher levels of



accomplishment. Marvell Reads is a community wide partnership between BGACDC, the Marvell-Elaine Elementary School and the Children's Defense Fund.

By sharing our resources, we are providing out-ofschool learning opportunities that build upon what our students are learning in class. We've worked hard to engage families - indeed everyone in our community - so they can discover how much children are learning.

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