Small town in the big city? Survey says yes

Pastor’s research team finds that the secret is in the neighborhoods

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A Richfield pastor has transformed a small town’s fear of being a third-ring suburb into an effort to learn more about the community, and he might be on to something done.

Ben Sanders, pastor at House of Prayer Lutheran Church, heads a team of congregations members in an in-depth survey as they take the


Funding promotes tobacco cessation amongst Latinos

Health equity at center of the push

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Richfield is the target of $175,000 worth of funding for a tobacco cessation campaign focusing on the city’s Latino population.

Richfield’s Health Equity at Center of the Push award.

A Sun Current staff photo by Andrew Wig

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Richfield DECA program certified gold again

Students earn certification for fifth straight time

BY SARAH THAMER
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Richfield High School’s store, Spartan Avenue, was among 316 school-based enterprises in the United States this year to achieve Gold Level Certification — the highest level of accreditation that can be achieved.

With the help of their advisor Dean Breuer, Richfield students Lary Lopez and Jonathan Rivas worked on this year’s certification — marking the fifth consecutive year that Spartan Avenue has received Gold-Level honors.

DECA Inc., a student organization with more than 215,000 members in the U.S., prepares high school and college students aspiring to be leaders and entrepreneurs in various areas such as marketing, finance, hospitality and management.

DECA’s, education, career and economic impact can be achieved.

The program has allowed Breuer to further explore his interest in business.

In 2011, more than 100 schools got together and approximately 50 met DECA’s qualifications, Breuer said. That same year, Richfield DECA took sixth in the nation. Out of 18 performance indicators, they scored all 18 items.

“We’re one of the top schools in the country,” said President and DECA’s Advisor’s Assistant Dean Breuer. “We do a great job in servicing students for college and career.”

Richfield DECA’s Chapter President, Anna Perez, said that being part of a DECA has helped her tremendously with public speaking.

“A huge problem with public speaking and learning how to be comfortable,” she said.

With this program, I learned to better my speaking skills and my presentation in classrooms. I look at the audience more and listen at my papers,” Perez said.

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