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[The 15th Annual Walter and Leah Rand Awards and Scholarship Dinner](#)

On April 28th, WRI hosted its annual ceremony and dinner to honor those making a difference to South Jersey communities. [Read More.](#)

[CCPYDC Data Walk: May '16 Update](#)

On May 20th, WRI presented the third session of the Cumberland County DataWalk to Coalition Members. [Read More.](#)

[WRI Organizes CCPYDC's 'Stand up for Gun Safety' Community Event](#)

On June 8th, CCPYDC celebrated the success of its Gun Safety and Violence Awareness Initiative, a three part awareness program comprised of Gun Safety Education, the designation of June as Gun Safety and Violence Awareness Month, and the student Gun Safety and Violence Awareness Public Service Announcement Contest. [Read More.](#)

[South Jersey PARCC Results for the 2014-2015 School Year](#)

WRI has added information from the '14-'15 PARCC scores to our South Jersey Infographics. [Read More.](#)

Spotlight

[Corynn Smith](#) is a fourth year undergraduate working towards a degree in East Asian Languages and Area Studies. Her fields of interest—which include socio-linguistics, cultural and linguistic anthropology, and cross-cultural communication—stem from an academic background in Mandarin, Japanese, Korean, and Linguistics. At the Walter Rand Institute, Corynn will gather and aggregate data from statewide reports and localize them to South Jersey for the benefit of various WRI projects.

[Michael Zier](#) joins WRI as our new Web Assistant. He is a Paul D. Coverdell Fellow pursuing his Masters in Public Administration at Rutgers-Camden. With an educational background in philosophy, his studies focus on culturally relevant, humanities-based trauma responses in urban environments.

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[NJBIZ Profiles WRI Alumni Thomas Beaver](#)

The business newspaper has published an interview with WRI's former graduate assistant, now the Head Media Relations Officer for the College of New Jersey. [Read More.](#)