



Trident United Way

DIRECTORY OF
VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES
2012-2013



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Volunteer link
and follow the
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GO VOLUNTEER!

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Volunteer!

2-1-1 GIVE HELP TOOLS

- Click the Big Blue Button
- Dial 2-1-1 anytime to give help or to get help
- Watch ABC News 4 every Thursday evening for the Volunteer Spotlight agency of the week
- Check out the Holiday Giving and Volunteering Guide during the winter holiday season.
- Contact 2-1-1 Give Help staff: Sally Burnett – 566-7185, 211volunteer@tuw.org
- Keep Go Volunteer handy. Pick up extra copies at:

6296 Rivers Ave.
North Charleston

325 East Main St.
Moncks Corner

117 South Main St.
Summerville

United Way



Trident United Way

"Many thanks to Steve Poe, Pennie Johnson, Shade Chisolm, Caroline Dennis, and Kelsey Johanson for their assistance with the Go Volunteer!"

There's work to be done... and volunteers have the skills, creativity and passion to do it.

Folks in our community agree on the need to dramatically improve community conditions in the critical areas of education, financial stability and health. Bold change will be necessary to achieve our community's 10-year goals:

- Education – 88% of students enrolled in 8th grade will graduate high school five years later and will be prepared for higher education and/or employment.
- Financial Stability – 30% of triconty residents living at or below 200% of poverty will move into financial stability

- Health – 25% more triconty residents will adopt a healthy lifestyle and reduce preventable conditions

Trident United Way is focusing all its work to achieve these goals, and is collaborating with dozens of other business, non-profit and government organizations and individuals to target their efforts the same way. Together we achieve bold change in people's lives and in the life of our Lowcountry. Check out the "fact boxes" throughout Go Volunteer to learn how volunteers can help accomplish these bold goals.

Things change. Be sure to visit tuw.org and follow the volunteer links to find out the latest.

Refuse to grow old gracefully.

RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) is a unique volunteer hub for all those over 55. RSVP assists individuals ages 55 or older in finding service opportunities in the Lowcountry. There are hundreds of ways volunteers can be engaged; whether it's with a nonprofit organization, community event or a school, RSVP can find the right opportunity for you!



For more information, check out RSVP on page 34 or contact Pam Dillon at (843) 764-2323 ext. 380.



Dial 2-1-1

for more information about volunteer opportunities or if you need help with a personal or family problem.

Trident United Way's 2-1-1 Hotline

Free. Confidential. 24 Hours a Day.
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 922-2283



Index of Agencies by Interest

Most of the agencies and organizations have opportunities for groups or families, and many also welcome Court-Ordered Community Service Volunteers. Just find one that interests you and give them a call!

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 Carolina Youth Development Center
 Charleston Animal Protection
 Darkness to Light
 The Dee Norton Lowcountry Children's Center
 Dorchester Children's Center
 Eagle Harbor Boys Ranch
 Family Violence Intervention Program
 Guardian Ad Litem Volunteer Program - Berkeley
 Guardian Ad Litem Volunteer Program - Charleston
 Guardian Ad Litem Volunteer Program - Dorchester
 HALOS
 Jenkins Institute for Children
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 Lowcountry Orphan Relief
 My Sister's House
 Pajama Program
 Parents Anonymous®
 People Against Rape
 Victim Assistance Program (Mt. Pleasant)
 Windwood Farm Home for Children

Animals

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 The Center for Birds of Prey
 Charles Towne Landing
 Charleston Animal Protection
 Charleston Animals Society
 Charleston Area Therapeutic Riding
 Doc Williams SPCA
 Frances R. Willis SPCA
 International Primate Protection League
 Lowcountry Equine-Assisted Psychotherapy (LEAP)
 Lowcountry House Rabbit Society
 Mirror Equestrian Center
 Pet Helpers
 Rein And Shine
 South Carolina Aquarium

Arts And Crafts

The Ark
 Berkeley Citizens
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 Camp Happy Days
 Carter-May Home
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 Charleston County Public Library
 City of North Charleston Recreation Department
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 Dorchester Seniors
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 Joint Base Charleston Youth Programs
 Ralph A. Johnson Veteran's Affairs Medical Center
 South Santee Senior & Community Center
 The Village at Summerville

Basic Needs/Food/Clothing

Air Force Aid Program
 Alston Wilkes Society
 American Red Cross
 Ansonborough House
 Berkeley Seniors
 Charleston Area Children's Garden Project
 Charleston Area Senior Citizen Services
 Charleston County Human Services Commission
 Coastal Catholic Charities
 The Community Center of St. Matthew's
 Crisis Ministries
 David Sojourner Senior Center
 Dorchester Seniors
 Dream Center
 East Cooper Community Outreach
 Families Helping Families
 Fields to Families
 HALOS
 Help of Charleston
 Helping Hands of Goose Creek

Almost all of the agencies and organizations listed would appreciate help in the following areas:

Administrative/Office Help
 Clean Up
 Computer/Data Entry
 Fundraising/Marketing
 Landscaping
 Painting
 Public Relations
 Community Outreach
 Spanish Interpreters
 Special Events
 Website Support

Lowcountry Food Bank
 Lowcountry Orphan Relief
 Lowcountry Pregnancy Center
 Meals on Wheels - East Cooper
 Meals on Wheels of St. Paul's Parish
 Meals on Wheels of Summerville
 Midland Park Community Ministries
 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society
 Neighborhood House
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 Water Missions International
 Without Walls Ministry

Children & Youth

4-H Youth Development Program
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 Berkeley County Family YMCA
 Berkeley County School District
 Beyond Our Walls
 Big Brothers Big Sisters
 Book Buddies
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 Girl Scouts of Eastern South Carolina
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 Youth Empowerment Services (YES)
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Community Development

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 Carter-May Home
 Charleston Port & Seafarers' Society
 Family Services
 Nuevos Caminos
 Respite Care Charleston
 Riverside Health and Rehabilitation
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 Trident Area Agency on Aging
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Construction/Repair/Landscaping

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 Callen-Lacey Center for Children
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 Dorchester County Board Of Disabilities and Special Needs
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 Palmetto Technology Hub
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Culture/History/Arts

American College of the Building Arts
 Berkeley County Museum
 Chamber Music Charleston
 Charles Towne Landing
 Charleston Ballet Theater
 Children's Museum of the Lowcountry
 City Of North Charleston Cultural Arts
 The Company Company
 Creative Spark Center for the Arts
 Drayton Hall
 Face the World Exchange Student Program
 Footlight Players
 Friends of the Hunley
 The Greater Park Circle Film Society
 Historic Charleston Foundation
 Legare Farms Education Foundation
 Middleton Place Foundation
 National Park Service
 Old Exchange Building
 Preservation Society of Charleston
 Spoleto Festival USA
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Disability

Association for the Blind
 Berkeley Citizens, Inc.
 Blissful Dreams
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Disaster/Emergency

2-1-1 Hotline (TUV)
American Red Cross
Berkeley County Rescue Squad
Goose Creek Lions Club
Lowcountry CERT
Trident United Way
Water Missions International

Education/Instruction/Tutor

American College of the Building Arts
American Red Cross
Berkeley County Library System
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Teachers' Supply Closet
Tricounty Family Ministries
Trident Literacy Association
Windwood Farm Home for Children
Wings for Kids
Youth Empowerment Services (YES)
YWCA Of Charleston

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The Community Center of St. Matthew's
Midland Park Community Ministries
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Trident Literacy Association

Environment

Ashley Cooper Stormwater Education Consortium
Audubon Center at Francis Beidler Forest
Berkeley County Adopt-A-Highway
Berkeley County Blueways
Berkeley County Water & Sanitation
Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge
Charles Towne Landing
Charleston Area Children's Garden Project
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Financial Counseling/Tax Assistance

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Junior Achievement of Coastal SC
Magdalene House of Charleston
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Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

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American Cancer Society
American Heart Association
The Ark
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Carolina Children's Charity
Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center
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Parenting/Family Support

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Berkeley County Family YMCA
Berkeley County Library System
Berkeley County PAWS
Berkeley County Water & Sanitation
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Charleston Area Senior Citizen Services
Charleston Area Therapeutic Riding
Charleston County Human Services Commission
Charleston County Parks & Recreation

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Charleston Marathon
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Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy
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VOLUNTEER FACT # 1

VITA volunteers provide free tax preparation that helps people claim their tax refunds.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

2-1-1 HOTLINE (TUW)
PO Box 63305,
N. Charleston, SC 29419



Mission: To increase the ease and effectiveness by which local citizens can get or give help.

Sonia Donnelly
Phone: (843) 566-7186
Email: 211@tuw.org

Website: www.tuw.org/211volunteer.asp

Volunteer Opportunities: Phone volunteers offer 24-hour listening, information, referral, and crisis intervention. Other opportunities include administrative support, special projects, and disaster services.

Training: Training for phone volunteers occurs 3 times a year and is approximately 35 hours. A nine-month commitment of 15-20 hours a month is requested after training.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None

Wish List: Gift cards, gift certificates, passes to local tourist attractions for volunteer appreciation events; food donations for training, annual volunteer picnic and holiday party; colored paper, 1-inch 3 ring binders for training; printing for training manuals.

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - TRICOUNTY
3014 Cypress Gardens Rd.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: The South Carolina 4-H Youth Development Program uses a learn-by-doing approach, the involvement of caring adults, and the knowledge and resources of Clemson University and the land grant university system to empower youth to become healthy, productive, and contributing members of society.

Gayle Williford
Phone: (843) 719-4140
Email: gwillif@clemson.edu
Website: www.clemson.edu/4h

Volunteer Opportunities: Club/Project Leaders: organize and conduct clubs, guide and teach youth.
Resource Leaders: present on areas of expertise.

Judges: during and prior to the opening of the Coastal Carolina Fair. Other opportunities: set up exhibits and judge contests during the fair; judges and room monitors needed for regional and state contests; assist with clubs, in-school and after-school groups, summer workshops, etc.

Training: Club/Project leaders receive training to organize and maintain the clubs.

Minimum Age: 19
Requirements: Background and criminal record checks.

Wish List: Computerized sewing machine, tent for outdoor activities, equipment and supplies for shooting sports club.

A CARING HEART
6296 Rivers Ave., Ste. 307
Charleston, SC 29406



Mission: Honoring Life. Respecting Choices. Giving Hope. We believe in honoring life, always! We believe everyone should have a voice and choices. We believe that Hope last forever in this life and beyond.

Kathy Coffey
Phone: (843) 637-1558
Email: kathy.coffey@acaringheart.org
Website: www.acaringheart.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers make weekly 1-2 hr. social visits in patients homes. Volunteers sometimes provide respite for caregivers.

Training: Volunteer training is provided free and takes about 3 hrs. Updated PPD's are required and given free also.

Minimum Age: 16, as individual or an adult companion in a group.

Requirements: Background checks and driver's license information are required of all volunteers who see patients.

Wish List: Ensure dietary supplement, pull-ups or Depends for adults.

ACCESSHEALTH TRI-COUNTY NETWORK
6296 Rivers Ave., Ste. 310
N. Charleston, SC 29419

Mission: The vision of AccessHealth Tri-County Network is to spark community collaboration to improve health outcomes. The mission is to coordinate a sustainable provider network of care for low-income, uninsured residents of Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester counties.

Rosalia Velazquez
Phone: (843) 743-2777
Email: rosalia@ahtricity.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Physicians willing to participate in AccessHealth Tri-County Network by accepting referrals from community health centers, free clinics and outreach programs through AccessHealth Tri-County Network. Physicians under AccessHealth donate their services by committing to see a designated number of enrolled, uninsured patients per year.



Training: General program overview conducted by AccessHealth staff accompanied by provider manual outlining program guidelines.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Licensed physicians.

AIR FORCE AID PROGRAM
104 East Simpson St., Bldg 500,
Joint Base Charleston Air Base, SC 29404

Mission: The official charity of the U.S. Air Force, providing financial emergency assistance exclusively to the military. Help is provided to countless members of the Air Force community.

Catherine Knichel
Phone: (843) 963-4414
Email: catherine.knichel@us.af.mil
Website: jbcharleston.com/afrc-home

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed when certain large-scale events, i.e. repatriation, arises that requires additional volunteer assistance from the civilian community.

Training: Provided dependent upon the event.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check.

ALPHA PREGNANCY CENTER
345 Farmington Rd.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: An outreach ministry reaching out to women and their families, giving pro-life information and assistance in pregnancy-related situations.

Taryn Moore
Phone: (843) 875-5623
Email: alphaoutreach@gmail.com
Website: alphapregnancycenter.wordpress.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Client Service Assistants help orient clients and care for needs of clients families while they wait for services. Other client services are available. Counseling training available for experienced volunteers.

Training: All in-service training is required as well as continuous on-the-job training.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Infant clothing and furniture in like-new condition for Baby Store. Paper products - towels, toilet paper, etc.

ALSTON WILKES SOCIETY
117 S Main St.



Summerville, SC 29483
Mission: Rebuilding lives for a safer community.

April Morales
Phone: (843) 821-5000
Email: amorales@alstonwilkessociety.org
Website: www.alstonwilkessociety.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Office work, filing answering phones, fund raising skills, work with clients.
Training: Trained by caseworker to work one on one with the client.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check required for volunteers going into the prisons.
Wish List: Tooth paste, razors, shampoo, tooth brushes, washcloths, winter coats.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION
2090 Executive Hall Rd., Ste. 130
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: To eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

Cawana Wilson
Phone: (843) 571-2641
Email: Cawana.Wilson@alz.org
Website: www.alz.org/sc

Volunteer Opportunities: Special projects - Walk to end Alzheimer's volunteers; Annual Bridge run volunteers, other fundraising events, health fairs and office assistance (when needed).
Training: Varies depending on task.

Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None
Wish List: Pop-Up Tents for annual events, signage for portable trailer.

AMEDISYS HOSPICE
1027 Physicians Dr., Ste. 240
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission: Amedisys Hospice uses their talent and heart to give quality to life, and set the standard for excellence in care, in order to share with all the privilege of experiencing the dignity and wholeness of death.

Stephanie Reinhardt
Phone: (843) 554-7161
Email: stephanie.reinhardt@amedisys.com
Website: <http://www.amedisys.com>

Volunteer Opportunities: Clerical/office volunteers, direct care volunteers that work with our patients and their families, and special project volunteers.
Training: Training is provided for all volunteers, based on need and experience.

Minimum Age: 18 for direct care volunteers; 16 for clerical/office volunteers. Those under 18 who wish to volunteer in our office are required to have a waiver signed by their parents stating that they can participate.

Requirements: All Direct Care and Clerical Volunteers must sign a waiver allowing us to do a background check, have a yearly TB screening, and a physician's signature on our certificate of health form.

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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

5900 Core Rd., Ste. 504
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

Michelle Mennetti
Phone: (843) 744-1922
Email: michelle.mennetti@cancer.org
Website: www.cancer.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Relay for Life and fundraising opportunities, speaking in the community, working with survivor support groups, office support, internships are available.

Training: One-day training.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background checks are required only for internships.

Wish List: Wigs.

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF THE BUILDING ARTS

21 Magazine St.
Charleston, SC 29418

Mission: The American College of the Building Arts educates and trains artisans in the traditional building arts to foster exceptional craftsmanship and encourage the preservation, enrichment, and understanding of the world's architectural heritage through a liberal arts education.

Kerri Forrest
Phone: (843) 577-5245
Email: forrestk@buildingartscollege.us
Website: www.buildingartscollege.us

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed in the following administrative areas: Development Marketing & Public Relations Finance/ Financial Aid, Student Affairs, Special Events.

Training: Volunteer training will be determined based on skill set and difficulty of task.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Volunteers will be required to participate in an orientation, complete a volunteer application and sign a volunteer policy statement.

Wish List: Computers with the capability to run AutoCAD software; Adobe Design software (for Windows or Mac); digital cameras; stone slabs and zinc for templates for the Plaster Shop; portable power and hand tools; wood and timber for Carpentry and Timber Framing Shops; iron and coal.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION- CHARLESTON

409 King St., Ste. 300
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The American Heart Association's mission is building healthier lives, free of cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

Robyn Reese
Phone: (843) 853-1597
Email: robyn.reese@heart.org
Website: www.americanheart.org

Volunteer Opportunities: American Heart Association sponsors health fairs throughout the year and two major events that require volunteers: Lowcountry Heart Walk in September and Charleston Heart Ball in February.

Training: Orientation is provided. Other training varies depending on task.

Minimum Age: 15

Requirements: None

AMERICAN RED CROSS-CLC

8085 Rivers Ave., Ste. F
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its congressional charter and the Fundamental Principles



of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

Lisa Miller-Wills
Phone: (843) 764-2323 EXT. 364
Email: willsli@usa.redcross.org
Website: www.LowcountryRedCross.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Multiple volunteer opportunities exist in the area of Emergency Services, which includes Disaster Services, Service to the Armed Forces and International Services. We also have openings in our Health and Safety Services and with our general volunteer services office. Our Philanthropy office also has a need for volunteers to help with special events and fundraising.

Training: All new Volunteers are asked to attend New Volunteer Orientation, take a class called "Disaster Services: An Overview."

Minimum Age: Youth 10-14 must volunteer with a parent who is also a volunteer. 15-18 can volunteer with parental permission with certain restrictions. Requirements: Volunteers 18 and over are asked to submit to and pass a background check that is done online after they have completed the New Volunteer Orientation.

Wish List: New laptop computers for program and administrative use; Shredders for administrative use; Gas cards for volunteers; printer cartridges; new or refurbished office chairs; webcams.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 2

Volunteers who help plant or tend a community garden increase the availability of fresh fruits and vegetables for tricounty residents.

ANSONBOROUGH HOUSE

71 Society St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: We are low income housing for seniors 62 and above dedicated to providing a high quality environment for independent living.

Donna Cook
Phone: (843) 723-8613
Email: donnac@charlestonareaseniors.com
Website: charlestonareaseniors.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help operate the food pantry on Wednesdays 9-11am and Thursday 12-2pm

Training: One-on-one training with site staff.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: None

Wish List: Videos and new books for library; small items to use as birthday gifts for residents.

THE ARK

206 Central Ave.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: The ARK's mission is to provide hope and relief to families living with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia through support services such as respite care, support groups, education, caregiver consultation, and resource referrals and community development. The ARK offers group social respite in a safe, therapeutic, and loving environment of acceptance. Family members receive a temporary break from the responsibilities of full-time caregiving, while the care receiver participates in social activities.

Peg Lahmeyer
Phone: (843) 832-2357
Email: info@thearkofsc.org
Website: www.thearkofsc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist on program days with companionship, crafts, musical entertainment, stained glass projects and other activities. Help with marketing, public relations, and other behind-the-scenes projects. Volunteers needed for to help with the Dancing with the ARK Stars event in March and

the 5K race in the summer.

Training: Orientation and training provided.

Minimum Age: 14; parental support is needed if volunteer is younger than 14.

Requirements: None

Wish List: Hand sanitizer, office equipment and supplies, decaffeinated coffee, sugar-free and regular cookies, paper shredder and gift cards for Michael's, AC Moore, Target, Staples and WalMart.

ASHLEY COOPER STORMWATER

EDUCATION CONSORTIUM
259 Meeting St.

Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: The Ashley Cooper Stormwater Education Consortium (ACSEC) was created by Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service to inform and educate communities about water quality, water quantity and the cumulative effects of stormwater.

Angela Crouch
Phone: (843) 722-5940 x112
Email: acrouch@clemson.edu
Website: clemson.edu/public/carolinaclear

Volunteer Opportunities: Storm drain marking involves labeling storm drain inlets with plaques, tiles, painted or pre-cast messages warning citizens not to dump pollutants into the drain. The messages are generally a simple phrase or graphic to remind those passing by that the storm drains connect to local waterbodies and that dumping will pollute those waters. Some storm drain markers specify which waterbody the inlet drains to or name the particular river, lake, or bay. Common messages include: "No Dumping. Drains to Water Source," "Drains to River," and "You Dump It, You Drink It. No Waste Here."

Training: Online training video.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND

1071 Morrison Dr., Ste. A
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The Association for the Blind serves and supports people with visual needs.

Cornelia H. Pelzer
Phone: (843) 723-6915
Email: aafb@associationfortheblindsc.org
Website: www.associationfortheblindsc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: In April, the Association is hosts Double Up 4 Vision - a 24-hour tandem relay event with a sighted pilot riding in the front and a visually-impaired stoker on the back, and a 5K tandem bike event. The Association needs volunteers for set-up, registration, handing out water, cheering on teams, clean-up, photographs, videotaping, etc.

Training: A brief training will occur prior to the event.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Volunteers are required to attend a training session.

Wish List: Tandem bikes, tents, water/Gatorade, bananas, apples, coffee.

AUDUBON CENTER AT FRANCIS BEIDLER FOREST

Francis Beidler Forest
336 Sanctuary Rd.

Harleyville, SC 29448

Mission: The mission of Audubon South Carolina is to protect and enhance habitat for birds and other wildlife, and to educate people and involve communities in conservation.

Michael Dawson
Phone: (843) 462-2150
Email: mdawson@audubon.org
Website: www.beidlerforest.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Canoe trip guides in the spring; general reception desk help; occasional grounds maintenance (habitat upkeep, boardwalk maintenance, land management, etc.). Training: Orientation is provided. Training depends on the opportunity.



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Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check is required if working with children or the cash register.
Wish List: Gently used iPod Touch for the Swampology Education Program; Flip digital video camera for the school children's visits; digital cameras.

BE A MENTOR
PO BOX 70217

N. Charleston, SC 29415

Mission: To strengthen the mentoring movement in the Lowcountry by providing capacity building assistance in recruiting mentors to our partner organizations and many other small community, school and faith based programs. To help create new programs that will match mentors to children who are not being mentored by existing programs. The overall vision is that every child has a responsible, caring mentor & knows that someone believes in him or her.

Heather Fields

Phone: (843) 554-5987

Email: hfields@beamentornow.org

Website: www.BeAMentorNow.org

Volunteer Opportunities: We work with a wide range of mentoring programs- during the school day, on weekends in the community, and with faith based organizations. Most programs require 4 hours per month. Training: Varies by partner program; at least 1 hour of training for all programs.

Minimum Age: 18; 21 for some programs.

Requirements: All mentors must pass a DSS and Sex Offender background check. Requirements vary slightly by opportunity.

Wish List: PR services, printing services, prizes for our annual mentor awards celebration (raffle prizes).

BEACON HOSPICE

501 Wando Park Blvd., Ste. 100

Mt Pleasant, SC 29464

Mission: To offer palliative care that seeks to comfort rather than cure. Beacon offers comprehensive compassionate care for people at the end of life and support for their families.

Sarah Watts

Phone: (843) 972-0500

Email: swatts@beaconhospicesc.com

Website: www.beaconhospicesc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Companionship and emotional support; caregiver relief; transportation; special projects (e.g., quilting or crocheting items for clients); assistance with errands.

Training: Orientation and training are required.

Minimum Age: 18; there are some opportunities for ages 12-17.

Requirements: Criminal background check and drug screen.

BERKELEY CITIZENS, INC.

132 Citizens Ln.

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: To create and promote opportunities for people with lifelong developmental disabilities, including autism, mental retardation and related disabilities; to be a part of, and participate in, the same valued experiences and life events as do other citizens of Berkeley County, through individually designed supports, services and training.

Libby Kilgallen

Phone: (843) 761-0316

Email: lkilgallen@bciservices.org

Website: www.berkeleycitizens.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer opportunities are available in October for the Antique Bottle & Collectibles Show at Berkeley Industries in Moncks Corner. Looking for someone to teach us how to operate ceramic kilns.

Training: Varies with opportunity.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

BERKELEY COUNTY ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

212 Oakley Plantation Dr.

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: To keep the county roadways safe and beautiful.

Kimberly Chernomas

Phone: (843) 572-4400 ext 2383

Email: kchernomas@bcwsa.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Adopting a Highway for Berkeley County involves roadside cleanup, which occurs at a minimum of 4 times a year.

Training: Safety training for group leader.

Minimum Age: No age requirement, must be at least one adult supervising.

Requirements: None

BERKELEY COUNTY BLUEWAYS

223-B East Main St.

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: Our program offers 23 self-guided paddling trails with over 175 miles of trails on our lakes, rivers, and creeks in Berkeley County.

Archie Thompson

Phone: (843) 693-8842

Email: ilike2kayak@juno.com

Website: www.berkeleyblueways.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Seasonal cleaning of waterways.

Training: A brief orientation to the program is provided.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: None



BERKELEY COUNTY FAMILY YMCA

210 Rembert C Dennis Blvd.

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: Our mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy bodies, minds, and spirits for all.

Kimberly Nolte

Phone: (843) 761-6406

Email: kimberly@bymcasports.com

Website: www.berkeleycountyfamilyymca.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Painting, working with camp youth, coaching, routine cleaning, land maintenance, and day care.

Training: Orientation provided. Training is not required but is available.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Paint, lumber, ceiling tile, cleaning supplies, sports balls and equipment, services for landscaping, paving and roofing.

BERKELEY COUNTY

LIBRARY SYSTEM

1003 Hwy. 52

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: The Berkeley County Library System delivers community-driven library services and programs that create opportunities for personal enrichment, foster a love of reading and literacy, and provide a wide variety of resources for research and entertainment. In doing so, we manage our resources efficiently and effectively, and sustain alliances with like minded organizations and individuals in our service area.

Sharon Fashion

Phone: (843) 719-4223

Email: sharon@berkeley.lib.sc.us

Website: www.bcls.sc.gov

Volunteer Opportunities: Aid in implementing programs and services at a level not funded in the regular budget. Supplement the efforts of library staff in meeting the demands for quality library service.

Become knowledgeable about library services resources and needs. Enhance community engagement in the delivery of library services and resources. Volunteer opportunities are available at all six of our locations in the Berkeley County area.

Training: Orientation and training provided for all volunteers.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Books, videos, music and audio books.

BERKELEY COUNTY MUSEUM

950 Stony Landing Rd.

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: The Berkeley County Museum is operated to collect, preserve, research, exhibit and interpret Berkeley County's cultural and natural history. Its goal is to educate, promote and increase the appreciation and understanding of our common heritage by providing educational opportunities, historical perspective and recreational enjoyment for citizens and visitors alike.

Carolyn Pilgrim

Phone: (843) 899-5101

Email: berkemuseum@homesc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Carpentry, painting, general repairs.

Training: Brief orientation provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Paper towels, Windex.

BERKELEY COUNTY PAWS

PO Box 903

Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: Berkeley County PAWS is an organization made up of dedicated volunteers who promote spay and neuter; provide foster care and adoption for homeless animals; and provide resources and event to educate the public about responsible pet ownership.

Peggy Beason

Phone: (843) 207-7297

Email: berkeleycopaws@yahoo.com

Website: www.bcpaws.petfinder.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with fundraising and grant writing. Help with cats in the adoption center and assist with adoption events at PetSmart in Summerville. Pet foster homes needed. Volunteers needed to help with publicity and photography. Need assistance installing fence.

Training: Brief orientation is provided for all volunteers.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

Wish List: Dog and cat supplies - especially cat litter - collars, flea control, toys. Building materials for kennel runs and outdoor cat enclosure.



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BERKELEY COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD

202 Factory St.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: Dedicated to the rescue of lives and property of the citizens of Berkeley County and surrounding communities. Search and rescue for lost persons on land and in boats.

Bill Salisbury
Phone: (843) 719-4295
Email: wsalisbury@homesc.com
Website: www.berkcorescue.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers willing to be trained as rescue workers.

Training: CPR/First Aid and Rescue classes.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Laptop computer; SCUBA diving equipment; any equipment that might be used in rescue operations.



blankets, drinks (water, soda, tea). Gift cards, home delivered meal sponsorship due to large waiting list.

BEYOND OUR WALLS, INC.

PO Box 41224
Charleston, SC 29423

Mission: To support and energize parents of school children who are served by Title I (federally subsidized) public schools with below average gains in academic, behavior and social skills. B.O.W.s provides volunteer team of parents and neighbors who build relationships, conduct scheduled activities and sponsor events to enhance educational goals, lessen the dependence on government programs, help prevent community deterioration, and deter juvenile delinquency.

Joyce Nesmith
Phone: (843) 697-4040
Email: joycesmith@beyondourwalls.com
Website: www.beyondourwalls.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers will participate in scheduled team and individual activities, aligning with the volunteers' schedules. Activities include Boy & Girl Scouts sessions building on academic standards, character building and leadership skills. Volunteers can serve as guest speakers on various topics that outline their interests, life experiences and careers. B.O.W.s serves as the event planner for the activities.

Training: Volunteers will meet the Volunteer Coordinator at the school site for orientation and to submit proper ID and scanned for the School District background check. The volunteer will be trained on the program activities and given a handout with the policies.

Minimum Age: 18. Children ages 12+ can assist with program activities, especially on Saturdays.

Requirements: The School District has a background check process that all volunteers will be subjected to when they come for orientation.

Wish List: School supplies, awards, snacks, office supplies, books, new/used school uniform items, scouting materials.



BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

229 Main St.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: The mission of the Berkeley County School District is to be a learning community that assures all students maximize their learning potential, empowering them to be successful and productive citizens.

Amy Kovach
Phone: (843) 899-8553
Email: kovacha@berkeley.k12.sc.us
Website: www.berkeley.k12.sc.us

Volunteer Opportunities: Literacy initiatives: tutoring, mentoring, reading with students; administrative work; lunchroom assistance; chaperones for school functions, such as school dances and field trips.

Training: Training is available.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background checks required for specific opportunities.

Wish List: Copy paper, batteries, toner cartridges.



BERKELEY COUNTY WATER & SANITATION

12 Oakley Plantation Dr.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: To enhance the quality of life for our citizens while protecting our natural resources through the reliable and responsible delivery of clean drinking water and the proper disposal of the community's solid waste and wastewater.

Johanna Cooper
Phone: (843) 719-2693
Email: jcooper@bcwsa.com
Website: www.bcwsa.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers needed for scheduled annual cleanups (beachsweep, riversweep, Adopt-A-Highway, Francis Marion National Forest Cleanup).

Training: Brief orientation is provided to all volunteers.

Minimum Age: Varies, children must have adult supervision.

Requirements: None



BERKELEY SENIORS, INC.

103 Gullege St.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: To assist senior residents in Berkeley County to age successfully in their natural environment.

Tonya Sweatman
Phone: (843) 761-0390
Email: admin@berkeleyseniors.org
Website: www.berkeleyseniors.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with senior services, help within the centers, package meals, meal delivery, craft projects, reading activities.

Training: Orientation and training are provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Arts and crafts supplies, prizes for bingo,



BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF

CAROLINA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER
5055 Lackawanna Blvd.
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: To make a positive difference in the lives of children and youth, assisting them to achieve their highest potential as they grow to become confident, caring, and competent individuals. Big Brothers Big Sisters accomplishes this mission, primarily through professionally supported one-to-one relationships with caring adult volunteers. The vision is to serve all tricity area children who need and want a Big



Brother or Big Sister relationship through both community- and site-based programs. We believe all children deserve the opportunity to flourish and thrive and that mentoring offers an unsurpassed opportunity for their growth.

Mandy Scherer
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Website: www.becomeabig.org

Volunteer Opportunities: *Community-based program:*

Big and Littles plan community outings together based on mutual interests. They get together after work and school, on the weekends, at times that fit into everyone's schedule. *School-based program:* Bigs spend one hour a week with a child at a local school playing games, reading books, shooting some hoops on the playground, or participating in some other activity that the Big and the Little enjoy. It is all about taking time out to have fun with a child during the day.

Training: Training is provided prior to being matched with a child. Support and training are ongoing throughout the time that you are matched with a child.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Must be in good standing with the community, able to spend time weekly (flexible hours) for a minimum of one year.

BIRTHRIGHT OF CHARLESTON

1365-C Ashley River Rd.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born.

Amy Dixon
Phone: (843) 556-4403
Email: amydixon77@gmail.com
Website: www.birthright.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Meet with women who are in crisis pregnancy situations, provide information, conduct pregnancy tests, offer resources and counsel women to carry their babies to term. General administrative work, public speaking, newsletter production, organizing baby resource room, record keeping, and fundraising opportunities are available as well.

Training: Training is required and provided for new volunteers.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Diapers, baby wipes, and baby blankets.



BLISSFUL DREAMS

935 Blissful Ln.
Huger, SC 29450

Mission: Blissful Dreams is a horse farm where everyone is greeted with open arms and no one is judged for who they are or where they come from. Children, as well as adults, that feel they don't have a place in this world, are welcomed into building a special relationship with a special horse. Blissful Dreams provides an accepting environment that helps to develop friendships, build self-worth and establish purpose in each individual.

Jamie Kohler
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Email: jamiekohler1@aol.com
Website: www.blissfuldreams.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help care for the horses and the barn, such as cleaning stalls, paddocks, and water buckets. Meet and greet the families as they arrive at the farm. Our biggest need is during the school year when we have self-contained high school students from Wando High School and North Charleston High School. Help with walking next to the horses as they ride; socializing and interacting with the students as they wait their turn to ride.

Training: "Shadow" Blissful Dreams staff. We review safety procedures before each school.

Minimum Age: 10, depending on the maturity level of



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the individual. Younger volunteers can help with sweeping and cleaning. While we have the older volunteers help with more hands on with the rider. Requirements: Basic background check for each individual and may ask for references from other volunteer work or jobs.

Wish List: Horse treats; gift certificates from Cainhoy Feed & Seed (horse feed); tractor supplies; tools or Lowe's gift card; grass seed; fill dirt.

BON SECOURS
ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL
2095 Henry Tecklenburg Dr.
Charleston, SC 29414



Mission: Healing all people with compassion, faith and excellence.

Joan Perry
Phone: (843) 402-1156
Email: joan.perry@rsfh.com
Website: www.ropersaintfrancis.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Adult clerical work, golf cart driver, reception, patient transport, waiting room host/hostess, nursing, computer data entry. Training: Volunteer orientations are mandatory, scheduled as needed and include volunteer policies, safety, infection control, confidentiality and facility tour.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check and health screening.
Wish List: Recent magazines in good condition, knit/crochet newborn bonnets.

BOOK BUDDIES -
CHARLESTON VOLUNTEERS FOR LITERACY
548 Park Crossing St.
Daniel Island, SC 29492

Mission: We provide volunteer one-on-one tutoring services for some of the most needy children in Charleston County. Each child is seen twice a week and receives individualized lesson plans provided by a caring volunteer tutor.

Kecia Greenho
Phone: (508) 561-3537
Email: kmgreenho@aol.com
Website: www.charlestonliteracy.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer tutors, one- two times per week for one hour each session
Training: A Fall kick-off event is held each year to fill out necessary forms and provide basic information. Two formal training sessions are offered; one in the fall and one in the winter.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Criminal Background checks will be done by CVL.
Wish List: Gently used children's books, copy paper, and small rewards for the children.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,
COASTAL CAROLINA COUNCIL
1025 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29407



Mission: It is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America to prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Furthermore, it is the vision of the Coastal Carolina Council that every youth in the Lowcountry who desires to be a Scout have access to a quality Scouting program in their community.

Josh Hendrix
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Email: jhendrix@bsaemail.org
Website: www.coastalcarolinabsa.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Opportunities vary from training and administration to working with boys and young adults.
Training: Extensive training is conducted and provided by the Boy Scouts of America for all new volunteers.
Minimum Age: 21
Requirements: Adult application & background check.

Wish List: Camping equipment and old scout uniforms for under-served youth.

CalLEN-LACEY CENTER FOR CHILDREN
PO Box 1829
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: The Callen-Lacey Center for Children of Carolina Youth Development Center is the only emergency shelter in Berkeley County serving abused and neglected children ages 3 days to 17 years old.

Kendra Wilson
Phone: (843) 761-5360 x5
Email: kwilson@cydc.org
Website: www.cydc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentoring children; teaching cooking, sewing, and other life skills to the children; playing games outside and inside; art and music; pet therapy; reading to children; planning outings, etc. Handy work, office assistance and help with special events are also needed.
Training: Orientation is required.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background checks and TB tests are required for all volunteers who work on an individual basis with children.
Wish List: Gift certificates for youth-friendly activities; laundry/bathroom items; hygiene products; clothing; general household items; rolling suitcases.

CAMP HAPPY DAYS
1622 Ashley Hall Rd.
Charleston, SC 29407



Mission: Camp Happy Days' mission is to give many tomorrows, today to children diagnosed with cancer and their families by providing year-round programs special events, emotional support, and access to crisis resources. Our goal is to help these courageous children discover hope, self-esteem and the will to fight one more round.

Teresa Bishop
Phone: (843) 571-4336
Email: teresa@camphappydays.com
Website: www.camphappydays.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Office assistants, carpentry/maintenance, character acting, staff information booths, bakers, special event assistants, fundraising volunteers, life guards for camp, counselors for summer camp (20 years or older) program area help. Male volunteers are especially needed for Camp.

Training: Orientation for Camp.
Minimum Age: 20 for overnight programs; younger volunteers can help with day events with a group.
Requirements: A thorough FBI background check is required to participate in any over night programs.
Wish List: Disposable cameras, batteries, water toys, bottled water, flip flops, poster board, arts & craft supplies.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 3

Fact: In some area high schools, fewer than 50% of high school students graduate.
Fix: Mentors increase school relevance, bonding, attendance and achievement.
GO: Volunteer as a LUNCH BUDDY or MENTOR in a school near you.

CANNON STREET YMCA
61 Cannon St.
Charleston, SC 29403



Mission: For youth development for healthy living for social responsibility. The purpose of the YMCA of Greater Charleston is to improve the lives of all in the

Greater Charleston area by connecting individuals, families and communities with opportunities based on Christian Values that strengthen Spirit, Mind and Body.

Myra Chamble
Phone: (843) 577-9622
Email: myrachamble@bellsouth.net
Website: www.ymcagc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers work with children and youth.
Training: General orientation.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check cost \$7.
Wish List: School supplies, board games, indoor and outdoor activity games.

CAPE ROMAIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
5801 Hwy. 17 N.
Awendaw, SC 29429

Mission: We work with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

Patricia Lynch
Phone: (843) 928-3368
Email: patricia_lynch@fws.gov
Website: www.fws.gov/caperomain

Volunteer Opportunities: Teaching environmental education programs to youth in both indoor and outdoor settings; providing administrative office assistance; maintaining visitor center grounds and facilities; staffing the information/reception desk at the visitor center.

Training: Volunteers will undergo on-the-job training.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Volunteers must have a valid driver's license. Volunteers must have the physical ability to walk, stand and sit for extended periods of time.

CAROLINA CHILDREN'S CHARITY
1064 Gardner Rd., Ste. 112B
Charleston, SC 29407



Mission: Carolina Children's Charity fights the effects of birth defects and diseases for Lowcountry children. We bridge the gap between what insurance covers or doesn't cover enough of.

Sonya Beale
Phone: (843) 769-7555
Email: sbeale@carolinachildren.org
Website: www.carolinachildren.org

Volunteer Opportunities: 3 major fundraisers - telethon in the spring, 8k run/2 mile fun walk in the fall, corn hole tournament in the fall. Volunteer opportunities are available for all these events. Carolina Children's Charities is looking for a responsible and reliable person to be our mascot who attends all major and minor fundraisers (special training required).

Training: Depending on duty.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Vary with opportunity.
Wish List: Red card stock paper, bottled water, Gatorade, construction paper.

CAROLINA HOSPICE CARE
410 Mill St., Ste. 401
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464



Mission: Carolina Hospice Care's Mission is to ensure quality of life for our terminally ill patients and to provide the support their loved ones need. Our vision is to provide comfort care, compassion and dignity for patients and their families when experiencing a life ending illness. We treat all people with respect and we acknowledge and embrace all religious, ethnic, and cultural diversities.

Justine Tedrick
Phone: (843) 849-5910
Email: justine@carolinahospicecare.com
Website: www.carolinahospicecare.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers help with patient/family support (companionship, Legacy of Life program, etc.), administrative support, bereavement

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support, public relations, special events and projects.
 Training: Training is provided.
 Minimum Age: 18
 Requirements: Background check.
 Wish List: Generator, air conditioners/fans, heaters, books on tape, CD players are needed for indigent clients.

CAROLINA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER
 5055 Lackawanna Blvd.
 N. Charleston, SC 29405



Mission: To assist children in reaching their full potential as healthy and well-adjusted individuals by delivering a continuum of prevention, assessment, intervention, and treatment services. Programs and services will be delivered in a safe and nurturing setting where children and their families are provided with the best possible environment for healing from abuse, neglect, abandonment and/or emotional disturbances. CYDC has been caring for children since 1790, serving the Lowcountry and coastal South Carolina.

Sandy Jackson or Amy Ware
 Phone: (843) 266-5211 or (843) 266-5218
 Email: sjackson@cydc.org or aware@cydc.org
 Website: www.cydc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Homework helpers, administrative volunteers, landscaping and facilities maintenance projects for groups, assist with special events.

Training: Orientation for all; training is specific to task.
 Minimum Age: 18 for on-campus volunteers. Younger volunteers can help off campus by doing supply drives or fundraisers.

Requirements: Many volunteer opportunities within CYDC require a full background check and TB test. Group volunteer activities, however, do not.
 Wish List: 16-passenger van, copy paper, copier toner, OTC meds and hygiene supplies, gas cards, paper goods (toilet paper/ paper towels), school uniforms (teens), socks & underwear (teens).

CARTER-MAY HOME/ ST. JOSEPH RESIDENCE
 1660 Ingram Rd.
 Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: The mission of Carter-May Home/St. Joseph Residence is to provide compassionate care and assistance that seeks to meet the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual needs of our seniors.

Janine Bauder
 Phone: (843) 556-8314
 Email: janine@catholic-doc.org
 Website: www.supportcatholiccharities.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Field trip assistance, craft class, BINGO, sharing a musical talent, bridge, one-on-one visits, outdoor walking group, gardening, landscaping, bible study, and cooking classes.

Training: The Activities Director reviews Resident's Rights and Confidentiality. She also works along with the volunteer for 2-3 sessions with the residents.

Minimum Age: 16
 Requirements: Background screening is required for volunteers who have direct contact with residents.
 Wish List: BINGO prizes, seasonal plants, yarn, copy paper, craft items, artificial flowers, floral tape.

THE CENTER FOR BIRDS OF PREY
 PO Box 1247
 Charleston, SC 29402



Mission: Providing medical treatment for injured birds of prey, presenting educational programs to school and community organizations, participating in research, and field study initiatives.

Laura Buchta
 Phone: (843) 971-7474
 Email: ljbuchta@aol.com
 Website: www.thecenterforbirdsofprey.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Medical care of injured birds

of prey, public education, transportation (statewide volunteers needed), construction/maintenance, upkeep of grounds.
 Training: Whether working with wild injured birds of prey in the clinics or with resident birds in the education program, extensive training and experience is critical.

Minimum Age: 16
 Requirements: None
 Wish List: Airline mileage, office supplies, vet supplies, hospital supplies-latex gloves.

CENTER FOR WOMEN

129 Cannon St.
 Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The only comprehensive women's development center in South Carolina, the Center for Women (C4W) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization whose mission is to make personal and professional success an everyday event for women in the Lowcountry.

Jennet Alterman
 Phone: (843) 763-7333
 Email: info@c4women.org
 Website: www.c4women.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with special events throughout the year (e.g. It's in the Bag purse auction fundraiser)

Training: Orientation is provided prior to event.

Minimum Age: 18
 Requirements: None
 Wish List: Cellphones.



CHAMBER MUSIC CHARLESTON

PO Box 80072,
 Charleston, SC 29416

Mission: Chamber Music Charleston is a non profit performing arts organization dedicated to developing the audience for classical music through chamber music concerts and educational performances of high artistic quality by musicians of the Lowcountry.

Sandra Nikolajevs
 Phone: (843) 763-4941
 Email: sandra@chambermusiccharleston.org
 Website: www.ChamberMusicCharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Ushering at performances
 Training: Limited training, generally one hour before the performance.

Minimum Age: 13
 Requirements: Good customer service skills, friendly and professional appearance.

CHARLES TOWNE LANDING

STATE HISTORIC SITE
 1500 Old Towne Rd.
 Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: The mission is to protect, preserve and interpret the first permanent European settlement in the Carolinas, to interpret the significant cultural and natural resources, and to promote stewardship



through educational programs and services that focus on the period from 1670-1680.

Rob Powell
 Phone: (843) 852-4200
 Email: rpowell@scprpt.com
 Website: www.charlestownelanding.travel

Volunteer Opportunities: Working on grounds, animal forest, interpretation (e.g., living history), visitor information, archeology and assisting with school programs.

Training: An orientation is provided the first Saturday of every month. Depending on particular area, training provided by staff.

Minimum Age: 18
 Requirements: Background check is required.

CHARLES WEBB CENTER

1611 Evergreen St.
 Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: The Mission of the Charles Webb Center is to aid in each child's growth and development through an educational program, to develop each child's self esteem and to strengthen each child's social, language and preschool skills.

Evelyn Turner
 Phone: (843) 852-5545
 Email: eturner@dsncc.com
 Website: dsncc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assisting children ages 6 wks to 10 years old who have developmental disabilities and special needs in the classroom, on the playground and during lunch. Activities include reading to the children, assisting with circle time, helping with meals and snacks. Assistance is also needed during field trips. Administrative support such as answering the phones, greeting parents, therapists and guests, filing, shredding and copying.

Training: Agency orientation is required. Training scheduling is flexible.

Minimum Age: 18
 Requirements: DSS background check, a SLED report and fingerprinting.

Wish List: New age appropriate toys such as books, puzzles, playground toys, games, diapers, wipes, bottles, sippy cups, arts and craft supplies, administrative supplies.

CHARLESTON ANIMAL PROTECTION

415A Riverland Dr.
 Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: To eliminate animal suffering through education and advocacy, and by working within the legislative process for better protections for ALL animals. We have local volunteer opportunities with local, regional, and national organizations: Charleston Veggies & Vegans, Farm Sanctuary, local sanctuaries/rescues, Vegan Outreach, Stop Animal Exploitation Now, PETA, Mercy for Animals, HSUS - South Carolina, et al.

Elaine Hursen
 Phone: (703) 943-6490
 Email: charlestonveg@gmail.com
 Website: www.facebook.com/groups/chasveggies

Volunteer Opportunities: Attend monthly events (leafleting, potlucks), assist with annual fundraiser (October), communicate with legislators, volunteer at animal sanctuaries.

Training: Workshops as scheduled. Other training provided if needed.

Minimum Age: 15 with a parent signature.

Requirements: None
 Wish List: Event-specific in-kind donations (food, sign materials, etc.), supplies for local rescues and advocacy orgs.

THE CHARLESTON ANIMAL SOCIETY

2455 Remount Rd.
 N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The primary mission of the Charleston Animal Society is to promote responsible guardianship of

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domestic animals and advocate the compassionate treatment of all animals.

Courtney Gumieny
Phone: (843) 329-1577
Email: cgumieny@charlestonanimalsociety.org
Website: www.charlestonanimalsociety.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Animal assistance and cleaning, foster care, groom and walk animals, distribution of literature, assistance with mailings, computer programming including update of web site. **Volunteers needed to prepare and staff special events.** **Training:** Orientation required of all volunteers (dates available online). **Minimum Age:** 18; if under 18, must be attended by parent or guardian. **Requirements:** None. **Wish List:** Food for puppies (Pedigree) and kittens (Purina), cat litter; office supplies; gift cards to purchase animal supplies; toys and treats. Call to confirm donations.

CHARLESTON AREA CHILDREN'S GARDEN PROJECT

Gadsden Green Housing Authority Line & Haygood St. Near Citadel Stadium
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: The Charleston Area Children's Garden Project's mission is to decrease childhood hunger, obesity, and diabetes in the Charleston area; to increase the knowledge and implementation of nutrition, wellness, and exercise in youth of the Charleston area; to increase awareness of human impact on the environmental community; and to reinforce academic knowledge and understanding in math and earth science.

Holly Seigler
Phone: (843) 478-3748
Email: cgp.volunteering@gmail.com
Website: http://childrensgardenproject.org/

Volunteer Opportunities: Working with and mentoring students in school gardens (building, planting, harvesting, cooking); modeling positive behaviors and healthy choices; helping with recipe preparation; special events or garden "DIG IN's"; moving raised beds or compost from one site to another; assisting teachers of a 'sustainable' school on garden days (w/o help of CACGP), office maintenance. **Training:** On-site in-service; shadowing CACGP Director.

Minimum Age: Junior in high school; younger volunteers must be accompanied by an adult. **Requirements:** All volunteers working with students must submit name and birth date prior to volunteering to CACGP volunteer coordinator for background check through CCSD 'RAPTOR' data base. Must also check in at school front office. No background check required for volunteers not working with children.

Wish List: Picnic tables, large shade umbrellas; fish emulsion/meal; watering cans; children size garden gloves; wheelbarrows; miracle grow, mushroom compost, chicken manure.

CHARLESTON AREA SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES

259 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29501

Mission: Enhancing the lives of older adults in the community.

Yvonne Cooper
Phone: (843) 722-4127
Email: yvonnec@charlestonareaseniors.com
Website: www.charlestonareaseniors.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Packing meals, clerical help, activities with seniors.

Training: Orientation is provided.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

Wish List: Ensure, Depends, food, blankets.

CHARLESTON AREA THERAPEUTIC RIDING, INC.
2669 Hamilton Rd. (PO Box 146)
John's Island, SC 29457



Mission: Charleston Area Therapeutic Riding improves the lives of children and adults with disabilities at the area's oldest nationally accredited therapeutic horseback riding center.

Dee Partridge
Phone: (843) 559-6040
Email: admin@catrfarms.org
Website: www.catrfarms.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Leading the horse during the lesson and side walking alongside the horse assisting the student and instructor during the lesson. **Training:** Two-hour Volunteer Orientation for volunteers who will work with our students. **Volunteers also spend time in the ring practicing with one of our horses.**

Minimum Age: 12 for Jr. Volunteers; 15 for any volunteers who will work with the students. **Requirements:** Volunteer paperwork is renewed annually.

CHARLESTON BALLET THEATER

217 Calhoun St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: South Carolina's world class dance company, bringing professional dance to the Lowcountry, and educating children and adults in dance arts.

Kyle Barnette
Phone: (843) 723-7334
Email: boxoffice@charlestonballet.org
Website: www.charlestonballet.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Ushering at performances, administrative help, committee assistance, hosting special events and sales for Nutcracker Boutique.

Training: Varies with activity.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Televisions, laptops, lighting instruments, copy machine, risers, projector, projector screen, sponsorship for productions.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 4

Physicians are being recruited by Charleston Medical Society to support wellness committees in Charleston County Schools.

CHARLESTON COUNTY FIRST STEPS

6296 Rivers Ave., Ste. 308

N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Getting children ready for school from birth to Kindergarten.

James Ella Collins
Phone: (843) 745-0237
Email: jecollins@charlestonfirststeps.org
Website: www.charlestonfirststeps.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assistance at special events. **Training:** Orientation based on the volunteer need and activity.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Age-appropriate books (in good condition).

CHARLESTON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

1069 King St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The mission is to serve economically disadvantaged residents of Charleston, Dorchester and Berkeley Counties by increasing self-sufficiency and developing strategies to promote economic independence through partnership.

Chelsi Howard
Phone: (843) 724-6760 ext. 235
Email: choward@cchscom.com
Website: www.cchscom.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Answering the phones, screening calls for program eligibility, request and receive client information, clerical work, conduct surveys, camp counselors, poverty simulations.

Training: Training as needed.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Depending on the opportunity, volunteers may require a SLED check.

Wish List: Office furniture, diapers, canned foods, toiletries/feminine hygiene products, clothes/coats, educational games, gas cards/CARTA cards.

CHARLESTON COUNTY PARK & RECREATION

861 Riverland Dr.

Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: The Charleston County Park & Recreation Commission will improve the quality of life in Charleston County by offering a diverse system of park facilities, recreation programs and services.

Erin Guerrero
Phone: (843) 762-8053
Email: eguerrero@ccprc.com
Website: www.ccprc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with festivals, company picnics, outdoor recreation, environmental education, special events, park operations, beach sweeps, maintenance, marketing, mascots.

Training: Orientation provided; training depends on opportunity.

Minimum Age: 13

Requirements: None

CHARLESTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

68 Calhoun St.

Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The Charleston County Public Library serves the informational, education, cultural and recreational needs of all Charleston County residents by providing access to books, periodicals, computers, educational programming and more.

Susan Bednar
Phone: (843) 805-6801
Email: bednars@ccpl.org
Website: www.ccpl.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist visitors with computers, printers and internet; sorting, coding and organizing books and other materials; mark out stamps and remove RFID tags from discarded materials; library greeter to give basic information and guide visitors; orient new patrons with a library tour/overview and self-checkout; self checkout (specialist); identify books requiring mending; assist with setup, decorate, and clean up for special events and displays; prepare crafts for regular programs; cut out patterns used for story time crafts; shelf read; locate items on send item list, missing and/or in transit lists; assist with dusty book report/weeding of the collection; assist with children's programs. For current opportunities at specific locations, visit www.ccpl.org.

Training: Training varies with opportunity.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Volunteers must sign the CCPL Code of Ethics.

CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

75 Calhoun St.

Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: CCSD's mission is with high expectations, proper supports, and effective teaching, all students will graduate from high school prepared to succeed in college and the 21st Century workforce. There are three core goals: Elevate the Achievement of all



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Students, Close the Achievement Gap Between Groups of Students and Increase the Graduation Rate.

Clara Heinsohn
Phone: (843) 937-6506
Email: clara_heinsohn@charleston.k12.sc.us
Website: www.ccsdschools.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with literacy initiatives: book buddies at Mary Ford Elementary, Mitchell Elementary, Memminger Elementary, James Simons, Sanders Clyde Elementary and Burns Elementary. Media Specialist assistants, mentors, athletics coaches, Yoga Benefits for Kids, registered nurses and dentists.

Training: Training is provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: All volunteers must bring a state-issued I.D. for a background check.

Wish List: School supplies, art supplies, computers, musical instruments, books, gently used clothing, plants for service-learning.

CHARLESTON DORCHESTER MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
2100 Charlie Hall Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission: The SC Dept. of Mental Health gives priority to adults, children, and their families affected by serious mental illness and significant emotional disorders. We are committed to eliminating stigma and promoting the philosophy of recovery, to achieving our goals in collaboration with all stakeholders, and to assuring the highest quality of culturally competent services possible.

Sherri Dangerfield
Phone: (843) 225-3850
Email: sod39@scdmh.org
Website: cdcmh.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative opportunities and educational services and activities (literacy, computer training, etc.)

Training: Orientation and training are provided as needed.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Depending upon volunteer opportunity.

Wish List: During the holidays, we accept gifts for children and adults.

CHARLESTON FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
68 Calhoun St.
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: The Charleston Friends of the Library is a nonprofit organization that supports and advocates for the Charleston County Public Library system. We raise money to fund more than 4,000 programs sponsored annually by the library, including Summer Reading. To accomplish our goal of advocating for and enhancing the library system, we provide opportunities for the community to invest in their public library through donations of time, money, and books.

Emily Everett
Phone: (843) 805-6882
Email: director@charlestonlibraryfriends.org
Website: http://www.charlestonlibraryfriends.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with Book Sale planning: logistics, set up, volunteer recruitment & management. Assist in marketing & publicity or event planning. Administrative help: processing memberships & other office work. Book sorters to help classify and shelve books. Instructors to teach programs like resume-writing, computer skills, etc.

Training: Each volunteer position receives its own training. We offer this in groups as the need arises.

Minimum Age: 15

Requirements: All volunteers are asked to adhere to the Charleston Friends of the Library Code of Conduct found on our website under the tab 'Volunteer.'

Wish List: Books, time, bottled water, snacks, advertising, volunteer gifts, printer paper, ink.

CHARLESTON MARATHON
3005 West Montague Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29418

Mission: Charleston Marathon benefits the Youth Endowment for the Arts (YEA) whose mission is to sponsor equitable, quality cultural arts experiences to Charleston area children through grants for programming and equipment needs at Charleston County Schools.

Elaine Hursen
Phone: (703) 943-6490
Email: volunteers@charlestonmarathon.com
Website: www.charlestonmarathon.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Pre-race guerilla marketing and promotions: pre-race set-up and packet stuffing, Health and Fitness Expo (Friday before the event); race day and bike day course support.

Training: Orientation and training provided.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

CHARLESTON MEDICAL SOCIETY
198 Rutledge Ave., #7
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: Charleston County Medical Society has evolved from a society to organize physicians for scientific and professional purposes to an organization called upon to lead the community in health related issues. The mission of the Charleston County Medical Society will be to serve the needs of the entire medical community, patients who depend upon care rendered by member physicians and organizations, hospital systems, and allied health resources, which strengthen the physician/patient relationship.

Kaye Wallen
Phone: (843) 577-3613
Email: kaye@charlestonmedicalsociety.org
Website: charlestonmedicalsociety.org

Volunteer Opportunities: School-based opportunities available for "Docs Adopt" program: Physicians choose a Charleston County school and adopt the school's wellness committee. Does not require on-site participation in all committee events, but physicians serve as a resource for school personnel by phone, or in-person meetings on mutually agreed schedule. Interns welcome to volunteer.

Training: Group training scheduled periodically; one on one as needed.

Minimum Age to Volunteer: 18

Requirements: Medically trained professionals.

Background checks may be required.



CHARLESTON MIRACLE LEAGUE
780 West Oak Forest Dr.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: The mission of the Charleston Miracle League (CML) is to provide accessible recreational opportunities to all children and adults with mental and/or physical challenges so they can participate firsthand, as team members, in an organized baseball league.



Channing Proctor
Phone: (843) 478-1634
Email: MiracleLeagueED@gmail.com
Website: CharlestonMiracleLeague.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Coaches, buddies, fans, announcers.

Training: Short orientation provided.

Minimum Age: 10

Requirements: Background checks for coaches.

Wish List: Gloves, baseball bats.

CHARLESTON MOVES
PO Box 21625
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: Charleston Moves advocates a balanced approach to transportation and alternatives to automobile travel. It works for healthier, greener, vibrant neighborhoods by supporting policies and physical infrastructure (sidewalks, bike paths and bike lanes) that allow people to make short trips by bike or on foot. Charleston Moves chief goal is to complete the Battery2 Beach Route, 32 miles of safe bicycling and walking between Isle of Palms and Folly Beach via downtown Charleston.

Tom Bradford
Phone: (843) 608-0303
Email: tom@tombradford.net
Website: www.charlestonmoves.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Staffing information tables at public events; marshalling and patrolling bicycle ride events; social media assistance (could be remote opportunity).

Training: Orientation is provided.

Minimum Age: 12

Requirements: None

CHARLESTON PEACE ONE DAY
PO Box 21892
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: Charleston Peace One Day is devoted to creating more peaceful communities through educational programs and community activities that teach children and adults how to use non-violent conflict resolution tactics in order to solve conflicts in their everyday life. We believe in changing the paradigm from a society of violence to one of peace. We have the following core values: Unbiased and independent of any political or religious group. Promote intercultural cooperation by highlighting and bringing different cultures together. Promote and highlight other organizations and business working toward peace. Education is paramount for cultural change.

Reba Parker
Phone: (843) 437-3280
Email: rebaparker@bellsouth.net
Website: www.bepeaceful.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with all aspects of the Annual Charleston Peace One Day Festival. Help year round with events such as WALK Galley Art Installations, Pieces for Peace Silent Art Auction, Children and Adult Education Programs.

Training: Training and orientation are provided.

Minimum Age: 15

Requirements: None

Wish List: Solar panel power; 10 x 10 white tents (need at least 20); printing; ad spots; 8-10 walkie talkies; golf cart or electric car for transporting volunteers throughout the day; shuttle service during events; tables and chairs.

CHARLESTON PORT & SEAFARERS' SOCIETY
126 Coming St.
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29403

Mission: The Charleston Port and Seafarers' Society exists for the purpose of welcoming and serving the needs of those men and women who make their livelihood in the port or at sea, without regard for nationality, race, ethnicity, politics or religion.

Sue Hinkle

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Phone: (843) 200-9745
Email: chapssmail@gmail.com
Website: Charlestonseafarers.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Provide telephone, internet, and transportation services, as well as shipboard visitations, individual counseling and liturgical rites for the officers and crews of containerships calling at the port of Charleston.

Training: On the job training by Chaplain Len Williams and/or a seasoned volunteer. On-line SCSPA safety training required for TWIC card application.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: All volunteers are required to obtain a TWIC from the South Carolina State Ports Authority. **Wish List:** National Geographic Magazines, breakfast items for ChaPSS breakfast once a month, current devotionals, like-new bibles.

CHARLESTON PROMISE NEIGHBORHOOD

975 Morrison Dr., C-1
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The Charleston Promise Neighborhood (CPN) is focused on providing a seamless system of integrated services designed to ensure that by 2016, all four CPN elementary schools (Chicora, James Simons, Mary Ford, and Sanders-Clyde) will be among the best in Charleston County, and will be models for other schools in the County which desire to dramatically and rapidly improve educational achievement for the children they serve.

Amanda Coté
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Website: www.charlestonpromise.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Health Clinic Volunteers: Assist in the school based clinic during the medical clinic hours each week (2 hours) and dental van days each month. Help the school nurse plan classroom activities like hand-washing demos, proper hygiene, nutrition, etc. **College Chats:** College educated professionals and other role models are invited to be included in a College Resource Directory as guest speakers for young children as they are just beginning to think about their future plans.

Training: Most volunteer opportunities are in the schools as volunteers, and are trained in house by CPN staff or strategic volunteers.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Any school-based volunteers are required to have a background check at the school. **Wish List:** School supplies.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF THE LOWCOUNTRY

25 Ann St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: To spark a love of learning in all children of the tri-county area through interactive, interdisciplinary, hands-on environments and experiences with the arts, sciences and humanities while fostering creative thinking, problem solving skills and each child's belief in his/her own potential.

Robin Berlinsky
Phone: (843) 853-8962, ext. 208
Email: robin@explorecml.org
Website: www.explorecml.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Participate in team activities, community events, drills and training others.

Training: Volunteers are trained according to area of interest. Safety training and policies for working with children also provided.

Minimum Age: 12

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Art supplies including paint, paper, and brushes, recycled goods and fabric.

CHOICES WOMEN'S CENTER

821 Kenyon St.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: To empower women and families to make positive changes every day.

Edith Miller
Phone: (843) 693-4928
Email: edithc48@bellsouth.net
Website: choiceswomenscenter.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Workshop facilitators, assist with special events, general assistance with painting and landscaping.

Training: Overview about the agency will be given to all volunteers. A training session for volunteers will be given the day of the volunteer event.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

Wish List: Computers, office space, food for monthly senior project.

CHRISTMAS COMMANDOS

The Shoppes At Brickyard
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466

Mission: Christmas Commandos is an all volunteer non-profit organization that changes a Christmas morning for a child that has experienced the loss of a parent due to death in the past year. On Christmas morning these very special children will awake to find a full Christmas hanging from a tree in their front yard from this anonymous band of covert Christmas Commandos. The organization receives names from various agencies such as guidance counselors to Hospice. After midnight under the cover of darkness they are protected by the police. Commandos is in its 14th year covering all 3 counties with covert kindness.

Stacy Dalton Hamburger
Phone: (843) 216-8325
Email: Commandocontact@aol.com
Website: www.ChristmasCommandos.org



Volunteer Opportunities: Wrapping gifts, toy pick ups, coordinating volunteers, help with events, administrative, graphics, going out on Christmas Eve on a delivery team.

Training: For Christmas Eve team commandos, orientation is December 19th or 20th at 6pm. To wrap or any other help please email commandogives@aol.com

Minimum Age: No minimum age for wrapping and general volunteering; 23 for Midnight Christmas Commandos.

Requirements: Visit www.christmascommandos.org to download a volunteer sheet.

Wish List: New unwrapped toys for ages 1-16 boys or girls, wrapping paper, tape, printer cartridges.

THE CITADEL MENTOR ASSOCIATION

171 Moultrie St.
Charleston, SC 29464

Mission: The Citadel Mentor Association's mission is to coach students to become ethical leaders of principle to serve others and to pursue lofty personal

goals in business, the military, the professions, non profit organizations, and public service.

Elisha Meggett
Phone: (843) 953-5056
Email: elisha.meggett@citadel.edu
Website: www.citadel.edu/csba/mentorassociation

Volunteer Opportunities: Serve as mentors to Citadel students who have a desire to participate based on either a personal recommendation or by researching and applying to the program. Mentees are then matched with mentor executives based on common interests and/or an intended career paths. The relationship between the student and the mentor is then allowed to develop naturally.

Training: Orientation program for new mentors; opportunities throughout the academic year to enhance the mentor/mentee relationships as well as create a stronger sense of community.

Minimum Age: 30

Requirements: 10 to 15 years experience in their career, with significant work experience at various organizational levels. Successful in their field, with a worldly view of what it takes to be successful.

CITY OF CHARLESTON DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION

823 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: Provides various recreational activities to residents and nonresidents of the city of Charleston. Activities include swimming, tennis, youth sports, therapeutic recreation, gymnastics, karate, senior programs, homework help, aerobics, etc.

Heath Brunson
Phone: (843) 724-3747
Email: brunsonh@charleston-sc.gov
Website: www.charleston-sc.gov

Volunteer Opportunities: Coaches, day camp workers, lifeguards and assisting with activities and other opportunities.

Training: Orientation provided for all volunteers. Other training available, as needed.

Minimum Age: 15

Requirements: Background checks required for all volunteers.

Wish List: Athletic equipment (new or used), sponsorships, school supplies for inner city participants.

CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON CULTURAL ARTS

2500 City Hall Ln.
N Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The Cultural Arts Department of the City of North Charleston provides multi-discipline arts programming that reaches the community through a variety of programs and services in four categories: general public, outreach, artist assistance, economic development, and city history. As a unit of city government the Cultural Arts Dept. works to make North Charleston a more appealing place to live, work, and play.

Ann Simmons
Phone: (843) 740-5848
Email: asimmons@northcharleston.org
Website: www.northcharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assistance with mailings, distribution of promotional materials, monitoring exhibits, and staffing events. **North Charleston Arts Festival Volunteer Opportunities:** Distribution of Arts Festival posters and postcards; assistance with the receipt, hanging/display, and pick-up of entries for the Juried Art, Photography, Youth Art, and SC Palmetto Hands Fine Craft Exhibits; helping with Main Event set-up at the North Charleston Performing Arts and Charleston Area Convention Center Complex; staffing Main Event information booths and monitoring Main Event exhibitions and activities, such as Creations Stations and Box City; staffing a variety of Individual Events throughout the Festival Week, including the Art Walk, Street Dance Block Parties, and Grand Finale. **Training:** Brief orientation is provided to all volunteers.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None

CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON
RECREATION DEPARTMENT
PO Box 190016

N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: To provide the citizens of North Charleston with safe parks, playgrounds, and athletic fields that will enhance their ability to relax, play and compete.

Trish Elsie
Phone: (843) 740-5807
Email: telsie@northcharleston.org
Website: www.northcharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with Athletics, Children's Programs, Senior Activities, Community Gardens, Facility and Parks Beautification.
Training: Volunteers will be contacted and directed by individual facility site supervisors or program directors. Training is in accordance with each project.
Minimum Age: All ages. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
Requirements: City of North Charleston Police Department background check.
Wish List: Arts and craft supplies, games, sports equipment, gardening supplies and tools, plants.

COASTAL CATHOLIC CHARITIES
3921 St. John's Ave.

N.Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charleston strives to continue the ministry of Jesus to those who are poor, through example and collaborative effort by providing quality services, advocating for justice, and calling the entire Church and all people to do the same.

Helen O'Leary
Phone: (843) 308-9361
Email: holeary@catholic-doc.org
Website: www.supportcatholiccharities.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Case management opportunities: advocate for clients requesting services, making an assessment of the client's needs. Provide assistance through the agency when possible or refer them to resources that will meet or satisfy those needs.
Training: General orientation to facility & procedures. New volunteers "shadow" experienced staff.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: SLED check and "VIRTUS" training required by the Catholic Diocese of Charleston.
Wish List: Two-four draw file cabinets with locks letter size or legal size; two 2-drawer cabinets with locks-letter size or legal size; three lap tops; one desk top computer; stationary; manilla folders legal and letter size, and photo copying paper.

COASTAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

635 Rutledge Ave., Ste. 201

Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: Coastal Community Foundation is a public grantmaking foundation that fosters philanthropy for the lasting good of the community.

Angel Johnson-Brebner
Phone: (843) 723-3635 ext. 100
Email: angel@coastalcommunityfoundation.org
Website: www.coastalcommunityfoundation.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative assistance, composing grants summaries, archiving and special projects.

Training: Specific to volunteer project.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None

COASTAL CRISIS CHAPLAINCY
PO Box 21833

Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: The Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy brings a unique "Ministry of Presence" to those who are suffering at a time of crisis in their lives. Whether the time of need is

brought by crime, death, an accident, or a missing loved one, the Chaplains bring their comforting prayers, helping hands, listening ears, and the connection to resources and information to families during times of severe crisis.

Shannon Vaughn
Phone: (843) 724-1212
Email: administrator@coastalcrisischaplain.org
Website: www.coastalcrisischaplain.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Office help, fundraising events, Survivor Follow Up team, and Chaplains. Ordained Clergy and lay people should also contact the office for information on becoming a volunteer Chaplain or a member of the Survivor Follow Up team. Please contact the office -- there are different opportunities to volunteer each month.
Training: Minimal training required depending on specific event.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Volunteer Chaplains must be ordained Clergy and complete the Chaplaincy's Chaplain-In-Training program.



COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF
DORCHESTER COUNTY
c/o Dorchester District 2

102 Greenwave Blvd.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: The mission of Communities in School of Dorchester County is to surround students with a community of support empowering them to stay in school and to achieve in life.

Deborah Smith
Phone: (843) 830-3996
Email: deb.smith@cisdorchester.org
Website: www.cisdorchester.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentor a child (grades 6-8); tutor a child; speak to children about careers, activities, and hobbies. Assist with school projects and events.

Training: Volunteers are given an orientation to the program at the particular school and are provided guidance by the program director and site coordinators.
Minimum Age: 21; 18 For College Interns With Faculty Sponsorship.
Requirements: Background checks may be required for those wishing to work one-on-one with students, but not for making presentations.
Wish List: School supplies.

COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF THE
CHARLESTON AREA, INC.
1090 E. Montague Ave.,
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Communities In Schools of the Charleston Area, Inc. (CIS), is a nonprofit organization dedicated to reducing the drop-out rate in Charleston and Berkeley County. The mission of CIS is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Jennifer Paulsen
Phone: (843) 740-6793
Email: jpaulsen@cischarleston.org
Website: www.cischarleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutor and/or mentor at all school levels: elementary, middle or high school. Generally, this requires meeting with a student one hour per week throughout the school year on school grounds. If you believe that you have a skill that would benefit our students, but doesn't fall directly into the mentoring or tutoring realm, please let us know about it.

Training: Volunteers receive a one-hour training and orientation from the Student Support Specialist at the school in which they'll work.
Minimum Age: Generally, we ask that our volunteers have graduated from high school, although there may be opportunities of high schoolers to tutor elementary school students.
Requirements: All volunteers are subject to screening through local, state and national background checks.
Wish List: Book bags, black and white notebooks, school uniforms (belts, pants, polo shirts), Kleenex, hand sanitizer, copy paper.

THE COMMUNITY CENTER OF ST. MATTHEW'S
405 King St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: The Community Center strives to reduce poverty by encouraging self-reliance through job and life skills training, technology instruction and English Language acquisition.

Chris Keene
Phone: (843) 579-0420 ext 132
Email: ckeene@smlccharleston.org
Website: www.connectinghands.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Center offers a variety of literacy programs including after school for children in grades K-5th, ESL for adults, computer training and health informational short courses for adults, summer reading program for kids grades K-6. Volunteers also help with emergency food pantry and with special projects including Christmas bags for the elderly, the Cinderella Project in March and the afternoon tea fundraiser during Spoleto.

Training: Required and opportunity-specific.
Minimum Age: 16; volunteers have to be at least ten years older than the children you work with.
Requirements: The Community Center will provide a local SLED check for all volunteers. Darkness to Light training is required for volunteers who work with children.
Wish List: Canned foods for food pantry; used computers for families who complete the computer classes; prom-appropriate formal gowns and accessories for the Cinderella project in March.

THE COMPANY COMPANY
307 Tall Oak Ave.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: The Company Company desires to re-imagine musical theatre wherever people gather. We are dedicated to producing musical and theatrical events that promote personal transformation and benefit the common good.

Bill Schlitt
Phone: (843) 670-5634
Email: wns@thecompanycompany.com
Website: www.thecompanycompany.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Ushers, box office, cast and crew, office help, fundraising and events.
Training: Training is provided.
Minimum Age: 14; younger depending on the opportunity.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Requirements: None
Wish List: Office supplies and construction supplies.

CONNECTIONS AND YOU, INC.
PO Box 51585
Summerville, SC 29485
Mission: Connections and You, Inc is a youth guidance organization that is dedicated to promoting the educational, vocational, social, and character development of young boys and girls. The program assists in connecting children to their identities, to their families, to society and ultimately to God. Connections and You, Inc is very intentional in identifying and pulling out each child's potential by cultivating and building positive character within them.

Ricardo Perry
Phone: (843) 810-8268
Email: rperry@connectionsandyoinc.com
Website: www.connectionsandyoinc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentors
Training: Orientation is provided.
Minimum Age: 21
Requirements: Background check is required.

COURTING KIDS INNER-CITY YOUTH TENNIS PROGRAM
19 Farmfield Ave.
Charleston, SC 29407
Mission: To provide a recreation and competitive tennis experience for youth 5-17 years old.

Peggy Bohne
Phone: (843) 766-7401
Email: bohnep@charleston-sc.gov
Website: charleston-sc.gov/recreation

Volunteer Opportunities: Teaching and/or assisting tennis instructors on the court with children.
Training: Tennis coaching workshops are available.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Background checks are required for all volunteers.
Wish List: Rackets, tennis balls, ball hoppers, prizes, tennis accessories, bug spray, sunscreen, hats/visors.

CREATIVE SPARK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
757 Longpoint Rd., Building 2
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464
Mission: Our mission is to provide high quality Arts education and experiences to all who seek them, regardless of age, ability to pay, ethnic origin, sexual orientation or talent.

Brandi Elkins
Phone: (843) 881-3780
Email: brandi@creativespark.org
Website: creativespark.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist in art events and fundraising.
Training: Provided as needed.
Minimum Age: 14
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Supplies to repair and paint buildings, picnic tables, office supplies, art supplies.

CRISIS MINISTRIES
PO Box 20038
Charleston, SC 29413
Mission: To provide food, shelter and hope to end homelessness and hunger one person at a time, on family at a time.

Brad Cashman
Phone: (843) 723-9477
Email: bcashman@charlestonhomeless.org
Website: www.charlestonhomeless.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Soup Kitchen Volunteers to prepare, cook and serve food, dinner and breakfast; groups to purchase, cook and serve meals at both; food and donation drives; fundraising drives; special events (handout fliers, etc.); computer lab volunteers;

Family Center activities. Groups and individuals welcomed.
Training: Orientation of the facility and training according to specific volunteer activity.
Minimum Age: 14 for kitchen volunteers.
Requirements: Background checks will be given if volunteers are working with our guests one on one or tutoring in our family center.
Wish List: #10 cans of vegetables, deodorant, underwear for men and women, towels, socks.

CROSS COMMUNITY CENTER
1690 Old Hwy. 6
Cross, SC 29436
Mission: The mission of the Cross Community Center is to provide a shelter/haven/center for use by the community to host various activities to help enhance the overall quality of life of its residents and the users of the center.

Nathaniel Footman
Phone: (843) 753-7381
Email: tiresyvonnie@yahoo.com
Volunteer Opportunities: Facility maintenance - painting, cleaning, etc. Strategic planning help.
Training: Orientation provided.
Minimum Age: 15; younger with parental supervision.
Requirements: None

VOLUNTEER FACT # 5
Fact: 22% of Lowcountry five-year-olds do not enter kindergarten ready to succeed.
Fix: Increase children's oral vocabularies, social skills and early numeracy skills.
GO: Volunteer as a READER in a child care center, 3CD or 4 K class near you.

CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION
537 Long Point Rd., Suite 203
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464
Mission: The mission of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation South Carolina Chapter is to assure the development of the means to cure and control cystic fibrosis and to improve the quality of life for those with the disease.



Alicia Parsons
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Website: www.sc.cff.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Hands-on day-of event volunteering, fundraising volunteer, connecting Chapter to local community through personal leads.
Training: Volunteer orientation provided for new volunteers.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None
Wish List: Gently-used office furniture, especially two desks, conference room/work table and chairs.
Donations of food, beverages and auction items.

DAE FOUNDATION
PO Box 21994
Charleston, SC 29413
Mission: The DAE Foundation's mission is to: educate and train student-athletes to be skilled, effective and responsible citizens of their communities; focus on the development of student-athletes by providing programs designed to adequately prepare them for the rigors of athletics and academics; remove impediments to progress by training across gender, cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds; and employ services and support from providers that share in our vision to positively impact youth.

Jermel President
Phone: (843) 460-8389
Email: DAEfoundation@gmail.com

Website: www.daefoundation.org
Volunteer Opportunities: Basketball trainers and coaches, strength and conditioning coaches. Volunteers can also assist coaches. Administrative support.
Training: Orientation provided. Training depends on activity.
Minimum Age: 18; exceptions may be made for high school students.
Requirements: Background checks. Complete high school.
Wish List: Gym time and facilities use, sports medical supplies (e.g., tape, prewrap); sports equipment.

DARKNESS TO LIGHT
7 Radcliffe St.
Charleston, SC 29403



Mission: To raise awareness of the prevalence and consequences of child sexual abuse by educating adults about the steps they can take to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to the reality of child sexual abuse.

Liz Boesch
Phone: (843) 965-5444 ext. 18
Email: eboesch@d2l.org
Website: www.d2l.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Facilitators for Stewards of Children Prevention training. Administrative and marketing assistance.
Training: Orientation is provided to all volunteers. Training depends on assignment.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Background check required for training facilitators.

DAVID SOJOURNER SENIOR CENTER
5361 E. Jim Bilton Blvd.
St. George, SC 29477
Mission: To provide opportunities to all senior citizens of Dorchester County to enhance their educational, mental, social, spiritual and physical well-being.

Bernadette Singletary
Phone: (843) 563-3709
Email: bsingletary@dorchesterseniors.com
Website: www.dorchesterseniors.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with home-delivered meals, transportation, senior center activities, exercise programs, arts & crafts, and games.
Training: Orientation is provided. Training is required for some activities.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: none
Wish List: Bingo prizes, healthy food items, any exercise equipment, craft supplies.

THE DEE NORTON LOWCOUNTRY CHILDREN'S CENTER
1061 King St.
Charleston, SC 29403
Mission: Our mission is to keep children safe from abuse, and when abuse occurs, to work with our community to bring healing to these children and their families. Our vision is to end the cycle of child abuse so that children can live in a safe and nurturing environment and grow into productive and healthy adults.

Caroline Smith
Phone: (843) 723-3600
Email: csmith@dncc.org
Website: http://www.dncc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: *Child Advocates*: interact with the children and ensures their safety while in our waiting area while their parents/caregivers are meeting with a therapist. Child advocate volunteers are required to attend a volunteer orientation held by members of the DNLC staff that familiarizes them with confidentiality issues and helps to prepare them for any situations that may arise while volunteering at the center. *Workday Projects*: DNLC holds weekend workday projects to provide needed repairs and

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renovations to the center. These volunteers do not need to attend the volunteer orientation session, although it is encouraged. Workday projects are scheduled with groups from the community on an individual basis. *Special Events:* DNLCC hosts fundraising and awareness events and participates in other child focused events within the community. Volunteers are needed to participate in these events as representatives of DNLCC alongside our staff. Training: Anyone volunteering as a child advocate must attend a one hour Volunteer Orientation at DNLCC and sign a confidentiality statement. Minimum Age: 18 for child advocate volunteers; no age limit for workday projects & special events volunteers.

Requirements: Anyone volunteering as a child advocate must give authorization for a background check. There is a \$10 non-refundable fee that must be paid in advance to cover the cost of a South Carolina background check.

Wish List: Board games, coloring books, children's books (including chapter books); dolls (preferably with clothes that cannot be removed); trucks/cars/trains; play food; Diaper genie; markers/crayons.

disABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

7944 Dorchester Rd., Ste. 5
N. Charleston, SC 29418

Mission: The concept of independent living is rooted in a philosophy that people with disabilities should have the same civil rights, options and control over their life choices as do persons without disabilities. The vision is empowering, decisive, responsive community change.

Jerry Marsh

Phone: (843) 225-5080

Email: jmarsh@drclc.org

Website: www.drclc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Provide transportation; help with community education; office assistance; surveys; fundraisers.

Training: Call for an application. Must complete a code of ethics.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Items for the loan closet, including wheelchairs, walkers, durable medical equipment, adult diapers, etc.

DOC WILLIAMS SPCA

109 St. James Ave.
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: Contribute to the well being of our community's animals as means and need dictate. Cultivate in the people of our community an awareness of the animals whose world we share. Instill respect for and appreciation of all living things. Act as an advocate for animals in the Legislative Process.

Emily Tucker

Phone: (843) 761-5266

Email: info@docwilliamssPCA.org

Website: www.docwilliamssPCA.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Foster parents, dog walkers, bathers, cage cleaners, general clean up; help with off-site adoption functions.

Training: Must attend Orientation Class prior to volunteering.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

Wish List: Food for dogs, puppies, cats, kittens without red dye; cat litter (non-clumping); hand sanitizer; used bath towels.

DORCHESTER CHILDREN'S CENTER

303 E. Richardson Ave.,
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: Our Center provides a coordinated, evidence-based response to child abuse that reduces trauma and provides treatment for the children and families in our community in a safe, child-focused environment.

Bob Ingram

Phone: (843) 875-1551

Email: bingram@dcccic.org

Website: www.dorchesterchildren.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with fundraisers and special events.

Training: Training procedures for home tours for annual fundraiser.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check required, but not for event volunteers.

Wish List: New toys for Christmas program and school supplies.

DORCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

2717 W. 5th N. St.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: To provide individually tailored supports to persons with life-long disabilities to exercise choices regarding their inclusion and participation in community life.

Celeste Richardson

Phone: (843) 871-1285

Email: celeste.richardson@dorchesterdsnb.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer Human Rights Committee, Board of Directors, Day of Caring volunteers; home improvement opportunities through community service projects.

Training: Training provided by board training coordinator and program staff with understanding disabilities, confidentiality, abuse and neglect, etc.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Bedding and vegetable plants for gardening, watering cans, arts & craft supplies.



DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT 4

500 Ridge St.
St. George, SC 29477

Mission: The mission of Dorchester School District Four is to develop life long learners who will have a positive impact on our global world.

Joyce Davis

Phone: (843) 563-4535

Email: jwdavis@mail.dd4.k12.sc.us

Website: www.dorchester4.k12.sc.us

Volunteer Opportunities: Field trips, monitor during testing and special programs, help as class mentors with the DADS program.

Training: Training depends on the volunteer activities.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: SLED checks and classified application. Might require TB tests.

Wish List: Basic school supplies, schools electronics (laptops, calculators, etc.).

DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO

102 Green Wave Blvd.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: Coordinates K-12 and adult education programs for Dorchester School District Two, including

Givhans School, an alternative school for 6th-12th graders. For a complete list of schools, click on the "Schools Information" link at dorchester2.k12.sc.us.

Pat Raynor

Phone: (843) 873-2901

Email: praynor@dorchester2.k12.sc.us

Website: www.dorchester2.k12.sc.us

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentor, tutor, assist with Library/Media Center, assist with clerical duties, test monitor during state exams, assist with school activities such as field trips, school dances and school improvement activities.

Training: Training provided based on volunteer opportunity.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Depending on the volunteer activity, volunteers must complete an application and may be subject to background checks.

Wish List: School supplies, art supplies, books, incentive awards or gift certificates.

DORCHESTER SENIORS/

FAITH SELLERS SENIOR CENTER

312 N. Laurel St.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: To provide opportunities to all senior citizens of Dorchester County to enhance their educational, mental, social, spiritual and physical well being.

Susan Seay

Phone: (843) 871-5053

Email: sseay@dorchesterseniors.com

Website: www.dorchesterseniors.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Packaging and serving meals, home delivered meals, assisting with activities at the centers, teaching classes, sharing talents and expertise.

Training: Orientation is provided.

Minimum Age: Depends on the opportunity.

Requirements: None

Wish List: Stationary, cleaning supplies, staple food for homebound members, craft supplies.

DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION

OF THE LOWCOUNTRY

295 Seven Farms Dr., Ste. C190
Daniel Island, SC 29492

Mission: The purpose of DSAL is to promote an environment which fosters the growth and development of people with Down syndrome to enable them to achieve their full potential.

Coby Mozingo

Phone: (843) 553-3725

Email: dsalowcountry@gmail.com

Website: www.dsalowcountry.org

Volunteer Opportunities: For the Buddy Walk in October, volunteers help with parking, refreshments, walking, hanging signs, clean up. Welcome any family member impacted by Down Syndrome to volunteer for planning, advocacy, etc.

Training: Orientation is provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Event tents, ice, stage equipment, parking attendant vests.

DRAYTON HALL

3380 Ashley River Rd.
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission: Drayton Hall is an historic site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Our mission is to preserve and interpret Drayton Hall and its environs, in order to educate the public and to inspire people to embrace historic preservation.

Natalie Baker

Phone: (843) 769-2638

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Website: www.draytonhall.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Front desk answering phones; grounds maintenance; special events; work at museum shop; database research; etc.



Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Training: There is training for all volunteers.
Minimum Age: 18; opportunities for younger volunteers may be available.
Requirements: None

DREAM CENTER
5505 N. Rhett Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Understand the health and wellness needs of the medically underserved in our community by providing quality, personalized care with compassion. Strive to create a caring environment to help our friends in the community with clothes and food.

Bill Bartocchini or Joan Lesky
Phone: 225-1115 or 225-4964
Email: dreamcenter@seacoast.org
Website: www.seacoast.org

Volunteer Opportunities: All clinics need greeters, screeners and interpreters; vision clinic – opticians, optometrists; dental clinic – dentists and hygienists; medical clinic – physicians, RNs. Clothing closet – sorters; food pantry – stock and prepare bags for distributions. Adopt-A-Block teams – 5-8 members reach out to families in the surrounding community. Teams support and build relationships with families by visiting elderly, providing minor home repairs, lawn care, etc. Adopt-a Block happens every first Saturday.
Training: Brief orientation for all volunteers; training provided if needed.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Application review.
Wish List: Non-perishable food items, clothing.

EAGLE HARBOR BOYS RANCH
1044 Eagle Harbor Ln.
Summerville, SC 29483



Mission: While being a place of refuge and shelter for children, ages 6 to 21, who are orphaned, neglected, abused and abandoned, it is also our mission to empower each child to rise above their past by giving them love, structure and an opportunity to succeed in life.

Liz Gilbert
Phone: (843) 688-5995
Email: liz@eagleharborkids.org
Website: www.eagleharborkids.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentoring, tutoring, pen pal, event volunteers, resource parenting, landscaping projects, building projects, or you may have a talent you wish to share.

Training: Training is provided after application depending on type of volunteering.
Minimum Age: 15; children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult.
Requirements: An application and background checks need to be completed prior to volunteering. Please call and we can mail this information to you.
Wish List: Toiletry items; paper products (i.e., toilet paper, paper towels); cleaning supplies; food donations; boys clothing sizes 6 to men's size 38.

EARTH FORCE - LOWCOUNTRY
PO Box 22583
Charleston, SC 29413



Mission: Earth Force engages young people as active citizens who improve the environment and their communities now and in the future.

Stacey Rafalowski
Phone: (843) 408-6049
Email: srafalowski@earthforce.org
Website: www.earthforce.org/lowcountry

Volunteer Opportunities: From single day support (such as conducting youth activities at events) to more committed volunteer work (such as working each week at an after-school program implementing our Earth Force service learning curriculum). Volunteers also plan and help support educational and fundraising events.

Training: Earth Force curriculum training is held twice per year to support volunteers that will be working

with youth directly supporting environmental service learning projects.

Minimum Age: 16; adult supervision required for youth under 12 and written permission/waivers required for youth volunteers under 16.
Requirements: All adult volunteers must submit to a state and national background check which requires a state issued identification.

Wish List: Office space; transportation for youth field trips (all youth MUST be transported by bus in the state of SC); t-shirts for Earth Force groups to wear while working on service projects; video support for youth who wish to professionally document their projects.

EAST COOPER COMMUNITY OUTREACH
1145 Six Mile Rd.
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466

Mission: East Cooper Community Outreach (ECCO) is an ecumenical organization dedicated to helping individuals and families in need. ECCO's Vision Statement is To Eliminate Generational Poverty in the East Cooper Communities. Helping to educate our neighbors living in generational poverty is paramount in eliminating generational poverty. All programs and services strive to guide clients toward self-sufficiency. ECCO's ministry of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" attempts to improve the quality of life in our community in a compassionate way that respects the dignity and worth of every person.

Rachel Vane
Phone: (843) 416-7111
Email: rvane@eccocharleston.org
Website: www.eccocharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: People that have a background in HR to help clients with job searches, resume writing, time management, budgeting and organization. Also, help with client interviews, clothing warehouse, food warehouse, homework help, mentors, event planning, job searching, and computer classes.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 6

Volunteers made it possible for 2-1-1 Hotline to answer over 52,000 calls for help in 2011.

Training: All new Volunteers receive orientation relevant to our Vision Statement and cultural competency. Each Volunteer also receives more in depth training pertaining to their specific area of service.

Minimum Age: 14
Requirements: Complete ECCO's Volunteer application.

Wish List: New fans, new heaters, new air conditioner, new computers, new computer headphones, non perishable food, size 2 and 3 diapers.

EAST COOPER MEDICAL CENTER
PO Box 21625
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: The patient is our primary concern. We are dedicated to providing quality and professional care with compassion and respect for all.

Shirley Nilsen
Phone: (843) 416-6271
Email: shirley.nilsen@tenethhealth.com
Website: eastcoopermedctr.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed for Information Desk, Gift Shop, Escort/ Hostess, Patient Assistant, and Surgery waiting room Information/Hostess.

Training: Hospital orientation and training are required. Must be able to commit to one four-hour shift per week.
Minimum Age: 15

Requirements: Background check and TB test.
Wish List: Toiletries.

FACE THE WORLD EXCHANGE STUDENT PROGRAM
51 Markfield Dr.,
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: Open your home and open your heart by hosting a foreign exchange student. Our mission is to provide global understanding through cross cultural homestays and providing more cultural awareness to the future leaders of tomorrow.

Debbie Wagers
Phone: (843) 763-1803
Email: charlestondeb@comcast.net
Website: facetheworld.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer host families are needed for our 15-18 year old exchange students arriving in August. Volunteers are needed to work with the program as a liaison between schools, families and students.

Training: Volunteer community representatives meet and learn about government and school regulations that govern the program.

Minimum Age: 25
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Prom dresses for visiting students. Sponsor outings to local events.

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES
1031 Chuck Dawley Blvd., Ste. 5
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Mission: The mission is to put new and creative ideas to work solving problems in South Carolina. Families Helping Families is a Lowcountry-wide partnership bringing together the generosity of local families, churches, businesses and community groups to help local families in need for the holidays.

Shelli Quenga
Phone: (843) 724-7100
Email: fhfcharleston@palmettoproject.org
Website: www.fhfcharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: In October/November, tasks include administrative duties, recruiting volunteers, data entry and mailings. In December, volunteers staff the warehouse receiving, organizing, and distributing gifts.

Training: Orientation is provided.
Minimum Age: 18 in office; 16 in warehouse; younger, if accompanied by an adult.
Requirements: None
Wish List: Sponsors for families.

FAMILY CONNECTION OF SC
1578 Bowden Ct.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: To strengthen families who have children with developmental delays, disabilities, or chronic illnesses through a parent-to-parent network of family-focused support; to provide assurance, information, and community awareness; and to enhance parent/professional relationships.

Meagan Labriola
Phone: (843) 556-5010
Email: meaganlabriola@familyconnectionsc.org
Website: www.familyconnectionsc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with special events. Parents with special-needs children can volunteer as support parents.

Training: Training provided based on volunteer opportunity. Four-hour training workshop for parents.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Copy paper, office supplies, supplies for special events (food items, arts and crafts materials).

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER FOR DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

1575 Savannah Hwy, Ste. 6
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: To promote opportunities for learning, inclusion, and empowerment for individuals with

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disabilities and special needs, their families, and their communities through such means as education, advocacy, and outreach.

Bev McCarty
Phone: (843) 266-1318
Email: bevsmccarty@frcdsn.org
Website: www.frcdsn.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Phone surveying, database and technological services, website services, administrative support, event planning, fund-raising. Training: Training is specific to the activity.

Minimum Age: 21
Requirements: Volunteers may be asked to sign a confidentiality statement.
Wish List: Silent auction items, office space, and resource materials related to disabilities/special needs parenting.

FAMILY SERVICES, INC.

4925 LaCross Rd., Ste. 215
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Family Services exists to empower, at a cost comparable to industry standards, individuals and families who become or remain functionally independent.

Iris Albright
Phone: (843) 735-7830
Email: ialbright1@fsisc.org
Website: www.fsisc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Visit our nursing home clients.

Training: Orientation provided to volunteers.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background checks.

Wish List: Sugar-free candy, personal hygiene products, non-skid socks, large print books and crossword puzzles.

FAMILY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM

4925 LaCross Rd., Ste. 215
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Program seeks to empower victims of domestic violence and their families to live and grow independently in a violence-free environment.

Kristin Danko
Phone: (843) 735-7854
Email: kdanko@fsisc.org
Website: www.fsisc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Follow up with victims who have completed the program. Court Advocacy volunteers. Assist in increasing public awareness of domestic violence through special events & victim advocacy.

Training: Orientation and training are required.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background checks are required.
Wish List: Children's books/toys, art supplies, books to talk to kids about divorce, small date books & planners.

FIELDS TO FAMILIES

222 W. Coleman Blvd.,
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Mission: To help increase nutrition to the area hungry by coordinating distribution of fresh produce obtained from local gardens and farms.

Tina Arnold
Phone: (843) 261-3575
Email: info@fieldstofamilies.org
Website: www.fieldstofamilies.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Promoting family and child-oriented health and nutrition throughout the community. Picking vegetables at farms in Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester counties. Transporting vegetables to agencies that serve the hungry. Helping to farm our Fields to Families Garden projects in Moncks Corner and on Johns Island with instruction provided by Clemson Extension Service Master Gardeners.

Training: Training in various vegetables gardening skills and harvesting.

Minimum Age: 18: children under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Requirements: None

Wish List: Garden tools, irrigation services, soil amendments.

FLEET AND FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

Naval Weapons Station
1005 Jefferson Ave., Bldg. 755
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: To offer crisis intervention, personal and family counseling, parent support groups, volunteer programs, retiree assistance, survivor's assistance, deployment/separations counseling or assistance, and employment assistance to service members and their spouses/family members.

Kim Brown
Phone: (843) 764-7472
Email: kimberly.brown.19.ctr@us.af.mil
Website: www.jbcharleston.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Clerical, marketing, mentors for schools on base, sports, library and events.

Internships available with familiarity with military lifestyle. Must be military family or retiree to volunteer on base.

Training: Orientation and needed training provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.



FLORENCE CRITTENTON PROGRAMS OF SC

19 St. Margaret St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: To provide young, at-risk pregnant and parenting women comprehensive services to help them become self-sufficient and responsible mothers. Florence Crittenton Programs of South Carolina values the right of every pregnant young woman to obtain the education, skills, and support needed to have a healthy start in life - for both herself and her child.

Susan Segui
Phone: (843) 722-7526
Email: ssegui@florencecrittentonsc.org
Website: www.florencecrittentonsc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Admin assistance; sorting/organizing donations; group facilitators/guest speakers to meet with clients in a group setting to discuss life skills, financial management, resume writing, job interview skills, career development, etc.; landscaping (raking, weeding, pruning, etc.)

Training: Varies, depending on volunteer project.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: SC Dept. of Social Services background check and completed Florence Crittenton Application required for all volunteers.

Wish List: New and gently used baby items (toys, clothing, strollers, crib linens, etc.); new car seats; arts and craft supplies; books and board games; twin bed linens and comforters; water bottles for our clients; movie and bowling passes for weekend activities; Wal-Mart gift cards.

FOOTLIGHT PLAYERS

20 Queen St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: To provide quality theatre to the residents of the Lowcountry. We are the oldest community theatre in the southeast and the only barrier-free theatre company in Charleston. We allow anyone regardless of skill level or experience participate in all levels of theatre (from acting to set construction).

Jocelyn Jenkins
Phone: (843) 722-7521
Email: jocelyn@footlightplayers.net
Website: www.footlightplayers.net

Volunteer Opportunities: Set building/construction, assistance with all aspects of theatrical productions (i.e. lighting, sound), box office assistance, house managing, stage managing, costume designers, publicity and poster distribution.

Training: House managing and box office volunteering require an expressed interest and a short introduction to duties. Set building/construction is training on site as is stage managing, lighting and sound operation.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

Wish List: Wood (for building sets); paint (any color); bar stools; love seat/sofa; storage containers.

FRANCES R. WILLIS SPCA

PO Box 1116
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: To provide food, shelter, medical treatment and a comfortable environment for the homeless animals of Dorchester County until we can find them loving forever homes.

Cheryl Bruns
Phone: (843) 871-3820
Email: cbruns@sc.rr.com
Website: www.summervillespca.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Working with the animals including fostering, walking, and socializing them. Also, assisting with community events, fundraising, and public relations.

Training: Training is available.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Dog and cat food, kitten and puppy food, cat litter, animal treats, toys, office supplies - printer ink and copier paper.

FRIENDS OF THE HUNLEY

1250 Supply St.
N. Charleston, SC 29445

Mission: To help the H.L. Hunley complete her historic journey home. The goals of the Friends of the Hunley a non-profit organization, are to solve the mystery of that first ever submarine attack in 1864; and to conserve one of the greatest, most sought-after artifacts in the history of naval warfare.

Lori Dickson
Phone: (843) 743-4865 ext. 14
Email: Dickson@hunley.org
Website: www.hunley.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Greeter, retail support, membership sales, ticket collection and tour preparation and tour guide.

Training: General introductory training session with the volunteer coordinator followed by one on one training for specific volunteer position.

Minimum Age: 18

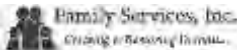
Requirements: Application, interview and background checks are required for all volunteer positions.

Wish List: General office supplies, store fixtures and display units.

GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN SOUTH CAROLINA

7951 Dorchester Rd.
N. Charleston, SC 29418

Mission: Girls Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.



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Loretta Graham
 Phone: (843) 552-9910, ext. 232
 Email: lorettagraham@girlscoutssc.org
 Website: www.girlscoutssc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Trainers, literacy program, mentors or leaders. Opportunities are short and long term.

Training: Orientation, Leadership Essentials, CPR and First Aid.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

GOOD NEWS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

1300 Sumner Ave.
 N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: To provide comprehensive services that respond to the educational and special needs of children.

Rezinda White
 Phone: (843) 327-7695
 Email: rezinda@yahoo.com
 Website: www.myspace.com/goodnewsafterschool

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutoring, guest speakers, activities with the students.

Training: Training is provided.

Minimum Age: 18; exceptions may be made for 16 and 17 year olds.

Requirements: Volunteers may need a SLED depending on the opportunity.

Wish List: School supplies, play-doh, arts & crafts.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF LOWER SC



2150 Eagle Dr., Building 100
 N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Helping people achieve their full potential through the dignity and power of work.

Erin Burneyko
 Phone: (843) 566-0072 ext 257
 Email: eburneyko@palmettogoodwill.org
 Website: www.palmettogoodwill.org

Volunteer Opportunities: PC recycling center helper, retail assistance, secret shopper, special events assistant, clerical assistant, donor processor, sale assistant and receptionist assistance.

Training: Volunteer interview, placement, and introduction of organization mission. Varies depending on the job.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Children's books, computer equipment, household items and other items for the Goodwill Retail Stores.



GOOSE CREEK LIONS CLUB

PO Box 239
 Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: Lions are an international network of 1.3 million men and women in over 200 countries and geographic areas who work together to answer the needs that challenge communities around the world. Known for working to end preventable blindness, Lions participate in a vast variety of projects important to their communities. These projects range from cleaning up local parks to providing supplies to victims of natural disasters.

Timothy Murray
 Phone: (843) 442-0851
 Email: tdmurray@yahoo.com
 Website: www.goosecreeklionsclub.org,
www.facebook.com/gclions

Volunteer Opportunities: Projects include repair and painting of school equipment, cleaning up highways, assisting during disasters and helping senior citizens.

Training: Hands on Training of our various activities as well as many on-line training opportunities available from leadership to project development.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Able to lend a hand and perform project tasks with minimal assistance.

Wish List: Eyeglasses, hearing aids, cell phones, ink and toner cartridges and time.

GOOSE CREEK RECREATION CENTER



PO Box 1768
 Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: To provide leisure activities to the residents of Goose Creek and surrounding subdivisions.

Cheryl Heiselman
 Phone: (843) 569-4242
 Email: cheiselman@cityofgoosecreek.com
 Website: www.goosecreekrecreation.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Coaching youth athletic teams.

Training: Coaches clinics provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

THE GREATER PARK CIRCLE FILM SOCIETY

4820 Jenkins Ave.
 N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Our mission is to screen quality films, educate the public, and engage in community development.

Nicholai Burton
 Phone: (843) 628-5534
 Email: connect@parkcirclefilms.org
 Website: parkcirclefilms.org



Volunteer Opportunities: Drop off brochures to prearranged locations; sell tickets or run the concession stand; create press releases and press kits; write articles about film makers and events, design graphics, logos, and print media, write grant applications, start a film club, tweetup, or traditional workshop; build relationships with local and state media; develop partnerships with Trident Tech and College of Charleston film classes; arrange speakers and panel discussions for films; help find and review new movies, and post your reviews on our Facebook page.

Training: Orientation is provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

GUARDIAN AD LITEM VOLUNTEER PROGRAM – BERKELEY COUNTY

111 Pine St.
 Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: It is our mission to provide a volunteer for every Berkeley County child who is involved in an abuse and neglect case in Family Court. Our volunteers are trained to speak up for abused and neglected children and to be a powerful voice for safe, permanent homes.

Revonda Hardesty
 Phone: (843) 719-4953
 Email: rharesty@oepp.sc.gov
 Website: www.berkeley.sccgal.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers will visit children at least once per month; learn about the child's family situation; talk to other agencies about what services are available; make recommendations to the Family Court at all hearings, and focus on finding safety and stability for the child. Volunteers spend an average of 4-6 hours per month on their cases, and go to court 2-3 times per year.

Training: Free, 30 hour training course. The curriculum

is from National CASA, the nation-wide standard in child advocacy. Training provides a solid background for the participants about child advocacy.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Volunteers must pass both criminal and central registry (DSS) background checks. They must provide personal references, and complete the training and interview process. These are done at no charge to the volunteer.

GUARDIAN AD LITEM VOLUNTEER PROGRAM – CHARLESTON COUNTY

145 King Street, Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: It is our mission to provide a volunteer advocate for every Charleston County child who is involved with a DSS case in Family Court. Our volunteers are trained to speak up for abused and neglected children and to be a powerful voice for safe, permanent homes.

Lois Richter
 Phone: (843) 577-6978
 Email: lrictcher@oepp.sc.gov
 Website: www.charleston.sccgal.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers will visit children at least once per month; learn about the child's family situation; talk to other agencies about what services are available; make recommendations to the Family Court at all hearings, and focus on finding safety and stability for the child. Volunteers spend an average of 4-6 hours per month on their cases, and go to court 2-3 times per year.

Training: Free, 30 hour training course. The curriculum is from National CASA, the nation wide standard in child advocacy. Training provides a solid background for the participants about child advocacy.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Volunteers must pass both criminal and central registry (DSS) background checks. They must provide personal references, and complete the training and interview process. These are done at no charge to the volunteer.

GUARDIAN AD LITEM VOLUNTEER PROGRAM – DORCHESTER COUNTY

120 South Magnolia St.
 Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: It is our mission to provide a volunteer advocate for every Dorchester County child who is involved with a DSS case in Family Court. Our volunteers are trained to speak up for abused and neglected children and to be a powerful voice for safe, permanent homes.

Dina Dukes
 Phone: (843) 875-9842
 Email: galdorchester@oepp.sc.gov
 Website: www.dorchester.sccgal.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers will visit children at least once per month; learn about the child's family situation; talk to other agencies about what services are available; make recommendations to the Family Court at all hearings, and focus on finding safety and stability for the child. Volunteers spend an average of 4-6 hours per month on their cases, and go to court 2-3 times per year.

Training: Free, 30 hour training course. The curriculum is from National CASA, the nation wide standard in child advocacy. Training provides a solid background for the participants about child advocacy.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Volunteers must pass both criminal and central registry (DSS) background checks. They must provide personal references, and complete the training and interview process. These are done at no charge to the volunteer.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - BERKELEY



408 South Live Oak Dr.
 Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Mission: The mission of Habitat for Humanity of Berkeley County is to put the elimination of poverty

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housing on the hearts and minds of residents of Berkeley County; to create opportunities for partner families to improve their lives; to restore dignity, hope and faith, while providing opportunities for Christian fellowship and service to others; and to build quality, affordable homes in partnership with low income families.

Linda Wingard
Phone: (843) 761-8989
Email: office@berkeleyhabitat.org
Website: www.berkeleyhabitat.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Committee members - site selection, development/fund-raising, applications review, construction committee (construction experience is preferred) volunteer recruitment and church relations. General office assistance. Volunteer shepherds to serve as liaisons/advocates for Habitat families. Mid-week construction crew members. Spanish translator to help with brochures. Bookkeeper for the affiliate. Create and oversee a quarterly newsletter. Recruit support from Berkeley County businesses, to sponsor a "Business Build" house. ReStore in Goose Creek needs volunteers to staff store, pick up donations, general "fix-it" person, etc. Also need IT support for Website and social media.

Training: Specific to particular volunteer tasks; construction training is available on-site.

Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None

Wish List: Ladders of any size (rated for 250 lbs. or better); 18 volt cordless drills; 12 ft. aluminum brake; and just about any construction tools. A sponsor for office online networking. New computers in both the affiliate office and the ReStore.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY -
CHARLESTON



731 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: Charleston Habitat for Humanity is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International that seeks to bring an end to substandard housing by providing simple, green, and affordable home ownership and home repair opportunities to local, working families.

Joelle Sharisky
Phone: (843) 579-0777
Email: joelle@charlestonhabitat.org
Website: www.charlestonhabitat.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers needed in the Restore and on a build site.

Training: Training provided and varies with activity.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None
Wish List: Building materials, home decor, housewares, etc.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY -
DORCHESTER



101 Greyback Rd.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: To work in partnership with God and people everywhere, from all walks of life, to develop communities with God's people in need by building and renovating houses, so that there are decent houses in decent communities in which God's people can live and grow into all that God intended.

Lindsey Stewart
Phone: (843) 851-1414
Email: volunteer@dorchesterhabitat.org
Website: www.dorchesterhabitat.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Customer service and warehouse help at Habitat for Humanity Re Store Tuesday through Saturday. Work site volunteers build on Thursdays and Saturdays.

Training: Volunteers will be trained at the Re Store by the manager. They will be given a tour of the store and a list of responsibilities. They will work alongside another volunteer to learn the routine. At the job

site, site supervisor will give a training and safety talk before any volunteers start. Volunteers will work with a team leader.

Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None

Wish List: Building supplies; new or gently used items to sell at the Re Store; office supplies.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY -
EAST COOPER



PO Box 1990
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465

Mission: East Cooper Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with God and people everywhere, from all walks of life, to develop communities with people in need by building houses, so that there are decent houses in decent communities in which every person can experience God's love and can live and grow into all that God intends.

Jacqueline Perdue
Phone: (843) 881-2600, ext. 207
Email: volunteer@eastcooperhabitat.org
Website: www.eastcooperhabitat.org

Volunteer Opportunities: We build on Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Our Restore is in need of volunteers Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. Jobs include cashiers, showroom organizers, warehouse assistants, and building material organizers. Please contact Hanna at (843) 849-8002 to sign up.

Training: Volunteers will be trained on site by the construction staff.

Minimum Age: 14
Requirements: None

Wish List: Power tools.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 7

Fact: Students with a mother who did not complete HS are twice as likely to drop out themselves.

Fix: Opportunities and supports for parents to earn GEDs.

GO: Volunteer as a mentor for Adult Education classes near you.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY -
SEA ISLAND



2545 Bohicket Rd.
Johns Island, SC 29455

Mission: To provide affordable, decent housing for low-income, working families from James Island to Edisto Island, SC.

Josephine Rex
Phone: (843) 768-0998
Email: volunteer@seaislandhabitat.org
Website: www.seaislandhabitat.org

Volunteer Opportunities: We have a need for regular construction and ReStore volunteers, who can commit between 1 and 5 days each week to volunteer.

Training: Volunteers go through a very basic orientation.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: None

Wish List: Safety glasses, work gloves, hammers, tape measures, paint brushes, blades.

HALOS

3366 Rivers Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: To provide resources and special opportunities to abused and neglected children and their caregivers through partnerships with faith-based and other community resources.

Elisa Strickler
Phone: (843) 953-3715

Email: elisa@charlestonhalos.org
Website: www.charlestonhalos.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer opportunities include coordinating annual programs (i.e. helping sort and pack backpacks for back to school and helping organize gifts holiday giving campaign for over 2200 children involved with DSS); providing meals and/or child care to kinship care support group participants (background screening required); general office work (i.e. stuffing envelopes for mailings, organizing on-site storage spaces); assistance with special events.

Training: HALOS staff meet with all potential volunteers and orient them one on one or in a group setting, depending on the need. For volunteers working with families and children, there is a formal volunteer orientation including a background check.

Minimum Age: 16, unless a parent is present.
Requirements: For volunteers working with families and children, there is a formal volunteer orientation including a background check. This background check is provided at no charge to the volunteer.

Wish List: New or gently used twin beds, bunk beds, toddler beds, and cribs in good condition and assembled (we cannot accept cribs with drop-down sides or missing hardware); diapers (newborn through size 5), pull-ups, and baby wipes; new car seats; living/dining room furniture; dressers; household products (dishware, silverware, pots/pans, cleaning supplies, towels); bedding (sheets/pillowcases, comforters, blankets, etc.); small items for teen gifts (jewelry, picture frames, wallets, caps, etc.).

HARVEST FREE MEDICAL CLINIC
1670 Drydock Ave.

N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Harvest Free Medical Clinic (HFMC) strives to give the best medical care possible at no charge. We are happy to provide care to people of all nationalities, races, faiths and lifestyles. We work to show the love of Christ to the community through the services we provide.

Randy Beckett
Phone: (843) 412-3042
Email: randybeckett_29407@yahoo.com
Website: www.hfmc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mental health professionals; pharmacists and pharmacy technicians; clerical assistance; nurses; nurse practitioners; physicians.
Training: Orientation is provided. Training depends on assignments.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Office supplies, copy paper.

HEALING FARMS

PO Box 2002

Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465



Mission: Healing Farms provide a sustainable community for adults with developmental disabilities through activities that reveal their gifts and talents.

Mary Tutterow
Phone: (843) 971-9300
Email: mary@healingfarm.org
Website: www.healingfarm.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Family Nights - monthly - dinner and family activities with our friends with disabilities. Luke 14 Banquet on February 14 at Seacoast Church - we serve over 500 people with disabilities and their families. Volunteers decorate, serve, host and clean up. Barn Raising - We will be building out our new farm in 2012 and need architects, land planners, contractors, farmers, designers, teachers, and much more to help us get the job done.

Training: A brief orientation to the program for all volunteers; training for some. All will fill out a volunteer contact sheet.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check required for volunteers working directly with folks with disabilities.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Wish List: Small office space with access to a conference room; bus or van to transport participants to the farm; building materials; garden tools of all kinds.

HEARTLAND HOSPICE
1064 Gardner Rd., Ste. 204
Charleston, SC 29407



Mission: We provide palliative and supportive care to terminally ill patients and their caregivers. Our type of care is delivered with compassion, love, and a vast array of experience.

Erin Johnson
Phone: (843) 766-7646
Email: 4662officestaff20@hcr-manorcare.com
Website: www.hcr-manorcare.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Office/clerical, friendly visitor, reading/letter writing, running errands, etc
Training: Initial training includes volunteer's role, bereavement, HIPAA, safety, documentation, ethics.
Minimum Age: 18; younger with Hospice trained adult supervision.
Requirements: Background check, two references and TB Test.
Wish List: Lap blankets, afghans.

HEARTS OF HUGER
PO Box 245
Huger, SC 29450

Mission: To uplift and revitalize the community of Huger by returning to our founding qualities: unity, respect, charity/stewardship. We wish to accomplish this through the investment of time and resources into youth development, economic development, and the protection of the rights of our community and its citizens.

Bernard Watson
Phone: (843) 336-6768
Email: bernard.watson@nucor.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutors and mentors; sports coach assistants; landscaping help; chaperones for field trips; special event help.
Training: Orientation is provided.
Minimum Age: 13, younger with adult supervision.
Requirements: None
Wish List: Computers; fax/copier/printer; gently used or new clothes (all ages); sports equipment; lawn care equipment.

HELP OF CHARLESTON
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: Telephone ministry of interdenominational churches to assist with emergency food, clothing, and medication.

Joan Leon
Phone: (843) 723-4010

Volunteer Opportunities: Answering phones, packing food and clothes.
Training: On-site orientation.
Minimum Age: 21
Requirements: Interview with staff may be required.
Wish List: Non-perishable food for food pantry, clothing and shoes for children and adults.

HELPING HANDS OF GOOSE CREEK
104-B Commerce Place
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: To furnish food to hungry people in need while encouraging self-sufficiency. Helping Hands is the largest emergency food pantry in Berkeley County. Last year we provided over 325,000 meals to approximately 12,000 people.

Michelle Arredondo
Phone: (843) 553-7132
Email: directorhhgc@hughes.net
Website: helpinghandsofgoosecreek.net

Volunteer Opportunities: Daily opportunities consist of food sorting, food bagging for distribution, and directly serving the clients by weighing food selections.

Training: Individual orientation is given to those interested in volunteering.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None
Wish List: Cereal; personal hygiene items; Hamburger Helper; pasta and pasta sauce; plastic bags; egg cartons; paper towels.

HISTORIC CHARLESTON FOUNDATION
40 E. Bay St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: Dedicated to preserving and protecting the historical, architectural, and cultural character of Charleston and its historic environments, and to educate the public about Charleston's history and the benefits that are derived from preservation.

Liz Caldbeck
Phone: (843) 723-8292
Email: lcaldbeck@historiccharleston.org
Website: www.historiccharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Docents (guides) and street marshals are needed annually during the Festival of Houses and Gardens. We encourage those with an interest in historic houses and/or gardens, or those who wish to learn more, to participate. Docents are needed year-round at the Nathaniel Russell House and the Aiken-Rhett House.
Training: Varies depending on position.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None



HOME WORKS OF AMERICA, INC.
PO Box 102
Irmo, SC 29063

Mission: The mission of Home Works is to show God's love for all through service to others and to assist others in their faith journey. Home Works' activities will focus on providing home repairs to homeowners in need, assisting youth in their development and empowering communities to meet the needs of its members.

Hank Chardos
Phone: (803) 781-45
Email: h.chardos@homeworksusa.net
Website: www.homeworksofamerica.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Youth and skilled adult volunteers are needed for all aspects of construction for homeowners living in poverty. Projects include wheelchair ramps, roofs, paint, walls, doors and more. Adult volunteers are always needed to serve as mentors for the youth, assist with the construction tasks and be available as role models. Home Works welcomes information about families in need of the service.
Training: Orientation and training takes place in planning meetings prior to build events.
Minimum Age: 13

Requirements: Background checks are required for adults on week-long projects.
Wish List: Power tools and hand tools. Very gently used large kitchen appliances to donate to homes.

HOPE LODGE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
269 Calhoun St.
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: Hope Lodge is a "home away from home" made available at no cost to adult patients undergoing active outpatient treatment for cancer. The comfortable facilities along with dedicated staff and volunteers, provide an emotionally supportive environment for patients and their loved ones.

Sundi Herring
Phone: 843-958-0930
Email: sundi.herring@cancer.org
Website: www.cancer.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Weekly volunteers are needed to cover 3-4 hour shifts at the front desk during days and evenings, and to assist with administrative duties and patient check-ins. Groups are also welcome to volunteer for spring cleaning all year round, or to prepare evening or lunch meals.
Training: A basic training is required prior to volunteering.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None
Wish List: White towels, wash cloths, paper towels, toilet paper, individual snacks, and canned goods.

HOSPICE CARE OF AMERICA
9217 University Blvd.
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Hospice Care of America's mission statement uses the acronym L.E.A.P. with the focuses of the company to be a leader in the evolution of the hospice care industry, embrace change by confronting the future while maintaining quality outcomes for the patient and the community, provide appropriate care, professional support and be a resource link to the health care community; as well as, to be fiscally secure in the provision of care.

Ann Rutledge
Phone: (843) 797-0768
Email: arutledge@msa-corp.com
Website: http://www.msa-corp.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Offer support, companionship and practical care to patients. Run errands, light yard work, sit with a patient to provide relief for the caregiver, read to a patient, help a patient write in his/her journal or provide the power of presence. Administrative support, family outreach support, special projects, professional affiliates, & direct patient care support.
Training: Hospice Program orientation to mission, philosophy, and goals. We will give you the skills needed to assist patients and their families.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Basic background check, drug screening, receive a 2-step TB screening (required for all direct patient volunteers) & complete a 4 hour Hospice training course.
Wish List: Hand-made items (e.g., cake baking) and services (e.g., yard work).

HOSPICE OF CHARLESTON
4975 Lacross Rd., Ste. 200
N. Charleston, SC 29406



Mission: To enhance the quality of life by offering comfort and compassionate care with dignity and respect throughout the end of life's journey.

Shannon Polny
Phone: (843) 266-3489
Email: shannon.polny@gentiva.com
Website: www.hospiceofcharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Patient/family volunteers, office assistance, special events assistance, Shannon's Hope Camp (Oct. and March each year), cake-baking

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

team, yard work and light housekeeping for patients' homes, and opportunities at Hospice Center in Mt. Pleasant.

Training: Varies depending on volunteer opportunity
Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Annual background checks for all volunteers; annual TB, OSHA/HIPPA testing if working with patients.

Wish List: Yarn for blanket volunteers.

INCREASING H.O.P.E. FINANCIAL TRAINING CENTER
2154 N. Center St., Ste. 201B
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: To Create Financial Freedom for Families in South Carolina by providing transformational educational training in personal money management. Teaching individuals how to better manage their money so they can manage their life resulting in increased self-sufficiency and sustainability in the community.

Dorothea Bernique
Phone: (843) 225-4343
Email: Dorothea@increasinghope.org
Website: www.increasinghope.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative assistance, facilitators, social media guru.

Training: On the job training, including volunteer and office procedures manuals.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Team player, responsible and committed.

Wish List: Storage cabinets; updated computers; projector.

INTERNATIONAL PRIMATE PROTECTION LEAGUE

120 Primate Ln.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: To promote the conservation and protection of all nonhuman primates--including apes, monkeys, and lemurs--around the world. Our goal is to keep primates in their native habitat, where they belong.

Shirley McGreal
Phone: (843) 871-2280
Email: smcgreal@ippl.org
Website: www.ippl.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Grounds keeping (mowing, weeding, planting, etc.); limited animal care (preparing gibbon lunches, cleaning cages, grooming and walking dogs, etc.); produce shopping for animals; light office work (envelope stuffing, copying, proofreading, etc.); and public relations/ fundraising (staffing information booths at local events, helping with public presentations about IPPL, grantseeking, press release writing, etc.).

Training: Depends on opportunity.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Current negative TB test is required for working with animals.

Wish List: Any nonperishable dried fruit (raisins, apricots, etc.), canned beans, canned beets, Dawn dishwashing liquid, bleach, Pine-Sol, garden hoses, yard equipment.

ITNCHARLESTONTRIDENT
(INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK)

6296 Rivers Ave., Ste. 303
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: ITNCharlestonTrident is a Lowcountry non-profit 501(c)(3) transportation organization using caring and supportive volunteers to provide transportation to seniors (65+) and the visually impaired so they may live independent, healthy and productive lives.

Jim Ledbetter
Phone: (843) 225-2715
Email: jim.ledbetter@itncharlestontrident.org
Website: <http://www.tridentSeniorRides.com>

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer drivers drive seniors and the visually impaired. Mileage

reimbursement and/or credits for service can be earned by volunteer drivers. Volunteer office assistance is also needed.

Training: Formal (written) application process and Volunteer Driver orientation (approx. 1.5 hrs) are required. Minimum requirement to volunteer is 3 years of licensed driving.

Minimum Age: 21 for volunteer drivers

Requirements: Background check and a driving history check.

Wish List: Safe & drivable donated cars, sponsors for passengers, "Road Scholarships" (supplements for economically challenged riders), coupons for auto maintenance.

JAMES ISLAND PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION
1632 Fort Johnson Rd.
Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: To administer outreach ministries including Child Care Center, Preschool, After School Program, Summer Day Camp, Migrant Services, Closet Treasures Thrift Store, Farmers Market, Senior Adult Recreation, Lowcountry Pastoral Counseling Centers and Senior Companion program for James Island residents. We also offer the Mission House, which is housing for visiting volunteer work groups and serve the community as a community service site.

Henry Meeuwse
Phone: (843) 795-3111
Email: henry@jamesislandpc.org
Website: www.jamesislandpresbyterian.org



Volunteer Opportunities: Tutor for After School Program, clerk at the Thrift Store, mentor for Juvenile Arbitration, recreation assistance with summer day camps and migrant services, assistants for child care center and after school programs.

Training: CPR is necessary for the childcare center, the summer camp programs and Darkness to Light.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Educational toys, games for after-school program, Spanish children's books, and items for thrift store.

JENKINS INSTITUTE FOR CHILDREN
3923 Azalea Dr.

N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: With over 100 years of loving, caring and sharing, our vision is to be the major children and family advocate and support institution in the state. To also provide these individuals with the tools necessary for academic and personal success through programs that are curriculum based, prevention based, experiential, interactive and community oriented. With a focus on building the whole person -- including exposure and involvement in the arts and science, math, technology, critical thinking skills, decision making skills, goals setting, problem solving, reading/comprehension, and other life skills. We are assisting and enabling children, families to build their potential to be productive residents in our communities.

Sam Holmes
Phone: (843) 744-1771
Email: samholmes@bellsouth.net
Website: www.JenkinsInstitute.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentoring, building/maintenance, committee work/fundraising, group projects, landscaping, medical assistance, office assistance, special events.

Training: Orientation and training are specific to task.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Paper products, laundry products, cleaning products, towels, linens, hygiene products, laptop computers.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
1645 Roaul Wallenberg Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: The Jewish Community Center (JCC) is a social service agency committed to enriching the lives of people of all ages through a variety of programs and activities.

Joann Sherman or Katie Bielsky
Phone: (843) 571-6565
Email: ronnecaw@charlestonjcc.org
Website: www.charlestonjcc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutors for after-school program, grounds maintenance help, security at events, office help.

Training: Orientation and training is specific to task.

Must be able to commit to a minimum of 3 hours.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Background checks are required for volunteers working with children.

Wish List: Quality used furniture for families in need. Clippers, rakes, shovels, other lawn and garden equipment. Office supplies and like-new office equipment.

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM

2316 Red Bank Rd., Bldg. 36
Goose Creek, SC 29445-8601

Mission: The Natural Resources program manages and protects natural resources on Joint Base Charleston supporting the military mission of the installation.

Terrence Larimer
Phone: (843) 764-7951

Email: terrence.larimer@us.af.mil

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer game wardens run the hunting and fishing operations. Volunteers also assist with prescribed burning operations.

Training: Varies depending on the job.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background checks may be required.

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON YOUTH PROGRAMS

2451 N. O'Neal Ave.,
N. Charleston, SC 29404

Mission: To provide recreational and developmental programs to all youths in an atmosphere of safety, equality and enjoyment.

Shannon Norris
Phone: (843) 963-5684
Email: shannon.norris@charleston.af.mil
Website: www.jbcharleston.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist and mentor children ages 9 through 18. Participate as a youth coach for all sports ranging ages 5 through 18 for each seasonal sport. Other volunteer opportunities include knowledge and expertise in crafts, 4-H, Boys & Girls Club and children's playgroups.

Training: CPR/First Aid; other Air Force training provided when offered to our facility.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Toys, sporting equipment. Arts and craft supplies. Reading materials for ages 5 and up.



Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF COASTAL SC
2430 Mall Dr., Ste. 120
N. Charleston, SC 29406



Mission: To empower young people to own their economic success.

Chad Vail
Phone: (843) 745-7050
Email: chad.vail@ja.org
Website: www.JACoastalSC.org

Volunteer Opportunities: JA Volunteers are connected with elementary, middle and high school classrooms to deliver programs proven to impart financial literacy, workforce readiness and an entrepreneurial mindset. JA Programs can be deployed in multiple classroom visits or in one day in conjunction with a "JA in a Day" event. There is no cost to schools to participate in Junior Achievement. JA Programs are in concert with the requirements of the SC Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA). Specific Volunteer Opportunities throughout the Trident Region are published regularly on the JA of Coastal SC website.

Training: The step by step volunteer process is facilitated by the JA Program Manager – from reviewing opportunities, to submitting volunteer form, to connecting with classroom, to receiving the Program Kit to completing the program.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Volunteers must comply with school district volunteer policy and school check-in procedures.

JUNIOR GIRLS DAY OUT
101 Meeting St., Ste. 330
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: As a means of steering young girls on the right path, Junior Girls Day Out Community Project conducts education, career, personal, social, and cultural development programs for elementary school girls ages 7-12.

Kathy Jackson
Phone: (843) 864-3399
Email: jgdo2007@yahoo.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed for our Literacy Program: help with after-school tutoring, reading beach parties, Charleston Historic Treasure Hunt, assist with field trips and helping the girls write and design books. Guest speakers and assist with on-going events.

Training: Training is provided.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background checks may be required.
Wish List: Food, transportation, gas/gift cards, female hygiene products, office supplies, books and school supplies.

JUVENILE ARBITRATION -
9TH CIRCUIT SOLICITOR'S OFFICE
101 Meeting St., Ste. 330
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: A community-based diversion program for first time juvenile offenders charged with committing a nonviolent crime. These youths are diverted from the juvenile justice system to an arbitration hearing conducted near the juveniles' communities. Trained volunteer arbitrators conduct the hearings and monitor the juveniles' progress throughout the program.

Noah Moore
Phone: (843) 958-5150
Email: mooren@scsolicitor9.org
Website: www.juvenilearbitration.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers hear cases for first time juvenile offenders and follow up on requirements that are assigned to the juvenile. Volunteers may also chaperone tours of detention centers, monitor special community service projects & assist with case management in Solicitor's Office.
Training: 21 hours of Arbitrator Training (9-hour training each year after).

Minimum Age: 21
Requirements: All volunteers must undergo criminal background check, have a high school diploma, have no criminal record, commit to hearing two cases per month.

KEEP CHARLESTON BEAUTIFUL
823 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29403



Mission: A group of concerned citizens dedicated to promoting the cleanliness and beautification of the City of Charleston through education, public awareness, and community involvement.

Jennifer Scales
Phone: (843) 579-7501
Email: scalesj@charleston-sc.gov
Website: keepcharlestonbeautiful.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer opportunities focus on community projects and education programs. Opportunities include community cleanups, beautification projects, special events, and Clean City Clara education programs. We provide tools, supplies, and on-site training as needed.
Training: Safety orientation before each cleanup event. Orientation to the Clean City Clara program and safety tips for when you are the mascots. All training and orientations are provided on the same day as the event.

Minimum Age: 18 for education program volunteers; 6 for community events. Any volunteer under 18 years of age must have adequate adult supervision.
Requirements: None

Wish List: Gloves, bug spray, safety vests, first aid kits, pick-up sticks, gardening materials, trash bags, hand sanitizer, gift cards.

KEEP NORTH CHARLESTON BEAUTIFUL
1019 Aragon St.
N. Charleston, SC 29405



Mission: To enhance the beauty of North Charleston by working with on-going beautification programs and recruiting volunteers to help in our beautification efforts.

Carmen Hanlon
Phone: (843) 745-1076
Email: chanlon@northcharleston.org
Website: keepnorthcharlestonbeautiful.org

VOLUNTEER FACT # 8
Fact: English language learners often struggle to read and translate concepts in English without dual language instruction.
Fix: Bi-lingual conversation and shared reading.
GO: Volunteer at the Family Literacy Program or Adult ELL classes near you.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteering at KNCB events, packing cleanup supplies, landscaping; administrative duties in the KNCB office; photographers for KNCB projects and events.
Training: Training will vary depending on volunteer opportunity.
Minimum Age: 18, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
Requirements: None
Wish List: \$25 gift cards for volunteer incentive program, \$100 grocery store gift cards to help facilitate neighborhood cleanups, \$100 home improvement store cards to help facilitate school and neighborhood cleanups, gloves, food and refreshment for events.

LEGARE FARMS EDUCATION FOUNDATION
2620 Hanscombe Point Rd.
Johns Island, SC 29455

Mission: Legare Farms is a program dedicated to educating the public about agriculture in our lives and in our history. Program does hands-on education on their 300-acre farm on Johns Island. Programs include field trips for children, a playground and picnic area, Maze, Pumpkin Patch, and hayrides/bonfires for groups. Summer Camps are held each summer for children ages 6-12.

Linda Legare Berry
Phone: (843) 559-0788
Email: legarefarms@bellsouth.net
Website: www.legarefarms.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Helping with children's events and programs, maintenance of facilities, making signs, passing out flyers, etc.

Training: Orientation and training are required.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Playground equipment, paint, lumber, a small Dutch Barn to be used as a museum, picnic tables and wheelbarrows.

LIFEMANAGEMENT CENTER
628 St. Andrew's Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: LifeManagement Center offers solutions that transform educational and professional challenges into life achievements for children, families, and communities.

Barbara Maiorelle
Phone: (843) 852-5705
Email: barbara.maiorelle@lifemanagement.org
Website: lifemanagement.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with events, general maintenance, IT help. Three locations – Charleston, Mt. Pleasant and Summerville.

Training: Orientation is provided.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: SLED check required if working with children.
Wish List: School supplies, items for the treasure box (candy, music, little toys).

LIFEPOINT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
3950 Faber Place Dr.
Charleston, SC 29405



Mission: Together we change lives through the gift of organ, tissue and eye donation.

Shirley McAdams
Phone: (800) 462-0755
Email: McAdamsS@lifepoint-sc.org
Website: www.lifepoint-sc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Annual 5k/2k run: setting up, planning, registration and more.
Training: Orientation for race volunteers is held the morning of the event.
Minimum Age: 14, unless accompanied by a responsible adult.
Requirements: None
Wish List: Promotional items from approved agencies or businesses.

LIL SHEPPARD CHILD CARE CENTER
207 Grace St.
Moncks Corner, SC 29483

Mission: Committed on surpassing expectations in the child care industry through understanding the trust parents place in us when putting their children in a daycare program. Every Lil Angels Child Care Center staff member will be committed to providing professional services, nurturing, and warm environment for all children. Vision statement: through his diverse areas of expertise and knowledge, the owner of the company hopes to provide a warm, secure atmosphere in a learning-based setting where young children come to develop, learn, grow and shine.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Artina Sheppard
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Email: artinashppard@yahoo.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist teachers, clerical work.

Training: Training is available.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Indoor and outdoor toys, books, art supplies.

LOUIE'S KIDS & RUN BUDDIES
PO Box 21291

Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: Louie's Kids is a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization that raises funds to help treat childhood obesity, which afflicts 25 million American children today. Louie's Kids works to find the best treatment options to meet the needs of each child. Founded in 2001 and operated today out of Charleston, SC, Louie's Kids serves economically disadvantaged kids nationwide.

Ashley Gunnin
Phone: (843) 724-9267
Email: info@louieskids.org
Website: www.louieskids.org or
www.runbuddies.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Run Buddies - run/walk athletic mentor to obese or overweight children. Train kids for the Bridge Run and other local races in group settings, or take a walk or run after school or on the weekends. Fundraising and administrative volunteers also needed. *Internship Opportunities:* Fit Club - work with the kids in our 16 week after-school program with journaling, counseling, nutrition, workouts, etc. Must be able to commit to the entire 16-week program. *Events -* Assist with special events, fundraising, media relations for three major events each year that require volunteers: Big Chef Little Chef in June, Slim Down the South Celebrity Softball Game in September and Yoga Marathon in October.

Minimum Age to Volunteer: 18

Training: Orientation for all volunteers; additional training specific to task.

Requirements: Background checks required for those working directly with children. Don't need to be a seasoned runner to be a volunteer!

Wish List: Athletic apparel - shoes, tees, sports bras, gloves, jackets, etc. Office space, furniture, desk, filing cabinets, gas cards for parents, gift cards for healthy groceries, gym memberships, jump ropes, pedometers.

LOWCOUNTRY AIDS SERVICES

3547 Meeting St. Rd.
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: A non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for persons living with HIV/AIDS and providing prevention resources and programs for Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester counties of South Carolina.

Mark Gray
Phone: 747-2273, ext. 213
Email: mgray@aids-services.com
Website: www.aids-services.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Transport clients to medical appointments, deliver groceries to clients, help stock and maintain nutrition center, assist at special events, assist in the office.

Training: Intensive training provided following volunteer screening. No experience necessary.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Canned or dry goods, cleaning supplies (bleach, laundry powders, etc.), personal hygiene items.

LOWCOUNTRY CERT, CHARLESTON COUNTY

4045 Bridge View Dr., Ste. 332
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Community Emergency Response Team program(CERT)is an all-risk all-hazards training

designed to help protect yourself, your family, your neighbors and your community in the event of a disaster. CERT is designed to bridge the gap from the time of the disaster to when emergency agencies are able to respond. CERT training is provide free of charge to citizens in the tricity area.

James Tarter
Phone: (843) 202-7405
Email: jtarter@charlestoncounty.org
Website: www.LCERT.org

Volunteer Opportunities: CERT trained individuals are expected to help individuals and organizations in the community prepare by providing or facilitating education about emergency preparedness; being willing to help neighbors and the community in the event of a disaster, after assuring self and family safety; seeking out and taking advantage of opportunities to enhance emergency preparedness and disaster skills; being willing to participate in team activities, community events, drills and training others; participating in periodic team meetings to organize and maintain activities.



Training: CERT training is provided free of charge in the Tricity area to anyone 18 years old or over. Classes are taught evenings throughout the year.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check.

LOWCOUNTRY ENVIRONMENTAL
EDUCATION PROGRAM (LEEP)

451 Folly Rd.,
Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: To provide opportunities for students of all ethnic or socioeconomic backgrounds to explore South Carolina's natural environment through experiential learning.

Bridget Lussier
Phone: (843) 725-9254
Email: info@sleep.org
Website: www.sleep.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help teach classes on natural history, science and environmental education. Grant writers and fundraisers. Help with special events, nature walks, etc. Currently, funding is not available for ecotours or LEEP bus activities.

Training: Training is provided one-on-one with each volunteer as appropriate for the activity.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: SLED background check.

Wish List: Field trip sponsors. Wetland experiment supplies and equipment. Natural history artifacts.

LOWCOUNTRY EQUINE-ASSISTED
PSYCHOTHERAPY (LEAP)

PO Box 20310
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: To help traumatized youth and adults who have been victims of neglect, physical abuse, and

sexual abuse to overcome the effects of their past experiences and to establish a new, positive path in their lives. LEAP also works with people who suffer from a range of mental health difficulties. LEAP uses Equine-Assisted Psychotherapy (EAP), an approach that uses horses to facilitate the psychological treatment of clients.

Kathleen Broughan
Phone: (843) 723-0659
Email: leapinsc@comcast.net
Website: www.LEAPinSC.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with fundraising events, site maintenance, and horse care (the latter at Wadmalaw facility only). When an opportunity arises for an event-based opportunity, a call for volunteers is sent out to those who have expressed interest. Contact us at leapinsc@comcast.net if you have experience with horses and would like to assist with horse care on Wadmalaw.

Training: Overview of the organization is provided for all volunteers. Orientation to barn and horse care activities is required for those helping with these needs at the Wadmalaw facility.

Minimum Age: Depending on the activity, volunteers typically are 12 years of age or up. Children under 18 must be supervised by an adult.

Requirements: None

Wish List: Building materials (e.g., fence boards).

LOWCOUNTRY FOOD BANK

2864 Azalea Dr.
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: To feed the hungry of the ten coastal counties of South Carolina by soliciting and distributing healthy food and grocery products to nonprofit agencies serving the poor and by educating the public about the problems of and solutions to domestic hunger.

Mary Kate McLernon
Phone: (843) 747-8146 x120
Email: mmclernon@lcfbank.org
Website: www.lowcountryfoodbank.org

Volunteer Opportunities: General reclamation, the process by which we examine all items donated to the Food Bank. Cooking in our Production Kitchen for various community programs. Administrative opportunities as well as some gardening and special events.

Training: All individual volunteers must come for a volunteer orientation that takes about an hour to complete. We go over what we do and how we work in the community as well as the opportunities available. Please call if you have a group.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Everyone must fill out an application.

Wish List: Proteins, fruits and vegetables, bread products, snacks, herbs or spices, as well as canned dairy products.

LOWCOUNTRY FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

259 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: Active seniors, 55 and older, work one-on-one with children considered to be at risk of failure. Foster Grandparents serve in schools, residential facilities, Head Starts, after school programs and day cares for a minimum of 15 hours per week. Foster Grandparents provide individual attention and encouragement to children who need it most.

Mary Chris Pittman
Phone: (843) 722-4127
Email: marychrisp@charlestonareaseniors.com
Website: charlestonareaseniors.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Seniors 55 and older tutor,

mentor, nurture at risk children in a variety of settings. *Training:* 20 Hours of Pre-service Orientation (including Darkness to Light Stewards of Children) as well as 4 hours monthly of on-going training/ educational opportunities. Volunteers must be able to work under supervision and have a genuine love for children.



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Minimum Age: 55
Requirements: Criminal background check (including fingerprinting) and national sex offender checks. Volunteers must have an annual physical and be physically and mentally able to work with active children for up to four hours daily.
Wish List: Any gift cards or gift items to be used as appreciation for our volunteers.



LOWCOUNTRY HOUSE RABBIT SOCIETY
2111 Royal Castle Ln.
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission: Lowcountry House Rabbit Society(HRS) is dedicated to rescuing rabbits in danger of euthanasia at shelters as well as those who have been abandoned and/or neglected. The rabbits are placed with indoor foster homes until permanent homes can be found that meet our qualifications. Furthermore, Lowcountry HRS is dedicated to providing education to both children and adults so that rabbits are treated as part of the family and cared for properly. Lowcountry HRS serves the SC Lowcountry area (in and near Charleston, SC).

Jenni Beard

Email: info@lowcountrybunny.com
Website: www.lowcountrybunny.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Foster homes for the rabbits.

Training: Training and orientation is provided.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: May require references. Must have a stable living situation (no college dorms or similar shared housing situations). Home visits are required after the fosterer has displayed competent knowledge of caring for rabbits properly and for screening.

LOWCOUNTRY LOCAL FIRST

1345 Ave. G
N. Charleston SC, 29405

Mission: To advocate the benefits of a local living economy by strengthening community support of local independent businesses and farmers.

Kat Martin

Phone: 843-740-5444

Email: kat@lowcountrylocalfirst.org

Website: lowcountrylocalfirst.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers needed to assist with fundraising events, membership outreach, data entry and there are some opportunities for farm support labor.

Training: Orientation provided.

Minimum Age: 16; younger with a responsible adult.

Requirements: Previous volunteer references appreciated.

Wish List: Computer, desk, projector, screen, picnic table.

LOWCOUNTRY ORPHAN RELIEF

PO Box 1074
Charleston, SC 29402

Mission: To provide basic necessities to children who have been abused, abandoned or neglected. We intervene at critical junctures with products and services that provide maximum positive impact.

Rhonda Dougherty

Phone: (843) 747-4099

Email: info@lowcountryorphanrelief.org

Website: www.lowcountryorphanrelief.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Special events/outings with children (must have background checks). Hold drives for toys, books, clothing, baby items, school supplies, toiletries and more. Volunteers also staff the donation center during weekdays where they will sort and size donations.

Training: Available for volunteers in the donation center.

Minimum Age: 18; volunteers younger than 18 may work in the donation center if accompanied by an adult.

Requirements: Background checks required if working directly with children.

Wish List: New or gently used clothing, toiletries, baby items, books, school supplies, pampers, baby wipes, gift cards to Wal-Mart or Target.

LOWCOUNTRY PREGNANCY CENTER

7481 Northside Dr.
N. Charleston, SC 29420

Mission: To reach out to young women who are struggling with an unplanned pregnancy. We understand the need for her to have time to talk with a person who will respect her confidentiality. Our goal is to help her make an informed decision.

Joy Yarborough

Phone: (843) 553-3505

Email: joy@lowcountrypregnancycenter.com

Website: www.lowcountrypregnancycenter.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Peer counselors, certified medical personnel administrative assistance, baby needs distribution and fundraising activities.

Training: Training varies based on volunteer activity.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Volunteer interview and criminal background check.

Wish List: New baby items for our educational incentive programs. Also, diapers sizes 3-5.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 9
Agencies that use volunteers are sometimes overwhelmed with project planning. Support their efforts by becoming a volunteer "volunteer coordinator."

LOWCOUNTRY SENIOR CENTER

865 Riverland Dr.
Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: The Lowcountry Senior Center invites adults age 50 and older to learn, exercise, and enjoy social activities with their peers. The center's philosophy is based on high-level wellness, or the integration of mind, body and spirit throughout life's journey.

Lisa Blasco

Phone: (843) 762-9555

Email: lisa.blasco@RSFH.com

Website: www.lowcountryseniorcenter.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Front Desk Volunteer staffs the Lowcountry Senior Center's front desk and answers the telephone during a weekly 2 to 4 hour shift. Computer Instructors teach or assist in the teaching of basic computer classes such as Introduction to Internet and Email and Basic Word Processing. Help members with basic computer questions during Open Lab times.

Training: Volunteer training includes orientation training, application form, letter of recommendation, core competency quiz and job position assigned.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Criminal background check.

LUTHERAN HOSPICE, LOW COUNTRY

1885 Rifle Range Rd., Ste. 46
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Mission: Believing in the presence of God among us, affirming the value of human life and the dignity of the individual, the mission of Lutheran Hospice is to provide compassionate end-of-life care to people of all ages and faiths. Through teamwork and the Lutheran Hospice heart, we respond with integrity and strength of spirit.

Kathy Barham

Phone: (843) 856-4735

Email: KBarham@lutheranhospice.org

Website: www.lutheranhospice.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Patient/family support, administrative support, and special services. Pet "Peace of Mind" program.

Training: Training provided based on the volunteer opportunity.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Lap quilts, handmade seasonal crafts.

MAGDALENE HOUSE OF CHARLESTON

PO Box 22036
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: Magdalene House is a two year residential and outreach program for women. These women have been released from a correctional facility, jail, prison, treatment facility or come to Magdalene House from the streets.

Freda Lewis

Phone: (843) 724-9292

Email: magdalenehouse1@comcast.net

Website: magdalenehouseofcharleston.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Drivers, devotional leaders, mentors, budgeting counselor, credit counselors, health and wellness instructions, tutors/education planning.

Training: Training and orientations are provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check and reference checks for all volunteers. Valid SC Driver's License and verification of insurance if driving.

Wish List: Toiletries, cleaning supplies, office supplies, women's clothing, shoes and coats.

MARCH OF DIMES

1064 Gardner Rd., Ste. 314
Charleston, SC 29407



Mission: To improve the health of babies by preventing premature birth, birth defects and infant mortality.

Meredith Repik

Phone: (843) 571-1776

Email: mreplik@marchofdimes.com

Website: marchofdimes.com/southcarolina

Volunteer Opportunities: Office work, filing, preparing mailings, working on special events and several fundraising events, working on committees for events held locally, including our Chefs Auction and March for Babies events.

Training: On-the-job training by on-site staff.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: None

Wish List: Baby items, diapers, bottles, blankets, office supplies, paper, business merchandise for our Signature Chefs Auction.

MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

32 Ann St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: Every child has the five fundamental resources (caring adult, safe places, healthy start and future, marketable skills, and opportunities to serve) to reach their highest potential, develop confidence, character, and competence to live a healthy, fulfilling life, and contribute positively to the community.

Mindy Sturm

Phone: (843) 965-4190

Email: sturmm@ci.charleston.sc.us

Website: www.charleston-sc.gov/mocyf

Volunteer Opportunities: Lunch buddies at James Simons and Mitchell Elementary schools; mentoring; First Day Festival preparation and day of; special events; National Days of Service

Training: Orientation is provided for all; training provided based on the opportunity.

Minimum Age: 19 for mentoring programs; 15 for special events.

Requirements: Background checks for all of our mentoring volunteer opportunities; other events are on a case by case basis.

Wish List: School supplies, equipment, tables and tents for the First Day Festival.

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MEALS ON WHEELS -

EAST COOPER
PO Box 583
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465



Mission: East Cooper Meals on Wheels is an organization whose primary mission is to deliver daily nutrition to residents within our service area who are homebound or unable to provide their own meals. We also advocate on behalf of recipients whose needs exceed the scope of our programs.

Cecilia Eaton
Phone: (843) 881-9350
Email: ceaton@ecmow.org
Website: www.ecmow.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Packers - package meals for delivery drivers - pick up and deliver meals; administrative support - general office work; event support - various duties.

Training: Training for packing is required. Training for meal delivery is required and consists of actually driving the route with a trainer. Drivers must be able to commit to at least 2 hours per week. Packers must be able to commit at least 1 hour a week.
Minimum Age: 18 for packers; 21 for drivers.
Requirements: SLED background Checks, valid Driver's License, and valid auto insurance.
Wish List: Low Salt/Low Sugar shelf stable food, Ensure/Glucerna nutritional drinks.

MEALS ON WHEELS OF ST. PAUL'S PARISH

PO Box 875
Hollywood, SC 29449

Mission: We provide a nutritious midday meal each weekday to home bound residents of St. Paul's Parish communities. This includes Hollywood, Meggett, Yonge's Island, Ravenel, and Adam's Run. (Zip Codes 29449, 29470, 29426)

LeRoy Seabrook
Phone: (843) 830-3264
Email: lemsbluff@gmail.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Drivers for delivering meals to homes.

Training: Orientation for tasks involved; learning delivery routes.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None

MEALS ON WHEELS OF

SUMMERVILLE

PO Box 592
Summerville, SC 29484



Mission: To provide home-delivered nutritious noon meal service for the elderly or others who are homebound, isolated or incapacitated to the extent that good food preparation is impossible.

Leslie Iannace
Phone: (843) 873-8224
Email: mealsonwheelsofsummerville@yahoo.com
Website: dycon.com/svillemeals

Volunteer Opportunities: Kitchen Helpers package meals for delivery. Delivery Team partners pick up meals at St. Paul's Episcopal and deliver in the Summerville area (teams of two on each of 16 routes).
Training: Required orientation for all volunteers.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None

Wish List: Industrial size cans of food.

MEETING STREET ACADEMY

PO Box 22285
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: Meeting Street Academy is a new independent school in Charleston that has been created with the goal of providing a college preparatory educational program for children whose families would not otherwise be able to afford a traditional private school education.

Patricia Scarry
Phone: (843) 735-7102
Email: pscarry@msa.us.com

Website: www.meetingstreetacademy.org
Volunteer Opportunities: Reading with the children, tutoring, sharing hobbies, administrative work, library assistance, assist with Saturday school, mentoring and lunch buddies.

Training: Training is provided.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background checks for individuals over the age of 18.

Wish List: Books, science equipment.



METANOIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

2005 Reynolds Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405



Mission: Metanoia works with the residents of the Chicora/Cherokee neighborhood in North Charleston to strengthen our community through Youth Leadership Development Programs and Homeownership Development.

Cierra Rogers
Phone: (843) 529-3014
Email: cierra@pushingforward.org
Website: www.pushingforward.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentoring for after-school programs for elementary and high school students, guest speakers and housing rehabilitation projects.

Training: A brief orientation is given.

Minimum Age: 18; some projects are available for younger volunteers.

Requirements: Background check is required for mentors.

Wish List: Gift cards, painting supplies, gently used/new household items, school supplies.

MIDDLETON PLACE FOUNDATION

4300 Ashley River Rd.
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission: The mission of the Middleton Place Foundation, a public non-profit educational trust, is to sustain the highest levels of preservation and interpretation for the collections and programs of the Middleton Place National Historic Landmark, its Gardens, House, Plantation Stableyards and affiliated properties, such as the Edmondston-Alston House.

Katherine S. Norris
Phone: (843) 377-0538
Email: knorris@miltonplace.org
Website: www.miltonplace.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Interpret history of Middleton Place in the Gardens, House Museum and Stableyards as a guide to the public. Provide information to guests about the natural history of the National Historic Landmark property and the history of the Middleton family and the enslaved Africans who inhabited it. Volunteers may also conduct guided house tours at Edmondston-Alston House in downtown Charleston.

Training: Training classes and information packets are provided for all opportunities.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Must have reliable transportation.

MIDLAND PARK COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

2427 Midland Park Rd.
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: Our Goal - A changed life reaching out to help others changes the community for the better. Vision - A healthy, functioning, thriving community less dependent on public assistance.

Wynette Miller
Phone: (843) 553-2012
Email: wynnettemiller@mpmcenter.org
Website: www.riverbluff.org/get-involved/midland-park-community-missions

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist clothing team (sort, hang up, take down); assist food packers (during pantry operation's hours). Offer ESL classes for members of large Hispanic community, and literacy classes for teens/adults who need to read better. Help with general facility repairs and special projects.

Training: Volunteers would be assigned to work with teams who would "shadow" them. ESL and literacy classes would require training that would be provided.

Minimum Age: 15; anyone under 18 must have parental permission.

Requirements: All volunteers 18 and older who may work with minors must complete an application with references and a criminal background is performed.

Wish List: Clothing, shoes, linens (bed/bath) all clean and in good repair. Non perishable foods and personal care products. Plastic grocery bags, clip-type clothes hangers.

MIRROR EQUESTRIAN CENTER

PO Box 21
Summerville, SC 29484

Mission: Riding therapy for people with disabilities and special needs, including children and at-risk teens.

Candy Lott
Phone: (843) 873-3814

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer coordinator, administrative assistant, mentors, leaders/side walkers, computer assistance, fundraising and construction help. 4-H horse program also included.

Training: Depends on the opportunity.

Minimum Age: 12

Requirements: None

Wish List: Building materials, saddles and other tack, stable equipment, horse feed and hay.

MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (MADD) - METRO CHARLESTON

Charleston Police Department
180 Lockwood Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: To stop drunk driving, support victims of this violent crime, and to prevent underage drinking.

Sgt. Jason Emanuele
Phone: (843) 965-4084
Email: emanuelej@charleston-sc.gov
Website: www.madd.org/sc

Volunteer Opportunities: Set up and staff booths, stuff envelopes, answer phones, make phone calls, cut ribbons, victim emotional support and assistance (talking and meeting with victims, accompanying victims to court).

Training: Training is provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

MUSC CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
165 Ashley Ave., MSC332
Charleston, SC 29425



Mission: The MUSC Children's Hospital team is dedicated to discovering better ways to care for the whole child by providing compassionate, child centered services in an environment that fosters

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innovation, collaboration and excellence.

Liz Schreiner
Phone: (843) 792-3120
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Website: www.musckids.com/volunteers

Volunteer Opportunities: Provide developmentally appropriate play, recreational and supportive activities to children in the hospital and in outpatient clinics. Assist inpatient units, clinics and departments with administrative tasks. Group volunteer opportunities are available to prepare and serve meals to families.

Training: Children's Hospital Volunteer orientation covering hospital policies and procedures, occupational safety & health clearance, and an orientation to the specific area of service. Must be able to commit at least 100 for adults and 50 hours for students, split into weekly two or three hour shifts.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check and health screen.

Wish List: Gift cards to buy specific toys & materials for patients, small tape recorders, travel-sized toiletries, place mats, ribbon and new books.

MUSC FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM

2070 Northbrook Blvd., Ste. A-16
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The Family Literacy Program provides parenting training to low-income families with children 2.5 to 5 years of age. Through one-on-one coaching, parents learn how to engage their child in interactive reading and other learning activities.

Kristen Coe
Phone: (843) 876-2506
Email: coekr@musc.edu
Website: http://www.musckids.com/reading

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative opportunities for individuals who are bilingual in Spanish or have experience with social science research methods. Opportunities working with families available to individuals who are bilingual and have previous experience working with young children.

Training: Training for all positions requires approximately 3 hours of orientation. Additional training (approx. 5 hours) for individuals who would like to work with families. Would like volunteer commitment of at least 4 months.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: MUSC background check, TB test, and complete OSHA training online before volunteering onsite.

Wish List: Gently used books for children of all ages.

MUSC MEDICAL CENTER COMPLEX

165 Ashley Ave. - Room 101CH
Charleston, SC 29425

Mission: The mission of MUSC is to provide excellence in patient care, teaching and research in an environment that is respectful of others, adaptive to change, accountable for outcomes. The MUSC Medical Center Complex includes University Hospital, Hollings Cancer, Ashley River Tower and Outpatient Services.

Katy Kuder
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Website: www.MUSCHealth.com/volunteer

Volunteer Opportunities: Clerical work in various departments, floral delivery, escorting patients, clinics, patient visitation, trauma waiting room, information desk, patient transport, inpatient clinical unit, summer sessions for the candy stripe program.

Training: Application and on the job training in each service area.

Minimum Age: 16; minimum age for the Candy Stripe program is 14.

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Gift cards to buy materials for patients, small tape recorders, travel sized toiletries, and new books. Commercial packaged snacks for ICU families are always welcome. Juice boxes, Boost, Ensure, healthy snacks, Wal-Mart cards for fresh fruit. Blankets.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION

29 Leinbach Dr., Ste. B-4
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: Dedication to the eradication of the muscular dystrophies, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's disease), myasthenia gravis, the spinal muscular atrophies, Freidreich's ataxia and a host of other neuromuscular diseases.

Martha Carter
Phone: (843) 556-3654
Email: mcarter@mdausa.org
Website: www.mdausa.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with "Lock Up" fundraiser; drivers; site workers; general office assistance.

Training: Varies with opportunity.

Minimum Age: 15

Requirements: None

Wish List: Wheel chairs, walkers, any equipment for people struggling with neuromuscular disease.



MY SISTER'S HOUSE, INC.

PO Box 71171
N. Charleston, SC 29415

Mission: My Sister's House, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides 24-hour services to domestic violence victims and their children. Its ultimate goal is to empower victims to help themselves and to live a life free from abuse.

Sarah Baird
Phone: (843) 747-4069
Email: sarahbaird@mysistershouse.com
Website: www.mysistershouse.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Answering the hotline and assisting victims in need of help. Organizing shelter supplies and food items. Accompanying victims of domestic violence to court hearings. Providing activities and supervision to children of victims residing in shelter. Representing My Sister's House at area events, school fairs, and community gatherings.

Training: Training is required before volunteers may begin. All training is provided free of charge. Volunteers are asked for a commitment of 60 hours per year. Some volunteer positions (hotline and court advocacy) require additional time commitment.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Application and background check.



Wish List: Paper towels, cleaning supplies, new pots and pans, new pillows and bedding, office supplies.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1214 Middle St.
Sullivan's Island, SC 29482

Mission: The National Park Service preserves unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the national park system for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations. The Park Service cooperates with partners to extend the benefits of natural and cultural resource conservation and outdoor recreation throughout this country and the world.

Gary Alexander
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Email: gary_a_alexander@nps.gov
Website: www.nps.gov/fosu

Volunteer Opportunities: Visitor assistance and historical interpretation at all area park sites. The majority of volunteers contribute their hours in a visitor center setting, or act as the National Park Service representative on board the concession operated Fort Sumter ferries.

Training: Volunteers are trained by staff members or senior volunteers during on-the-job training sessions.

Minimum Age: 18; ages 16 or 17 may volunteer with parental consent in some limited areas.

Requirements: None

NAVY WIVES CLUBS OF AMERICA

Joint Base Charleston Weapons Station
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: National non-profit, charitable group with local clubs at Navy bases to provide a helping hand to the military and the community.

Linda Hedden
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Email: redd5423@bellsouth.net
Website: www.navywivesclubsofamerica.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with the Cast-Aways Thrift Shop at Joint Base Charleston Weapons Station -- sorting, cleaning, preparing for opening and other administrative activities. Volunteers also offer administrative support at schools and nonprofits in the Goose Creek area.

Training: Provided as needed.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Must be Navy, Marine or Coast Guard spouse or an interested individual. Background checks may be required for volunteers at the schools.

Wish List: Clothing, military uniforms, kitchen items and small appliances, and knick knacks.

NAVY-MARINE CORP

RELIEF SOCIETY CHARLESTON
Naval Weapons Station, Bldg. 7117
1004 Jefferson Ave. Extension
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: To ensure that all available resources are used to assist personnel of the Naval services - active, retired, and their dependents - to achieve financial self-sufficiency and find solutions to emergency needs.

David Hastings
Phone: (843) 764-7662
Email: david.hastings@nmcrs.org
Website: www.nmcrs.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Casework - helping individuals with financial needs, making loans or grants. Budget counseling for service members or families budgeting for new babies. Reception - answer phones, make appointments and process clients. **Training:** In-house training and formal training is required for four levels of casework.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: All volunteers must go through a reference check. Volunteers must also be affiliated with the military (child, spouse, government contractor, retired, active duty).



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NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

77 America St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: To be a healing and compassionate presence to the people of the city of Charleston who are economically poor, marginalized and oppressed. We strive to encourage a spirit of respect, self-esteem and interdependence among the people whom we serve.

Valerie Merkel
Phone: (843) 723-7784
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Website: olmoutreach.org/NeighborhoodHouse

Volunteer Opportunities: Computer data entry (Charity Tracker trained); intake process (Benefit Bank trained); office assistance (answering phones, data entry and pre-screening clients); lunch program volunteers; tutors, mentors, job search assistance and resume writing, speakers and presenters for Adult Ed programs; special projects; grant writing; Front Porch Library attendants; Volunteer teams who provide food, cook and serve a meal for 125.

Training: Completion of a tour of Neighborhood House, Volunteer Application and signed Release of Liability and Volunteer Protocol agreements. Training is specific to the program or opportunity.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: References checks. May conduct background checks.

Wish List: Commercial size copier, commercial microwave, non-perishable food, in-season clothing, school supplies, laptops, Truck, 2-line phone system.

NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

402 Liberty Hall Rd.
Goose Creek, SC 29445

Mission: To build up leaders that will impact the nations through a strong Christian Education.

Sylvia White
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Email: academy@newlifegcsc.org
Website: newlifeacademygcsc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative support, classroom support, participate in the "Grandma Readers" program, assist with meals.
Training: Orientation for all; training varies with task.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: TB shots, background check, fingerprint
Wish List: School supplies, computers, educational software, dvd players, cd players, educational toys, and science supplies.

NEWBORNS IN NEED

2194 Coker Ave.
James Island, SC 29412

Mission: To take care of sick and needy babies and their families, and, in cases of crisis, to help where help is needed. Newborns In Need makes baby clothes and blankets and donates them to local hospitals and agencies.

Brenda Kanehl
Phone: (843) 875-7384
Email: grannycrochet@aol.com
Website: www.newbornsinneed.org/sc

Volunteer Opportunities: Sew, crochet, or knit clothes and blankets for babies. Pick up and deliver donations. Help count and distribute the donated items. Volunteers are also encouraged to hold "baby showers" to collect baby items through their school, business, faith-organization, etc.

Training: Classes may be offered in sewing, knitting and crocheting.
Minimum Age: Any age can make blankets or clothes. Minimum age is 16 for other activities.

Requirements: None
Wish List: Fabric, yarn, gift cards to Wal-Mart/Hancock Fabrics, new/gently used baby clothing (up to toddler size) & maternity clothes, baby blankets, disposable diapers, baby toiletries.

NEUVOS CAMINOS

117 S. Main St.
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: Nuevos Caminos is a mission of hope promoting self-sufficiency of the individual, success of the family, and shared community solutions, through outreach, education and advocacy.

Rich Robinson
Email: hope@nuevoscaminos.us
Website: nuevoscaminos.us

Volunteer Opportunities: General administrative tasks; coordination of outreach projects; advocacy project volunteers.

Training: Orientation is provided. Training is dependent upon the activity.

Minimum Age: 15
Requirements: None

Wish List: Diapers of all sizes, wipes, oral hygiene kits for all ages, feminine hygiene products. During Christmas only we collect toys.



ODYSSEY HOSPICE

5965 Core Rd., Ste. 603
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The Hospice Mission is to provide compassionate care to those we serve during the end of life's journey through our commitment to clinical excellence and uncompromising service.

Dana Toth
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Website: www.odsyhealth.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Patient Care Volunteers support our hospice patients through socialization visits to combat loneliness and depression; shared interests to improve quality of life; and may support caregivers by breaking up their normal care routine.

Specific opportunities include Veterans Visiting Veterans-sharing military history and storytelling with our Veterans on hospice; Journey Volunteers-providing a calming presence for someone who is within days/hours of dying in order that they die peacefully in the company of another person; Pet Therapy Volunteers-visit healthcare facilities with their trained pet for resident interaction.

Training: A brief "filtering" discussion is had to identify volunteer needs and interest. Orientation scheduling is flexible.

Minimum Age: 16 for non-patient volunteers; 18 for patient care volunteers.
Requirements: Criminal History and Driving Record checks, as well as a one-time health physical and 2-step PPD test. All Background Checks and health tests are provided by Odyssey Hospice at no cost to the volunteer.

Wish List: Grocery cards, moist wipes, household items, airline miles, gas cards.

OLD EXCHANGE BUILDING

122 E. Bay St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: American Revolutionary War historic building and museum.

Mike Coker
Phone: (843) 727-2165
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Website: www.oldexchange.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Tour Docents (guides), development - fundraising and seeking new exhibits. Training: History and information about the building will be provided. Reciprocal pass to other historical sites in the area are given to volunteers. There is also paid parking for all volunteers.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None

OPERATION HOME

1250 Fairmont Ave.
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Mission: To help low income citizens remain in their homes through increased safety and accessibility by facilitating critical home repairs in Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester counties.

Lisa Potts
Phone: (843) 568-7455
Email: lisa@operationhome.org
Website: www.operationhome.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Building wheelchair ramps. Help with special events and marketing.

Training: Provided by staff.

Minimum Age: 15
Requirements: None

Wish List: Air conditioner units and space heaters.



OUR LADY OF MERCY OUTREACH

1684 Brownswood Rd.
PO Box 607 (mailing Address) 29457
Johns Island, SC 29455

Mission: To provide educational, health, and direct services to people in need on James, Johns and Wadmalaw Islands while encouraging and supporting self-esteem and self sufficiency.

Claire Bergstrom
Phone: (843) 559-4109
Email: cbergstrom@olmoutreach.org
Website: www.olmoutreach.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers tutor afterschool grades 1-5; English as a Second Language tutor and GED study tutors; food and clothing assistance; receptionist.

Training: On-the-job training and training prior to volunteering.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: School supplies, grocery store gift cards, new multi-cultural children's books, non-perishable food, in-season clothing, linens, diapers sizes 3 & up.

PAJAMA PROGRAM

2320 Flying Fish Cr.
Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: To provide new, warm pajamas and books to needy children nationwide, many waiting and hoping to be adopted. Too often, these youngsters have been abused or abandoned and in most cases, have never enjoyed the simple comfort of having a loving mother or father tuck them in at bedtime. By contributing to a warmer and more nurturing environment when they are at their most vulnerable, the Pajama Program gives them a sense of love and belonging.

Kate Counts
Phone: (843) 478-5865
Email: kate@pajamaprogram.org
Website: www.pajamaprogram.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers hold pajama drives or "pajama parties." Volunteers help wrap and distribute pajamas and books throughout the year, especially after Day of Caring and over the holidays.



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Training: Orientation and drive information is provided.
Minimum Age: 16; any age with adult supervision.
Requirements: None
Wish List: New pajamas (especially, boys sizes from child small through adult XXXL) and new or gently used books.

PALMETTO CHILDREN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE
1031 Chuck Dawley Blvd., Ste. 5
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464
Mission: Palmetto Children's Health Initiative is a grant program whose focus is to help eligible families get their children enrolled in Medicaid/Children's Health Insurance Program through the state.
Shelli Quenga
Phone: (843) 577-4122
Email: PCHI@palmettoproject.org
Website: www.childrenhealthsc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Work directly with families to guide them through the application, approval and enrollment process for children's health insurance.
Training: Three-hour training required.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check.

PALMETTO HOUSE
107 Elks Lodge
Summerville, SC 29483
Mission: Mission of the Palmetto House Homeless Shelter is to provide assistance to those in need of basic human necessities and to help clients become self reliant members of our community.
Petra Neumayer
Phone: (843) 486-0861
Email: phaselden@charlestonhomeless.org
Website: www.palmettohouseshelter.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Serve breakfast and dinners, tutoring, mentors, assist residents with job search, cleaning, admin work, activities leader, yard work, transportation for residents for business opportunities. We can match your skills with an opportunity.
Training: All volunteers have to do an orientation and sign a contract.
Minimum Age: 10
Requirements: Minor background check.
Wish List: Toilet paper, ladies deodorant, baby wipes, gas cards, laundry detergent, bottled water, packaged socks, paper towels.

PALMETTO MEDICAL INITIATIVE
PO Box 542
Charleston, SC 29402
Mission: PMI exists to provide sustainable, quality healthcare to those in need while increasing accessibility to global medical missions. Our vision is to see impoverished communities take ownership in a provided sustainable healthcare model so that they may become empowered to bring about long-term change and tangible improvements in quality of life.
Marianne Heis
Phone: 843 696-2223
Email: marianneheis@gmail.com
Website: www.palmettomedical.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Participate on a medical mission trip to Masindi, Uganda. The trip will provide students and professionals the opportunity to use their medical training to have a profound impact in the lives of hurting people. Additionally, you will play a part in a long-term commitment to the people of Uganda which includes the construction and operation of a hospital facility to provide quality care and a focus on preventative health.
Training: PMI holds five training sessions for team members, prior to trip departure. Applications are available at www.palmettomedical.org. Details will be emailed to you once you have been chosen to participate on the team.
Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Volunteers may be subject to background checks or reference checks as needed.
Wish List: Medical supplies, shoes, pens, children's toys and educational supplies.

PALMETTO TECHNOLOGY HUB
635 Rutledge Ave., Ste. 201
Charleston, SC 29403
Mission: To provide technology support and resources to the South Carolina Lowcountry not-for-profit community. Through our web site, local nonprofits can submit a request for tech support. Volunteers sign up through this site to offer their expertise for free. The site is entirely volunteer run and we encourage you to become involved by either giving help, or requesting some tech support.

Lindsey Stewart
Phone: (843) 608-8482
Email: Lindsey@PalmettoTechnologyHub.org
Website: www.palmettotechnologyhub.org
Volunteer Opportunities: Provide help to non-profits in need of tech support -- you may choose cases which reflect your individual strengths. Lead a free class or webinar on a familiar topic.
Training: Orientation to the organization is provided. Training is not required, but Volunteers must specify which areas of tech/support they are proficient, i.e. website building, hardware, social media, certain software, programming, etc.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: General information about the volunteer.

VOLUNTEER FACT #10
Fact: In some area schools, 98% of children come from low-income families and struggle with food security.
Fix: Backpack Buddies meal programs.
GO: Volunteer with a food bank or food pantry to make sure children (and their families) are well-fed and ready to learn (and work).

PARENTS ANONYMOUS® OF SC, INC.
1285 Ave. G
Charleston, SC 29405
Mission: Parents Anonymous® of South Carolina is a private nonprofit organization that works to prevent and stop child abuse and neglect by strengthening families through a statewide network utilizing evidence-based programs and practices.

Shakima Crooks
Phone: (843) 747-0480 X 25
Email: scrooks@paofsc.org
Website: www.paofsc.org
Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with annual events, clerical and administrative support, marketing, advertising, fundraising.
Training: Training and orientation provided.
Minimum Age: 21
Requirements: SLED Check & DSS background check.
Wish List: Copier, furniture, bus passes, van/bus, office supplies.

PATTISON'S ACADEMY
2383 Hwy. 41
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466
Mission: Pattison's Academy will improve the quality of life for children with multiple disabilities by providing comprehensive education and rehabilitation programs.
Sloan Cooper

Phone: (843) 849-6707
Email: sloan.cooper@pattisonsacademy.org
Website: www.pattisonsacademy.org
Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative support, fundraising, event planning, community and public relations, teacher's assistant, after-school assistant, repair work.
Training: Orientation and training is provided.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Any opportunity involving contact with children requires a background check and Darkness to Light training. This is available free of charge.
Wish List: Wipes, hand sanitizer, scent free laundry detergent, paper towels.

PEOPLE ADVOCATING TO CHANGE HUMANITY (PATCH)
2931 D Spruill Ave.
Charleston, SC 29405
Mission: To serve the elderly, disabled, and the poor by providing various programs, activities, education, and affordable housing designed to meet their specific and unique needs.
Clara Lesesne
Phone: (843) 744-1249
Email: evergreen_1818@hotmail.com
Website: www.patchhealthservices.com
Volunteer Opportunities: Clerical work, assisting with residents, landscaping, escorts for clients.
Training: Varies, depending on opportunity.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: There may be a background ground depending on the type of opportunity.
Wish List: linen, bed spreads, towels/wash cloths, medical equipment.

PEOPLE AGAINST RAPE
2154 N. Center St., Ste. 302
N. Charleston, SC 29406
Mission: People Against Rape (PAR) strives to provide the highest quality of services to children and adults in need; provide education and prevention to the public about issues of violence and abuse.
Shaquana Grant
Phone: (843) 745-0144
Email: parvolunteer@knology.net
Website: www.peopleagainstrape.org
Volunteer Opportunities: To offer support, crisis intervention, and advocacy services to sexual assault victims (women, children, and men). To receive calls from the 24-hour PAR Hotline for crisis intervention, information, and referrals.
Training: Must attend 25 hour PAR Advocate training course. Trainings are held 3 times during the year.
Minimum Age: 18 for crisis counselor; 14 for event volunteers
Requirements: State SLED background check.
Wish List: White copy paper.



PET HELPERS ADOPTION CENTER AND SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC
1447 Folly Rd.
James Island, SC 29412
Mission: To end the euthanasia of all adoptable cats and dogs by keeping all animals until adopted; providing low-cost spay/neuter surgeries; offering humane education programs; pursuing animal cruelty prosecution; and initiating animal welfare legislation.
Erica Marcus
Phone: (843) 795-1110 x24
Email: volunteer@pethelpers.org
Website: www.pethelpers.org
Volunteer Opportunities: Special events, working in the shelter, office help, and fostering pets.
Training: Orientation and supervision is provided by shelter staff.
Minimum Age: 17; opportunities are available for volunteers 12-16 with parents on-site.
Requirements: None

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Wish List: Heating pads that don't automatically shut off, kitten milk replacement, peanut butter, cat collars, dog collars, and dry and wet cat food and dog food.

PIEDMONT HOSPICE
501-A Deanna Ln.
Wando, SC 29492

Mission: Guided by a tradition of personal, clinical and technological excellence, we believe that serving patients in the community setting is the most important activity of the organization. We are dedicated to providing the highest quality of patient care with compassion and respect for each person.

Emmie Chenault
Phone: (843) 766-3331
Email: echenault@hospicesc.com
Website: www.piedmonthospice.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Providing support to hospice patients and their families and caregivers - respite care, reading, running errands, transporting to appointments, etc. Administrative and clerical assistance. Sharing creativity, skills, and talent through therapeutic and alternative medicine treatments. Training: Orientation and training are required. Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Background checks for all volunteers; TB tests for all with direct patient care.
Wish List: Office supplies/furniture, lift chairs.

PRESERVATION SOCIETY
OF CHARLESTON
147 King St.
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: Founded in 1920, the mission of the Preservation Society of Charleston is to inspire the involvement of all who dwell in the Lowcountry to honor and respect our material and cultural heritage. The Preservation Society is the nation's oldest non-profit member-based preservation organization.

Ginger Scully
Phone: (843) 722-4630
Email: gscully@preservationsociety.org
Website: www.preservationsociety.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers assist with the Annual Fall Tours of Homes and Gardens as house guides, garden guides, street marshals, ticket office personnel and telephone order takers. The Fall Tours are held each September and October. The Society seeks volunteers year round to help other aspects of the organization.

Training: Depends on volunteer opportunity.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None
Wish List: Use of a utility vehicle to help carry supplies for the fall tours, candles and umbrellas.

PROJECT EVERGREEN'S
GREENCARE FOR TROOPS

Multiple Locations Throughout the Tricounty and the state of South Carolina
Mission: To provide free lawn care to U.S. military families at home while their loved ones serve us in the Armed Forces. This is one small burden that together we can bear during this difficult time.

Joy Westenberg
Phone: (888) 611-2955
Email: joywestenberg@projectevergreen.com
Website: www.projectevergreen.com/gcft

Volunteer Opportunities: Registered volunteers with GreenCare for Troops provide free lawn mowing, edging, weed flowerbeds, rake leaves in the fall, bed edging, trimming shrubs, help with lawn care needs. The GreenCare program is active all over the country. There is also a SnowCare for Troops in areas where the weather warrants the need.

Training: Orientation to the program is available online, by email or by phone.
Minimum Age: 18, younger volunteers must be supervised.
Requirements: Must agree to terms and conditions.
Wish List: Volunteers can donate to their military family.

PROJECT HERO
4720 Jenkins Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Project HERO aims to improve the academic outcomes of second graders in the Innovation Zone Learning Community through comprehensive literacy tutoring.

Katy Simison
Phone: (843) 745-7150
Email: kathy_simison@charleston.k12.sc.us
Website: www.ccsdschools.com/Schools/InnovationZone/hero.php

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutor 10-15 second graders (individually or in small groups) using literacy interventions. Improve school capacity through volunteer initiatives. Lead activities as a Summer Literacy Camp Counselor.

Training: Week-long orientation in addition to monthly professional developments.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background checks include SLED, FBI fingerprinting, and Sex Offender Registry. Must be U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident, have a high school diploma/GED or willing to earn one while serving.



PRO-PARENTS

Please Refer To Agency
Mission: To enhance the abilities of families to assist children and young adults with disabilities in obtaining services and opportunities needed to become successful adults.

Kim Preston
Phone: (843) 863-1512
Email: kpreston@proparents.org
Website: www.proparents.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assisting with information distribution; arranging and publicizing workshops; clerical help; assisting in planning of special events; and donations, assisting another parent with a need in special education.

Training: Must attend various workshops offered by PRO-Parents.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None
Wish List: Basic office supplies, 3-ring binders, pocket folders, overhead projector, materials for lending library and in-kind donations for workshops.

RALPH A. JOHNSON VETERAN'S AFFAIRS
MEDICAL CENTER

109 Bee St.
Charleston, SC 29401
Mission: Provides general hospital services & clinics.
Fred Lesinski or Gail Taylor
Phone: (843) 789-7488
Email: gail.taylor@va.gov
Website: www.vavolunteer.va.gov

Volunteer Opportunities: Staffing information center, craft cart, coffee cart, office workers, fundraisers, and other opportunities related to patients and hospital visitors.

Training: Orientation is provided. Training depends on volunteer opportunity.

Minimum Age: 14
Requirements: Background check is required for all over 18 years old.

Wish List: CARTA bus cards, pre-paid 30 minute telephone cards, Wal-mart gift cards, new undergarments, especially for women.

RAMP IT UP
PO Box 71486

N. Charleston, SC 29415
Mission: To build every needed home access ramp in the Tri-County.

Chuck Coward
Phone: (843) 200-2391
Email: chuck@HumanNeedsNetwork.com
Website: www.RampItUpSC.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Ramp construction takes place in three phases: 1. Off-site Pre-fab work 2. Transport of ramp pieces 3. On-site construction. Coordinating a project (with guidance); leading a prep or construction team; being a team member - construction, site clean up, food & water provision, etc. Training: Team leaders must experience the full process prior to leading a team.
Minimum Age: 13, with limitations.
Requirements: Register as a team or as an individual
Wish List: Truck and trailer for delivery. Complete ramp donation (approximately \$900).

REACH US SEA-CEED
19 Hagood Ave., Ste. 304, MSC 803
Charleston, SC 29425

Mission: REACH US SEA-CEED aims to reduce risks and prevent complications of diabetes related to hypertension, stroke, and amputations in African Americans. The center works with more than 13,000 African Americans in the action communities of Charleston and Georgetown counties and plans to reach 1,750,000 more (approximately 300,000 with diabetes) in South Carolina, North Carolina & Georgia.

LaTanya Fisher
Phone: (843) 792-5874
Email: fishel@musc.edu
Website: http://www.musc.edu/reach

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative/office assistance to complete specific projects including development of a diabetes directory, compiling diabetes volunteer toolkit and updating literature. Assist with event planning and to provide coverage at conferences, events, etc. Assist with our diabetes marketing campaign & creative ideas for diabetes education.

Training: Volunteers will be trained by REACH (College of Nursing) professional team and through MUSC, when needed.

Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Must be cleared through MUSC Human Resources Department.

REIN AND SHINE
5220 Bedaw Farm Dr.
Awendaw, SC 29429

Mission: To create and sustain an equine therapy facility where people with disabilities of all kinds can learn, grow and heal.



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Mackie Moore
Phone: (843) 849-0964
Email: mmoore@reinandshine.org
Website: www.reinandshine.org

Volunteer Opportunities: We use volunteers to side walk and horse handle during lessons. We also have opportunities for volunteer feeders, barn help, fundraising, marketing etc.

Training: We have volunteer training for sidewalkers, horse handlers and feeders. This is a hands on opportunity to learn all aspects of the therapeutic lesson.

Minimum Age: 16; younger volunteers are welcome with a parent/guardian.

Requirements: Required paperwork includes a background check, medical release form, photo release, confidentiality, and general information.

Wish List: Saddles, feed, office supplies, games/toys, cleaning supplies, new riding helmets, laptop computers, bridles.

RESPIRE CARE CHARLESTON
405 King St.
Charleston, SC 29403



Mission: Respite Care Ministries strives to improve the quality of life for individuals and families coping with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD).

Margaret Kunes
Phone: (843) 723-1611 ext. 115
Email: info@respitecarecharleston.org
Website: www.respitecarecharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Social Day Program volunteers; activity volunteers; committee positions; intern opportunities; social media coordinator and more.

Training: On site orientation.

Minimum Age: 18; opportunities for individuals under the age of 18 are possible.

Requirements: None

Wish List: iPod, iPod speakers, art supplies and activity specific volunteers (art, exercise, music, discussion group), meals for 25-30 people like a lasagna, soup & sandwich, or some sort of finger food.

RETIRED & SENIOR
VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP)
8085 Rivers Ave., Ste. F
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: To engage persons 55 and older in volunteer service to meet critical community needs; and to provide a high quality experience that will enrich the lives of volunteers.

Pam Dillon
Phone: (843) 764-2323, ext. 381
Email: dillonp@usa.redcross.org
Website: www.lowcountryredcross.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Hundreds of opportunities are available. RSVP volunteers donate their time and skills as Guardians ad Litem, office assistants, school volunteers, library assistants and much more.

Other office locations:

117 S. Main St., Summerville, SC
(843) 821-5000 x 6
rsvpdorchester@yahoo.com

325 E. Main St., Moncks Corner, SC
(843) 761-6033 or 851-4155
t.horry@hotmail.com

217 S. Lemacks St., Ste. 417, Walterboro, SC
(843) 549-6617
jpricersvp@lowcountry.com

Training: Depends on volunteer opportunity chosen.

Minimum Age: 55

Requirements: A few volunteer assignments require background checks.

Wish List: Yarn, baby yarn and child-printed cotton material, small desktop-copier, stuffing and Velcro.

RIVERSIDE HEALTH AND REHABILITATION
2375 Baker Hospital Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: To provide quality and comprehensive health care for our residents in a variety of long and short term care scenarios.

Jennifer Bankey
Phone: (843) 744-2750 ext 7510
Email: jennifer.bankey@fundlhc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Working with the activities department, assisting with groups such as bingo, baking groups, outings, trivia groups or one to one visits with residents.

Training: A corporate orientation will be successfully completed before shadowing with an activities assistant starts.

Minimum Age: 18; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Requirements: Upon completion of volunteer application a background and reference check will be completed by the facility. If a youth is volunteering, a consent form will be filled out.

Wish List: Stuffed animals, lotions, crossword and Word Find Books, jigsaw puzzles, holiday decorations televisions, radios.



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE
CHARITIES OF CHARLESTON
81 Gadsden St.
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: Ronald McDonald House Charities provides care and comfort to families of seriously ill children through the operation of the Ronald McDonald House and the Ronald McDonald Family Room at MUSC. The Ronald McDonald House provides a "home away from home" for families of seriously ill children. The Ronald McDonald Family Room at MUSC provides a safe have within the hospital for families of pediatric patients.

Barbara Bond
Phone: (843) 723-7957
Email: barbara@RMHCharleston.org
Website: www.RMHCharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Provide the evening meal, answer the phones, clean the closets, help with fundraisers and tell our story to the community.

Training: Volunteers are given an orientation and then are given on the job training.

Minimum Age: 18; younger if accompanied by an adult.

Requirements: Background check.

Wish List: Non perishable foods; fresh foods prepared in our kitchen; pop tabs - they really add up to \$\$\$; linens - white single sheets and towels; office supplies; cleaning supplies; paper products.

ROPER HOSPITAL
316 Calhoun St.
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: Healing all people with compassion, faith and excellence.

Lynne Collier
Phone: (843) 724-2080
Email: lynne.collier@rsfh.com
Website: www.ropersaintfrancis.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Information desk, greeters, unit assistance.

Training: Orientation and training are provided.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check, TB testing, reference letter.
Wish List: Newer magazines and books.

RURAL MISSION, INC.
3429 Camp Care Rd.
PO Box 235
Johns Island, SC 29457

Mission: The Rural Mission serves low income families, migrants, the elderly and children with basic human needs including decent and safe housing, crisis and emergency assistance and referrals. The Mission serves the rural Sea Island area of Charleston County and neighboring areas.

Chris Brooks
Phone: (843) 725-9698
Email: chrishbrooks11@gmail.com
Website: www.ruralmission.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with migrant children, office assistance, housing repair, help with events.

Training: Training is provided.
Minimum Age: 13; under 13 with parent supervision.

Requirements: Background check for those working with children on a long-term basis.

Wish List: Clothing, furniture, nonperishable food.

RYAN WHITE HIV CARE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
2095 Henry Tecklenburg Dr., Ste. 311 W.
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission: A federally funded program that helps coordinate comprehensive medical care for people living with HIV/AIDS. We strive to bring compassion, faith, and excellence to people living with HIV/AIDS.

Ashley Redmond
Phone: (843) 402-1067
Email: ashley.redmond@rsfh.com
Website: www.ryanwhiteofcharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Office duties such as stuffing envelopes and filing, assisting with events such as the AIDS Walk and Dining Out For Life.

Training: To volunteer in our office you must contact Joan Perry (joan.perry@rsfh.com) to go through the Roper St. Francis Healthcare Volunteer training. If you want to volunteer for events such as AIDS Walk or Dining Out For Life, training will be held for each event.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Differ per volunteer opportunity.

Wish List: Household items (pots, pans, plates, silverware, etc.) and clothing.

THE SALVATION ARMY
4248 Dorchester Rd.
N. Charleston, SC 29405



Mission: The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Thomas Richmond or Kiki Cooper
Phone: (843) 747-5271
Email: thomas_richmond@uss.salvationarmy.org or kiki.cooper@uss.salvationarmy.org

Website: www.salvationarmycharleston.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist with the After School Program, Summer Day Camp, Men's Shelter, Family Store, general office work, building maintenance or grounds keeping.

Training: Dependent on opportunity and length of time of volunteer partnership. Phone interview, face to face interview and tour of facilities, general orientation.

Minimum Age: Depends on opportunity. Some opportunities as young as 12+ others require adult supervision.

Requirements: When working in After School Program and Summer Day Camp - background check is

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required. All others dependent on opportunity and if coming with an organization or individually. If individual, phone reference checks are conducted. Wish List: Food, new and gently used clothes household items furniture and books, toiletries, gift cards for gas, CARTA bus passes.

SC GEAR UP
SC Chamber Of Commerce
1201 Main St., Ste. 1700
Columbia, SC 29201



Mission: Every child with "unfulfilled promise" has a responsible, caring mentor so that each child knows someone believes in him/her.

Donna Turbeville
Phone: (803) 255-2636
Email: donna.turbeville@scchamber.net
Website: www.scchamber.net

Volunteer Opportunities: Program is active in six Tricounty area schools. Volunteers are asked to provide young people with a special encouraging relationship that will become a foundation for success. Mentors, lunch buddies, and classroom tutors are needed.

Training: Orientation and training are required.
Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background checks.

Wish List: School supplies, library books, and office supplies.

SC MARITIME FOUNDATION
PO Box 22405
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: South Carolina Maritime Foundation's mission is to create opportunities for life-changing experiences resulting in leaders for tomorrow's communities.

Beth Spencer
Phone: (843) 722-1030 ext. 14
Email: espencer@scmaritime.org
Website: www.scmaritime.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist during Foundation events. There are also volunteer opportunities available aboard the Spirit of South Carolina. Training: Training is provided and required for certain positions.

Minimum Age: 15
Requirements: None

SC OYSTER RESTORATION AND
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (SCORE)
217 Fort Johnson Rd.
Charleston, SC 29412

Mission: The SC Oyster Restoration and Enhancement (SCORE) program is a volunteer based community oyster habitat restoration program of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources. Volunteers work alongside SCDNR biologists to create oyster habitat and enhance the local population of oysters.

Michael Hodges
Phone: (843) 953-9241
Email: hodgesm@dnr.sc.gov
Website: http://score.dnr.sc.gov/

Volunteer Opportunities: Assist scientists restoring oyster habitat throughout the Lowcountry of South Carolina. Recycle and bag shell in the fall, winter, and spring; build oyster reefs in the summer; and monitor water quality year round.

Training: Training and orientation for all events will be provided the day of the event. Training for water quality is provided on an ongoing basis.

Minimum Age: 14, unless accompanied by an adult.
Requirements: Closed-toed shoes.

SC SEA GRANT CONSORTIUM
287 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: Enhancing the practical use and conservation of South Carolina's coastal and

marine resources to foster a sustainable economy and environment.

Susan Ferris Hill
Phone: (843) 953-2078
Email: susan.ferris.hill@scseagrant.org
Website: www.scseagrant.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Beach Sweep/River Sweep statewide litter cleanup, held every third Saturday in September in conjunction with the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup. Training: Brief orientation is provided. Minimum Age: Opportunities are available to all ages with appropriate supervision for minors. Requirements: None

SERENITY PALLIATIVE AND HOSPICE CARE
12 Farmfield Ave., Ste. B
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: Serenity Palliative and Hospice Care is committed to ease the pain and manage symptoms that interfere with a patient's comfort and quality of life.

Carol Witter
Phone: (843) 556-3119
Email: cpwitter@aol.com



Volunteer Opportunities: Friendly visits to patients and their families, read to patients, spend time with patients who need companionship, run errands for caregivers or sit with patients while caregivers run errands, light housekeeping, make phone calls to families, make and/or deliver treats to patients for special occasions, answer phones and assist with office duties such as mailings, filing or assembling packets, assist with various events (i.e., memorial services, health fairs, etc.) Training: Orientation and training are required. Minimum Age: 16 Requirements: Background check and drug test. Wish List: Kind donations of toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, or quilts or lap blankets.

SERVICE CORPS OF RETIRED
(AND ACTIVE) EXECUTIVES



4500 Leeds Ave., Ste. 100
Charleston Metro Chamber Of Commerce
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Retired and active executives provide private, confidential consultation, seminars, printed materials and assistance to businesses or people trying to start a business.

Elizabeth (Libby) Conway
Phone: (843) 727-4778
Email: info@score285.org
Website: www.coastal.score.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Individuals with broad experience in starting and operating a small business. Successful entrepreneurs who are willing to advise other fledgling entrepreneurs and help present workshops/seminars.

Training: New counselor training consists of classes and apprenticeship programs. Must be able to commit to one day per month from 10:00am-2:00pm and attend Chapter Meetings.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Business references are required; background checks may be required.

SHAW COMMUNITY CENTER - SCMF
Robert Gould Shaw Community Center
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: To create opportunities for life-changing experiences resulting in leaders for tomorrow's communities.

Phil Frandino
Phone: (843) 300-7249
Email: phil_frandino@charleston.k12.sc.us
Website: www.scmartime.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Homework assistance, tutoring, gardening, music instruction, poetry writing, home maintenance instruction, marine science and heritage instruction, etc. Once a planned kitchen is renovated, cooks for preparation and serving. Training: Volunteers should have experience in working with disadvantaged youth, but not necessary. The ability to commit to an extended (months on end) time frame to build relationships is critical. Professional staff will provide training in areas of interest.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: All volunteers will be required to complete a SC SLED background check, monitored by the City of Charleston since we work mainly with school age children. Should have the ability to connect with youth from disadvantaged and troubled backgrounds.

Wish List: Athletic equipment, school supplies, food supplies (snacks or heavy hors d'oeuvres type food), Dollar Store/WalMart/Target gifts for PBIS (positive behavior incentive system).

SOUTH CAROLINA AQUARIUM
100 Aquarium Wharf
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: The South Carolina Aquarium inspires conservation of the natural world by exhibiting and caring for animals, by excelling in education and research, and by providing an exceptional visitor experience.

Rexanna Bell
Phone: (843) 579-8553
Email: RBell@scaquarium.org
Website: www.scaquarium.org

Volunteer Opportunities: We recruit for exhibit guides on a consistent basis. Exhibit guides serve as ambassadors for the Aquarium, interacting with visitors, expanding their experience here and answering their questions. Volunteers will be contacted and invited to participate in orientations based on our need and their availability.

Training: Please submit your application online. General training will be provided at orientation. Specific training will be conducted by Volunteer Supervisors.

Minimum Age: 13-15 for SPLASH Volunteers - parent/child teams. 16-17 for AquaTeens summer volunteers. All other volunteers must be at least 18. Requirements: Volunteers must make a commitment for at least a year.

SOUTH CAROLINA QUILTS OF VALOR
165 Cotillion Crescent
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: South Carolina Quilts of Valor is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization making quilts for America's service men and women who have been injured in the line of duty. The South Carolina group is made up of about 50 individuals primarily from the Charleston area.

Donnita Cook

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Phone: (843) 696-1956
Email: info@sonshinequilting.com
Website: www.SCOOV.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Quilters and sewers of all skill levels. Even volunteers who do not know how to sew, but would be willing to help press fabric or help organize or cut the fabric that we use.
Training: All new members are asked to begin by pressing fabric, working with an experienced member of the group who will assess your skill level and advise on the next step. This also allows new members to become more familiar with our procedures as well as other members.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: None
Wish List: New, quality cotton fabric purchased from a fabric store.

SOUTH SANTEE SENIOR & COMMUNITY CENTER
710 South Santee Rd.
McClellanville, SC 29458
Mission: South Santee Senior & Community Center is a multi-service organization whose purpose is to provide services and information to elderly residents and their families to enable elderly adults to maintain their independence, dignity and quality of life and to provide a structured and quality after school program.

Sheila Powell
Phone: (843) 546-2789
Email: sosantee@frontier.com

Volunteer Opportunities: After-school tutors, arts & crafts volunteers, senior activities assistants, homebound or home care volunteers. Office assistance, physical fitness volunteers, clerical, van driver and web designer.
Training: On-site and network training available.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background checks.
Wish List: Building supplies for outdoor eating area, foods, etc., arts and craft supplies, especially sewing items. Books and games for the children. Laptop computers. Ice maker.

SOUTHERNCARE HOSPICE 
9294 Medical Plaza Dr.
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: To assure that residents of its services locales have access to a program of care that enhances the quality of life for the terminally ill and their families. Care of the whole person is emphasized by providing physical, spiritual and emotional support to all medically appropriate persons, without discrimination.

Rachel Pineda
Phone: (843) 569-0870
Email: rachel.pineda@southerncareinc.com
Website: www.southerncareinc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Patient visits, serve on hospice team as a special facilitator. Assist in clerical duties relating to the office. Provide ongoing grief support to our hospice families. Assist with special events, games and parties.
Training: Orientation and training are provided.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Socks, slippers, window air conditioners, food items, toiletries, blankets, any gently used clothing, any usable household items, stuffed animals, ornaments, etc.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS SC
PO Box 1075
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29465



Mission: To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts

skills and friendships with their families, and other Special Olympics Athletes and the community.

Lucy Swaffield
Phone: (843) 795-6226
Email: LucySwaffield@bellsouth.net
Website: www.so-sc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Coaches and assistant coaches, event volunteers, fundraising.
Training: Training is provided for coaches.
Minimum Age: 14; younger with supervision.
Requirements: Background checks for volunteers who want to be coaches.
Wish List: Gently used or new sports equipment (varies depending on season), meals.

SPOLETO FESTIVAL USA
14 George St.
Charleston, SC 29401



Mission: To create a comprehensive and innovative arts festival in Charleston, South Carolina. The Festival produces and presents events featuring an international mix of distinguished artists and emerging talent. The Festival seeks excellence in all its endeavors as it strives to provide excitement, enjoyment, and education for artists and audiences alike.

David Graham
Phone: (843) 722-2764
Email: davidg@spoletousa.org
Website: www.spoletousa.org



Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative assistance - answering and directing phone calls; assisting with mailings (stuffing, labeling, etc.); brochure distribution; data entry. Both long-term and short-term volunteer opportunities are available.

Training: Demonstration of phone system for volunteers answering calls. Other training or orientation as needed.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: None

STEWARDS OF HAMPTON PARK
30 Mary Murray Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29403

Mission: Our mission is to create a park environment that is aesthetically pleasing, and enhances the sense of community through education and stewardship.

Catherine McGuinn
Phone: (843) 958-6434
Email: mcguinncc@charleston-sc.gov
Website: charlestoncityinfo/dept/content.aspx?nid=578

Volunteer Opportunities: Horticultural related activities in and around Hampton Park.
Training: Orientation provided.
Minimum Age: 17; younger volunteers must be accompanied by an adult.
Requirements: We suggest that volunteers be physically active, that said, special accommodations will be made for volunteers with special needs.

STRAWBERRY ASSISTANCE CENTER (SAC)

118 Rebecca Ln.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461
Mission: To help provide social respite care, meet the needs of families and their caregivers, to lessen the burden that caregivers must endure with aging parents and their aging relatives, especially those with memory loss and dementia-related problems. The center's mission also included emergency food distribution to low income families through out the Tri-county area.

Rev. Alvin Finley
Phone: (843) 607-5007
Email: zsacsc@bellsouth.net
Website: www.strawberryassistancecenter.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Provide social respite care to help meet the needs of families and their caregivers, to lessen the burden that caregivers must endure with aging parents and aging loved ones.
Training: Training to deal with people with memory problems and dementia will be provided.
Minimum Age: 17
Requirements: The staff will interview each volunteer prior to working.
Wish List: Any non-perishable items - canned goods, dry goods and toiletry items.

SUMMERVILLE D.R.E.A.M.

First Citizen's Bank
218 S. Main St.
Summerville, SC 29483
Mission: Summerville D.R.E.A.M. (Downtown Restoration, Enhancement and Management) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in Summerville by enhancing the aesthetic, cultural, social and economic aspects of the downtown area, while preserving its historic identity.



Susan Morris
Phone: (843) 821-7260
Email: susan@summervilledream.org
Website: www.summervilledream.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Help staff booths and help with set-up and clean-up for different events including "Red, White and Blue on the Green," Harvest Moon Festival, Third Thursdays, and Holly Days. Help in the office during the work week 9-5pm.
Training: Training is specific to each event. Office work would involve some computer work as well as filing, collating, delivering information around the town.
Minimum Age: 16
Wish List: Computer, computer paper and ink, paper shredder, office supplies, "A"- frame signs, large bulletin board.

SUMMERVILLE FAMILY YMCA

140 South Cedar St.
Summerville, SC 29483
Mission: The Summerville Family YMCA focuses on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.



Kim Taylor
Phone: (843) 871-9622
Email: kim.taylor2@knology.net
Website: www.summervillymca.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Opportunities at each of three locations: Coaches, construction volunteers, office assistants, wellness center attendants, staffing special events, child watch which includes reading stories to children.
Training: Training procedures vary based upon training opportunity.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Background check.

SUMMERVILLE MEDICAL CENTER

295 Midland Pkwy.
Summerville, SC 29485
Mission: We create a caring environment where healing occurs.

Pat Gerwig
Phone: (843) 832-5276
Email: patricia.gerwig@hcahealthcare.com
Website: www.tridenthealthsystem.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Information Desk volunteers. Waiting room greeters. Deliver mail, flowers, records, other supplies, etc. Clerical duties. Specialized patient interaction. Hospitality cart. Pet therapy.
Training: Attend a structured orientation. Must be able to commit to at least 4 hours per week.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Background check and TB test.

SUMPTER FREE HEALTH CLINIC

PO Box 340
1083 Hwy 35
St. Stephen, SC 29479
Mission: To provide free healthcare to those with no health insurance and to provide other human resources to those who are under served and living in Berkeley County and the surrounding area.

Lucia Browder or Libba Carroll
Phone: (843) 825-3550 or
(843) 907-4023
Email: lbrowder@tds.net or
ecarr267@aol.com

Volunteer Opportunities: We need doctors, nurses, nursing assistants, clerical and clean up.
Training: All new volunteers shadow trained paid or volunteer staff.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Some back ground information is required.
Wish List: Food for food pantry, diapers, cleaning products, toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, etc.).

SUSAN G. KOMEN FOUNDATION

1930 Charlie Hall Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29414
Mission: The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Promise is to save lives and end breast cancer forever by empowering people, insuring quality of care for all and energizing science to find the cures.

Taffy Tamblin
Phone: (843) 556-8011
Email: taffy@komenlowcountry.org
Website: www.komenlowcountry.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Facilitate Race for the Cure and other Komen events. For detailed opportunities visit www.komenlowcountry.org.
Training: Depends on the assignment.
Minimum Age: 16; younger with parents adult supervision.
Requirements: None

THE SUSTAINABILITY INSTITUTE

1441 E. Montague Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405
Mission: To build the capacity in others to create sustainable homes and communities.

Bryan Cordell
Phone: (843) 529-3416
Email: director@sustainabilityinstitutesc.org
Website: www.SustainabilityInstituteSC.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Various community service projects and event planning.
Training: Volunteers often get a hands on feel for home improvements and energy efficiency upgrades.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Sign a waiver in case of loss or injury.

Wish List: insulation caulk and caulk gun, weather stripping, spray foam, compact fluorescent light bulbs, ping pong table.

TAKE IT TO THE STREETS

7620 Rivers Ave., Ste. 370 PMB #322
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: To unite the Church Body in order to take the hope of Jesus Christ to the local community and the world. To move from members to missionaries in our community by emulating Jesus Christ's love towards others through the formation of genuine relationships.

Jesse Williams
Phone: (843) 642-4233
Email: takeittothestreets@gmail.com
Website: www.takeittothestreetsministry.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Neighborhood outreach, passing out food, The Benefit Bank, sports activities with the children on Field Day.
Training: Orientation is provided.
Minimum Age: 16
Requirements: Background check.
Wish List: Gently-used clothing, food items for Field Day.

VOLUNTEER FACT # 11

Fact: There is a lack of expertise in the Lowcountry in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) to fill 21st century jobs.

Fix: Increased exposure to STEM instruction and applications of STEM concepts for students in elementary, middle and high school.

GO: Volunteer with a school robotics team or tutor a child in STEM course work.

TEACHERS' SUPPLY CLOSET

PO Box 12476
Charleston, SC 29422

Mission: To serve the educational and creative needs of children in the low country by providing a unique means to offer free merchandise, donated from businesses and individuals, for teachers to use in their classrooms.

Deborah Halon
Phone: (843) 225-9895
Email: tscloset@knology.net
Website: www.teacherssupplycloset.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Organize product drives at your office, church, social group, etc. Help teachers shop to facilitate a successful shopping experience. Straighten and stock the shelves after shopping days.
Training: Training varies depending on interest.
Minimum Age: 13
Requirements: None
Wish List: Gently used items: stuffed animals, books, art supplies, teacher supplies, treasure chest (incentive items); math & science supplies.

TRICOUNTY FAMILY MINISTRIES

3349 Rivers Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: A Christian ministry whose mission is to provide a framework for ecumenical, cooperative voluntary action to serve persons in need. Tricounty Family Ministries provides basic needs, education, counseling, shelter, prescription assistance and

health navigation to anyone in need in the Tricounty area in a compassionate and loving manner.

Sue Hanshaw
Phone: (843) 747-1788
Email: shandshaw1@comcast.net
Website: www.tricountyfamilyministries.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Homebound Food Service - for the elderly and people with disabilities; Drivers; Health Ministry Program - connect clients with access to pharmaceutical companies, fill out applications, advocate on behalf of client and refer to partnering clinics; Coordinator for Clothes Project; Someone with mechanical skills to oversee maintenance of vehicles; Computer data entry and technical assistance (computer repair, networking, etc.); Nurses, medical professionals for our Healing Hands Ministry.
Training: Orientation for all volunteers. Training depends on specific volunteer opportunity.
Minimum Age: 16. Younger volunteers are allowed with parents or as a youth group.
Requirements: Depends on opportunity.
Wish List: Golf cart, lawn equipment (blower, edger, lawnmower, etc.), walk-in refrigeration equipment, pickup truck, delivery vans, box truck.

TRIDENT AREA AGENCY ON AGING

4450 Leeds Place W., Ste. B
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: To enhance the quality of life for older adults, adults with disabilities and caregivers in the Trident Area (Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester counties.)

Kathie Braddock
Phone: (843) 554-2275
Email: friendlyvisitor@tridentaaa.org
Website: www.tridentaaa.org

Volunteer Opportunities: 60% of Nursing Home residents never get a visitor. The Friendly Visitor goes into the assigned facility for a few hours a week and visits with residents to reduce their feelings of isolation or helplessness to help educate them on their rights as a resident to help them advocate for themselves.

Training: 14 to 16 hours over two days.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Driver's license; Criminal background check; TB test.

TRIDENT LITERACY ASSOCIATION

5416-B Rivers Ave.,
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: The mission of Trident Literacy Association is to increase literacy in Charleston, Berkeley and Dorchester counties by offering instruction, using a self-paced, individualized curriculum, in reading, writing, mathematics, English as a Second Language, GED-preparation and basic computer use.

Eileen Chepenik
Phone: (843) 747-2223
Email: echepenik@tridentlit.org
Website: www.tridentlit.org

Volunteer Opportunities: One-on-one and/or small-group tutoring in the subject(s) of your choice to help adults prepare for the GED and WorkKeys exams; assistance with event planning and other fundraising or public relations/marketing activities; social media communications and networking such as Facebook, Twitter and blogging.

Training: Two-hour orientation every third Wednesday to explain our procedures and the special needs of adult students.
Minimum Age: 18
Requirements: Volunteer babysitters must have a background check.
Wish List: Office supplies such as copy paper, pencils, file folders, spiral notebooks, marble composition books; laptop computers; desktop computers that are not too old.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

TRIDENT MEDICAL CENTER

9330 Medical Plaza Dr.,
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Mission: We create a caring environment where healing occurs.

Stephanie Parker

Phone: (843) 847-421

Email: stephanie.parker2@tridenthealthsystem.com

Website: www.trident.org

Trident Health System

Live in a gift. Live it well!

Volunteer Opportunities: Information Desk volunteers. Waiting room greeters. Deliver newspapers, flowers, records, other supplies, etc. Clerical duties. Specialized patient interaction. Courtesy Cart drivers. Hospitality cart. Pet therapy. Volunteers to knit infant caps.

Training: Attend a structured orientation. Must be able to commit to at least 4 hours per week.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Background check and TB test.

Wish List: New and used books and magazines (within 6 months). Knitted baby caps for newborn nursery.

TRIDENT UNITED WAY

PO Box 63305
N. Charleston, SC 29419



Mission: Trident United Way works to strengthen our community by focusing on education, financial stability and health. These are the building blocks of a good life -- a quality education that leads to a stable job, enough income to support a family and good health.

Sally Burnett

Phone: (843) 566-7185

Email: 211volunteer@tuw.org

Website: www.TUW.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Database management assistance, general phone assistance, special events. Internships available in most departments.

* Corporate Volunteer Council - increasing volunteerism in the tricounty through the workplace.

* Volunteer Reception Center - assist our community respond to and recover in times of disaster by helping find appropriate matches for spontaneous, unaffiliated volunteers.

* Special events include Day of Caring, Battle of the Bands, Tricounty Youth Service Day.

See separate listings for 2-1-1 Hotline, The Benefit Bank, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA).

Training: Orientation and training are provided and tailored for different opportunities.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

UNITED HOSPICE OF CHARLESTON

One Poston Rd., Ste. 238
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission: Our Family, Your Family, ONE Family; Committed to loving, giving, and caring; United in making a difference.

Steve Hood

Phone: (843) 573-8623

Email: shood@uhs-pruitt.com

Website: www.uhs-pruitt.com/United-Hospice.aspx

Volunteer Opportunities: Work in the office to support our staff or support patients in families by offering companionship. If there are other ways you would like to serve, let us know!

Training: 12 hours of individualized training is required.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check, Sanction Check, Application, Interview, 2 step PPD (Tuberculosis skin test).

VA DAV TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

109 Bee St.
Charleston, SC 29401

Mission: To get veterans to and from VA scheduled

medical appointments.

Harriett Hudson

Phone: (843) 789-7307

Email: harriett.hudson@va.gov

Website: www.dav.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Drivers for vans.

Training: Orientation, VA class and defensive driving is provided.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check and physical are provided by the VA. Must have a good driving record and valid drivers license.



VETERANS ON DECK

Tricounty area

Mission: To help establish functional and rewarding lives in Veterans, while recognizing the unique and often life changing experiences service in the Armed Forces brings. Specifically, to build on each Veteran's existing military training by using the maritime setting to enhance vocational, familial, and interpersonal functioning.

Ron Acierno

Phone: (843) 364-1667

Email: acierno@gmail.com

Website: www.veteransondeck.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Boat cleaning, boat painting, general maintenance duties on deck and in cabin.

Training: Orientation to the program and interview with staff.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: None

Wish List: Life jackets, UVA/UVB sunscreen, sunglasses, cleaning supplies, bottled water.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MT. PLEASANT)

100 Ann Edwards Ln.
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Mission: To assist any family in crisis through education and through the means of early detection and intervention by a cooperative effort of Mount Pleasant Police Department and other local, state and federal agencies to evaluate family problems and provide solid solutions to stabilize the family or the crisis.

Sue Warren

Phone: (843) 856-2189

Email: warren@tompsc.com

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative assistance.

Training: Orientation provided. Victims of Domestic Violence Sexual Assault support group, meets every Tuesday at 5:00pm.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Background checks.

THE VILLAGE AT SUMMERVILLE

201 W. 9th N. St., Unit 140
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission: We are a compassionate Christian ministry dedicated to enriching the quality of life for seniors of all faiths.

Maree Strobel

Phone: (843) 873-2550, ext. 5360

Email: mstrobel@preshomesc.org

Website: www.preshomesc.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Piano player needed. Other volunteers assist clients with simple crafts, one-on-one interactions, reading, exercise, ceramics, walking with residents, sing-a-long, bingo, polishing nails, simple grooming of Alzheimer's residents.

Training: Orientation on policies and procedures, the facility, and the different levels of resident care.

Minimum Age: 16

Requirements: Background check and TB tests, which are provided by agency.

Wish List: Bingo prizes, yarn of any kind, greenware or bisque (ceramics), fabric to make blankets.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)

Trident Urban League
PO Box 20249

Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: The mission of the Trident Area VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Coalition (TAVC) is to provide volunteer income tax assistance, tax preparation services and asset-building education and opportunities for all low to moderate income families in the tri-county area (Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester counties).

Jack Bennett

Phone: (843) 965-4037

Email: jack.bennett@ctul.org

Website: tuw.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteer Tax Preparers needed to provide free tax preparation services to low to moderate income individuals. Volunteers will be responsible for completing tax returns for the clients and handing out financial literacy information. Volunteers will provide services from mid-January until the end of April and will be able to attend training dates, which will be announced.

Training: Required. Volunteers will have to be trained and IRS-certified through Link and Learn on the IRS website or attend in-class training and pass the test. Intake Specialists require the same training. No prior tax experience necessary.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: None

Wish List: Laptop computers (new or gently used); printers.

WATER MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

2049 Savannah Hwy., Ste. 20A
Charleston, SC 29407



Mission: To provide sustainable access to safe water and an opportunity to hear the "Living Water" message in developing countries and disaster areas. We believe that no one should perish for want of safe water and an opportunity to hear the Living Water message, and our assistance is provided regardless of age, sex, race, or faith.

Michael Simpson

Phone: (843) 769-7395, ext. 209

Email: msimpson@watermissions.org

Website: www.watermissions.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Office administration, food preparation, fund raising, help with events. Assembly, design and testing of our systems. Most opportunities are available from Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm, with some opportunities having the capacity to be completed at home.

Volunteer Organizations & Opportunities

Training: A Water Missions International Orientation is conducted on an as-needed (normally monthly) basis at our headquarters and involves a tour and discussion on how to get involved.

Minimum Age: 14 for office; 18 for production.
Requirements: Volunteers must attend a Water Missions International Orientation and then conduct an interview with the volunteer coordinator.

Wish List: Office products, office furniture, food for volunteers.

WE ARE FAMILY
PO Box 21806
Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: We Are Family's mission is to provide support and resources that have a lasting and measurable impact for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Allied, and Intersex (GLBTQQA) youth ages 16-23 in Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester counties. We Are Family's vision is that GLBTQQA youth feel empowered to find their places in the world, in their families, and in their communities.

Melissa Moore
Phone: (843) 637-9379
Email: info@waf.org
Website: www.waf.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Adult professional mentors and volunteer facilitators for weekly SafeSpace support group meetings.

Training: All adult volunteers are required to undergo a training on active listening techniques, signs of abuse, and protocol for addressing violence and/or abuse.

Minimum Age: 25

Requirements: SLED background check. More extensive background checks may be performed on individuals whose SLED checks contain ambiguous information.

Wish List: Food, office supplies, technical assistance, event space.

WINDWOOD FARM
HOME FOR CHILDREN, INC.
4857 Windwood Farm Rd.
Awendaw, SC 29429



Mission: Our program offers young boys and families, whose lives have been adversely affected by tragic life events such as abuse and neglect among other things, an environment that offers help, hope, and healing. We provide therapeutic interventions that enhances positive social functioning and strengthens psychological well-being. By following our mission we envision that children will be successful and productive members of society.

Callie Vanderbilt
Phone: (843) 884-5342
Email: callie.vanderbilt@windwoodfarm.org
Website: www.windwoodfarm.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Once a month we host a Saturday work day that is open to groups in the community. Landscaping or painting projects required to maintain the farm. Administrative work in our offices which can include anything from filing to scanning and making copies.

Training: Orientation and training are provided.

Minimum Age: 14

Requirements: Any volunteer who comes on our property must sign a waiver of liability along with a confidentiality form. Anyone who is a recurring volunteer must undergo and pass a SLED background check.

Wish List: Clothing, toys, books, hygiene products, shoes, new sports equipment.

WINGS FOR KIDS
3347 Rivers Ave.,
N. Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: WINGS is an education program that teaches kids how to behave well, make good decisions and build healthy relationships. We do this by weaving a comprehensive social and emotional learning curriculum into a fresh and fun after school program.

Kids get the life lessons they need to succeed and be happy and they get a safe place to call home after school.

Bridget Laird
Phone: (843) 296-1667
Email: bridget@wingsforkids.org
Website: www.wingsforkids.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutoring during Academic Time, stocking up our homework supplies, helping with one of our fun Friday WILDWings.

Training: WINGS training videos. Read the Creed.

Download homework helping materials. Email program director at the school of your choice.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check.



WITHOUT WALLS MINISTRY, INC.
633 King St.

Charleston, SC 29413

Mission: Without Walls Ministry reaches out to the poor, needy and hurting of the greater Charleston area to bring them a message of hope.

Gordon Cashwell
Phone: (843) 958-1039
Email: info@withoutwallsministry.org
Website: www.withoutwallsministry.org

Volunteer Opportunities: 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month opportunities include grocery and clothing handouts, serving hotdogs, activities for the children and building relationship with families in the neighborhoods. Other outreaches include a large dinner on Thanksgiving Day, the Charleston Convoy of Hope, Easter, Back to School events and other events throughout the year. Our ministry center also has opportunities during the week to help in the clothing room; sorting clothes. The children's bus outreach needs teachers each Thursday from 5pm to 8pm, and we also have opportunities to do administrative work; filing, stuffing envelopes etc.

Training: Training provided for each activity.

Minimum Age: 16; younger with adult supervision.

Requirements: Background checks required for anyone working with children.

Wish List: Toiletries, men's clothing, socks and underwear, household cleaning supplies, baby items (diapers, wipes), laundry supplies, and large plastic bins with lids for the clothing room.

YOUNG LADIES/LEADERS
CONQUERING OBSTACLES (YLCO)
3950 Azalea Dr.,
Charleston, SC 29405

Mission: Young Ladies/Leader Conquering Obstacles (YLCO) is a non-profit organization that provides programs for youth, ages 11 to 18, to enhance their SPACE (social/spiritual, physical, academic, character, and emotional) development.



Liticia Hairston Whitten
Phone: (843) 744-5510
Email: ylco2004@comcast.net
Website: http://www.ylco.org

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentors to children
Training: Attend orientation/workshops and mentor meetings.

Minimum Age: 21

Requirements: Criminal background check and commitment to at least 4 contact hours a month with your mentee.

Wish List: Gift certificates; tickets to cultural and sporting events.

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SERVICES (YES)
PO Box 41784
N. Charleston, SC 29423



Mission: To empower youth, families and communities to comprehend, embrace, and practice decision making that ultimately results in a healthy, productive lifestyle. Y.E.S. offers innovative approaches that connect youth, families and communities to opportunities igniting success.

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Volunteer Opportunities: Facilitators and mentors with the Virtues in Practice (VIP)© program, a character-building and mentoring program for adolescent and teenage girls. Facilitators for the New Revolutionaries Ministry is a powerful Bible-based interactive ministry designed for teens and young adults. The sessions also incorporate the New Revolutionaries Peer Leadership Team (NRPLT) which is a trained group of youths and young adults ages 15-21 who are committed to raising the standard in their personal lives and who passionately share that standard with their peers. NRPLT delivers their message through song, dance, mime, skits and testimonies.

Training: Partnering with licensed counselors, Y.E.S. orients their volunteers and trains them on a monthly basis in topics relevant to mentoring and working with youth in general.

Minimum Age: 20

Requirements: Y.E.S. partners with organizations in the area, such as the Mayor's Office, to complete a criminal history background check. All volunteers must provide references through their application and will complete an interview with a member of the Y.E.S. staff.

Wish List: Food and drinks for youth events. Paper products and utensils. Decorations for youth events. Paper and ink for printing documents. Markers/ glue/ scissors/ general craft supplies.

YWCA OF CHARLESTON
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Charleston, SC 29403



Mission: YWCA Greater Charleston is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

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Volunteer Opportunities: Mentors/Tutors for students K-3rd grade, volunteer for Martin Luther King Parade event and planning committee, volunteer for the Stand Against Racism in April, and other special events.

Training: Orientation and training based on the project or event they will be assigned.

Minimum Age: 18

Requirements: Background check required for some opportunities.

Wish List: Microwave oven, cooking knives, spoons, etc. serving dishes, children books (age 5 to 9 years), folding chairs, dining room table plus 6 to 8 chairs.



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- **Tricounty Youth Service Day**



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