Center for Civic Engagement

# Volunteer Opportunities!

# Volunteer Corps Upcoming events!

- April 8th -Waste Audit
- April 12th-SCORE
- April 18th- Healing Farms
- April 19th- Kayak Retreat

Want to join? volunteercorps.cofc@gmail.com

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#### **April 2014**

# **Cooper River Bridge Run Volunteers**

The American Diabetes Association has been chosen as on of 15 charities supported by the Cooper River Bridge Run on April 5, 2014! By being one of these charities our duty is to help provide 100 Volunteers the day of the event. We would LOVE your support!!

#### Volunteer Information:

- Each Volunteer will receive a Cooper River Bridge Run Volunteer T-shirt which must be worn during the event as well as a Goody Bag from the American Diabetes Association. Please provide correct tshirt size when registering!
- All Volunteers will need to be at Marion Square Park no

later than 7am. Several roads will be closing that morning so make sure you get there early!

- Volunteers will be assigned a zone in the park they will be located and duties they are responsible for
- Each volunteer will be asked to stay until approximately 11am

To volunteer, please register at <a href="http://diabetes.org/">http://diabetes.org/</a> crbryolunteer

#### Contact:

Christina Bickley South Carolina Chapter 803-799-4246 ext. 3291 cbickley@diabetes.org



Annual race brings in 40,000 participants.

#### **Event Info:**

Date: Saturday, April 5, 2014
Time: 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Marion Square Park - 329
Meeting Street
Charleston, SC 29403

## 27th Annual Carolina Children's Charity Telethon

To help Lowcountry children diagnosed with a birth defect or childhood disease access items or services that are deemed medically beneficial or medically necessary by a medical doctor. All Money Raised Here Stays Here!

Volunteer Information: Volunteer for our 27th Annual Carolina Children's Charity Telethon on Sunday, April 13, 2014. Volunteers are needed between 12:30pm - 6pm. We could use 10- 20 volunteers to work front desk, hold doors, help with parking, etc.

#### Contact:

Sonya Beale 843-769-7555 ext.2 admin@carolinachildren.org 843-769-7553 www.carolinachildren.org

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# **Sweetgrass Gardens**

The mission of the Sweetgrass Garden Co-op, as a 501 (c) 3 Not-for-Profit Corporation, is to provide free, fresh, naturally grown, local produce to charitable food distribution agencies in South Carolina and to support that effort by growing a portion of the produce for income to sustain the enterprise. We cultivate a variety of fruits and vegetables, using sustainable methods and good agricultural practices, as we educate the

public about farming, composting, and distributing food to people in need and the organizations that serve them.

#### Times:

Every Saturday from 8:30-12:00

#### Address:

3121 Plow Ground Road, Johns Island, South Carolina

#### Contact:

dale.snyder@att.net



Rain or shine every Saturday!

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# **Keep Charleston Beautiful**

Keep Charleston Beautiful, is dedicated to promoting the cleanliness and beautification of the City of Charleston through education, public awareness, and community involvement.

We are here to help and support your community cleanup or beautification event. We will provide trash bags, gloves, paper yard bags, rakes, safety vests, pickup sticks, and more.

We will also help recruit volunteers and suggest locations around Charleston that need some TLC.

Clean Cities Sweep runs from April 6-12. We hope you will register your group for a volunteer project to help beautify and clean Charleston. Volunteer projects average around 2 hours and can be any event that helps the community and the environment.

# For more information: http://sc-

charleston.civicplus.com/
DocumentCenter/View/3405

#### Contact:

Jennifer Scales scalesj@charleston-sc.gov

## S.C.O.R.E.

The SCORE program provides a myriad of different volunteer opportunities. From one time events like "reef builds" to long-term water quality monitoring near our sites. The most committed individuals may want to consider volunteering as a local project coordinator for a specific region or reef site.

We supply all equipment, gloves, water, bugspray. It's helpful if you bring a refillable water bottle. Please wear sturdy shoes or boots (no flipflops, crocs). You will get dirty so don't wear your best clothes!

#### Calendar:

www.dnr.sc.gov/Calendar/ ViewCal.html



Volunteers building an oyster habitat.

All dates and times are tentative. Please confirm in advance! Call or email us at (843) 953-9068 score@dnr.sc.gov to sign up for an event and get directions to the site!

# **Lowcountry Food Bank**

1st and 3rd Saturday at the LCFB

What - Volunteers needed in the LCFB's distribution center in

Charleston. Opportunities include: reclamation (sorting, sanitizing and re-packaging food), and packing food boxes for families in the community

When -- Reoccurring volunteer opportunity (1st and 3rd Saturday of every month)

Where - The Lowcountry Food

Why - Volunteer support is a critical part of the LCFB's distribution of over 18 million pounds of food a year.

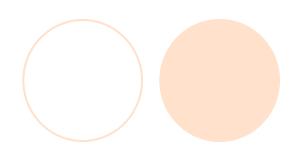
\*\*\*All volunteers need to attend an orientation prior to events\*\*\*

\*To get involved as a volunteer, email or call the Lowcountry Food Bank Volunteer Manager, Autumn McCarver, at (843) 747-8146 ext. 120

More information:

www.lowcountryfoodbank.org/ volunteer

Address: 2864 Azalea Drive, North Charleston, South Carolina





service will pick them up!

# Miracle League

The Charleston Miracle League was founded almost 10 years ago with the goal of enriching the lives of disabled children and adults in Charleston. We now have almost 200 players that come out in the spring and or helping with concessions fall to increase their physical skills, build self-confidence, and most importantly HAVE FUN!

Volunteering can include simply being a "fan in the stands" or being matched with a player to help them round the bases or field the ball (called being a "buddy") or registration; coaches are also needed.

#### Address:

780 West Oak Forest Drive, Charleston, SC 29407

#### How to Join:

Apply online or email, scan, fax to MiracleLeagueED@gmail.com

More information:

www.charlestonmiracleleague. org/volunteer/application.html These events are

for one-time

service.

If you are looking

for a recurring

volunteer email or

stop by the office.

## **Green Heart**

#### Work Location:

On Site at Mitchell Elementary

#### Volunteer Hours:

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30PM-7:30PM

#### Position Description:

Garden Volunteers are a crucial part of helping to maintain the garden and make sure it is serving as not only an outdoor classroom but as a working farm.



#### Email: info@greenhearts.org

Volunteers will be asked to help with general farm tasks: weeding, planting seeds, harvesting produce, digging, building, and watering. Tasks may also include general maintenance.

Garden Volunteers help the Green Heart Project ensure that the garden is producing fresh fruits and vegetables and that the garden is ready for students to learn.

#### Qualifications:

Garden Volunteers do not need any prior gardening experience,

just a passion for Green Heart's mission. Being polite, patient and respectful is a must.

More information:

www.greenheartsc.org

# Center for Civic Engagement

Get Involved!

Contact us...

There are several ways to get involved with service in the community through the Center for Civic Engagement:

#### I. "Like" us on

Facebook CofC CenterForCivicEngagement

#### 2. "Follow" us on

Twitter VolunteerCofC

- 3. Join our listserv
  Receive emails with the
  latest volunteer
  information by emailing:
  volunteer@cofc.edu
- Visit our office
   Lightsey Center
   2nd floor, Room 203

   Phone: 843-953-5838

Email: volunteer@cofc.edu

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# **Volunteer Corps**

Volunteer Corps is a student organization run out of the Center for Civic Engagement that gives students the opportunity to volunteer as a group several times per month. This semesters service projects included volunteering at Lowcountry Orphan Relief, Miracle League, farm/garden work, environmental clean-ups, blood drives, Pet Helpers and Habitat for Humanity.

Their last event will be at S.C.O.R.E on April 12th.

For more information and to sign up, contact Volunteer Corps

at <a href="mailto:volunteercorps.cofc@gmail.com">volunteercorps.cofc@gmail.com</a> or Facebook: <a href="mailto:CofCVolunteerCorps">CofCVolunteerCorps</a>

Twitter: <u>CofCVolCorps</u> Pinterest: <u>cofcvolcorps</u>

### **Service Clubs**

If you are interested in service consider joining a service oriented club!

- Alternative Break
- Habitat for Humanity
- Best Buddies
- Circle K
- CofC United Way
- Relay for Life

- FsOme
- Rotract Club
- Special Olympics
- Student Alumni Assoc.
- Wish-makers on Campus
- Alpha Phi Omega
- Students for Social Innovation

- Sociology Network
- Golden Key Society

Check Orgsync for more ways to get involved!



If these opportunities do not work for you, please let us

know!

# **Hospice Volunteers**

Hospices are always in need of volunteers to visit with patients to provide companionship, run errands, and assist with administrative work.

Most hospices require a background check and drug test. An additional orientation session may also be necessary.

Amedisys Hospice 1027 Physicians Dr. Suite 240, Charleston, SC 29414 Contact: Stephanie Reinhardt | 843-554-7161 stephanie.reinhardt@amedisys.co m www.amedisys.com Beacon Hospice 501 Wando Park Blvd Ste. 100, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Contact:

Darrell Bare, 843-972-0500 dbare@beaconhospicesc.com www.beaconhospicesc.com

Embrace Hospice 3640 Ashley Phosphate Road, North Charleston, SC 29418 Contact:

Megan Taft, 843-749-0399 mtaft@embracehealthcare.org www.embrace-hospice.com

Serenity Palliative and Hospice Care 12 Farmfield Avenue, Ste B. Charleston, South Carolina

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