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County Needs Volunteers for 2013 Earth Day Festival

Volunteer: http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/solidwaste/2013%20Earth%20Day%20Volunteer%20Information.pdf

<u>Charleston County's Environmental Management Department</u> staff is seeking volunteer assistance for the <u>2013 Charleston County Earth Day Festival</u>, which will be held on Saturday, April 20, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Riverfront Park in North Charleston

"Volunteers are a vital component to the success of the County's Earth Day Festival. We appreciate the support we receive from the community, so please consider donating your time and energy to this year's festival," said Christina Moskos, Charleston County's Recycling Coordinator. The theme of this year's festival is "One Earth, One Future."

The purpose of Charleston County's Annual Earth Day Festival is to educate Lowcountry residents about environmental issues in a celebratory atmosphere. Activities will include Activities will include an awards presentation for the winner of the Annual Earth Day Art Contest and an "art walk" to display all artwork entries, science demonstrations and a variety of educational and interactive exhibits focused on promoting environmental stewardship.

To volunteer:

- Fill out the form at http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/solidwaste/2013%20Earth%20Day%20Volunteer%20Information.pdf
- Email the completed acknowledgement form to Heather Walbright at hwalbright@charlestoncounty.org, or fax it to (843) 720-7115.
- For additional volunteer related questions, contact Walbright at (843) 720-1966.

Earth Day volunteers can choose from two half-day shifts or a full-day commitment. Time frames for the morning, afternoon, and full-day shifts are as follows:

- Morning: 8 a.m. 12 p.m. (event set-up and festival opening)
- Afternoon: 12 p.m. 5 p.m. (working the festival and break-down at the end of the day)
- Full-day: 8 a.m. 5 p.m. (lunch is provided for volunteers of the full-day shift)

All volunteers will receive an event T-shirt, which features the winner of the Earth Day Art Contest.

Duties will include:

- Helping vendors and exhibitors set up and breakdown at their designated table/tent.
- Assisting with making crafts and hands-on science activities.
- Staffing the welcome table to greet and direct guests.
- Assisting with entertainment and education providers.

Earth Day was established as a national holiday in 1970 and is now celebrated by over a half-billion people around the world.

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