**SENIOR LEADERSHIP ALUMNI COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**Mission: To create opportunities for older adults to engage in meaningful community service, contributing to the improvement in the lives of others, their own lives, and the Greenville Community.**

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**SEARCHlight Initiative**

The SEARCHlight Initiave began when over 20 OLLI members got together to build housing for people experiencing chronic homelessness. SEARCHlight is now re-branding itself as a vehicle for seniors to engage together in community projects we decide will have a meaningful impact. Here's a chance for you to be in the early stages of this initiative. To learn more contact Jim Carroll 843-422-3220.

**American Red Cross**

The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.  Service programs include: Disaster Cycle Services (Preparedness, Response, and Recovery); Services to Armed Forces and Veterans; International Services; Biomedical Services; and Preparedness, Health and Safety Services.

Phone 864-271-8222 or website redcross.org/local/south-carolina/volunteer/html

**Appalachian Council of Government**

The Volunteer Ombudsman Program is part of the South Carolina Appalachian Council. Volunteers are not certified Ombudsman, but do help assist them in their duties. Over 60% of the residents in long-term care facilities in South Carolina have no visitors. The lack of social contact and a support system often results in depression and an overall decline in health. Volunteer Ombudsmen provide residents encouragement by listening to their concerns, advising them of their rights, and helping them find the answers to their questions.

Volunteer Ombudsmen make unannounced friendly visits and listen to and interact with the residents.

 Phone 864-242-9733 or website scacog.org for addition information.

**Big Brothers and Big Sisters**

At Big Brothers Big Sisters, we believe every youth has incredible potential. It is our mission to ignite, inspire, and defend that potential. We make meaningful, monitored matches between adult volunteers (Bigs) and youth (Littles). We currently have two programs: Community-Based and Site-Based. In a Community-Based match, Bigs pick up their Little and go do fun activities in the community together. Bigs and Littles share the activities they like to do! Play sports. Go hiking. Do an art project. Try new foods. Our Site-Based program takes place at the Little’s school during their lunch break. Bigs can bring activity books or coloring pages, or just enjoy conversation! Some of our matches even play catch at recess! We believe mentors help youth realize their potential and build their futures. YOU can ignite, inspire, and defend potential today!

Contact Nadia Granger grangern@bbbsupstate.com Phone: **864-242-0676**

**Foothills Family Resources**

The mission of Foothills Family Resources is to improve the quality of life in Northern Greenville County by providing residents with a gateway to comprehensive services, programs and resources that support, educate and empower. Services include: career development, access to food, assistance with Medicaid, mental health counseling, and DSS programs for women and children.

**Phone 864-836-1100 website foothillsfamilyresources.org**

**Girl Up Greenville**

GirlUp GVL is more than just after school. At GirlUp GVL, we seek to **empower**our students by ensuring they develop responsibility and life skills that create confidence leading to better choices and a brighter future. We aim to **enrich**their lives through structured routines, regular academic assistance, and trusted advocates, creating a path to personal fulfillment. All the while, creating positive **experiences**for our students to explore new things, helping the girls to develop a sense of self while discovering their unique gifts and talents.

Girlupgvl.org phone 864-800-7627

**Greenville County Animal Care**

The Greenville County Animal Care is the ONLY open admission shelter, offering lost pet intake, foster/rescue, adoptions, clinic, and educational opportunities.  **For all Volunteer Positions**, Volunteers must attend volunteer orientation, sign volunteer waiver & background check, purchase volunteer kit ($25 for canines, $15 for felines), attend post orientation & handling training, coordinate a training/shadowing session with a mentor volunteer, and be in good standing as an Animal Care Volunteer and animal advocate. Volunteer kits include approved leashes (dogs), volunteer T shirt, name badge, and promo materials).

**Phone 864-467-3950 website greenvillecounty.org/asc/Default.aspx**

**Greenville County Library Friends**

The Friends of the Greenville County Library System is a nonprofit organization that provides support for public programs and publications of the library system through various fundraising projects and through volunteer support. Donated books are organized for two annual book sales a year held on the last weekend in October and the last weekend in April. The Greenville County Library has 12 locations including downtown Greenville, Travelers Rest, Simpsonville, Mauldin, Fountain Inn, Greer, Taylors and other areas of Greenville County.

**Greenvillelibrary.org/friends Phone 864-242-5000 ext 2170**

**Greenville Free Medical Clinic**

The Greenville Free Medical Clinic is an integral part, the safety net, of the health care delivery system in the Greenville community. The mission is to promote wellness by providing compassionate, quality medical and dental care, health education and prescription medications without charge to eligible low-income, uninsured County residents.

**Reenvillefreeclinic.org/volunteer Phone 864-232-1470**

**Greenville Literacy Association**Greenville Literacy Association provides quality, affordable and effective adult education for all people – no matter what income or education level. Opportunities available in Greenville and Simpsonville.

**Adult Basic Education Tutor:** Teach 3 R’s, computer skills, or Pre-Ged (Social Studies, Science) to groups/individuals**.**

**English/Second Language (ESL) Tutor:** Teach English to non-native speakers, individuals or in small groups. Volunteer 9 a.m. to 12 noon, weekly. Basic skills needed. No additional training.Background check required (fee $13.80) **Front Desk Assistant**: Answer phone, take messages, greet students and direct them to the right room.Volunteer 1to 4:30 p.m., on a weekly basis. No additional training needed.

Phone 864-467-3456 website greenvilleliteracy.org

**Habitat for Humanity**

Habitat Greenville was chartered in 1985. Since that time, 349 homes have been built in Greenville County for families with total household incomes between 30-60% of Area Median Income (annual average $22,662).

**General Construction Volunteer:** Volunteers serve on a small crew with a leader who assigns tasks, and can choose from small jobs such as caulking, installing shelves, cleanup OR large jobs like framing, roofing, painting, and putting up siding. Help is needed Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday from 8am to 4pm during the construction. Hours and days are flexible. Volunteer can work as much or as little as desired. No prior experience is necessary and onsite training is provided. Must be 18 and sign a waiver. All tools are provided.

**Site Host (Provides Lunch):** Volunteers can prepare or purchase food to drop off at construction site at 11:30am. Habitat staff will be responsible for setting up and serving the workers. Paper products and drinks are provided by Habitat for Humanity. Number of people to be served ranges from 8-25 (will know in advance). This is a good project for churches, organizations, businesses, or any type of group. Help is needed Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday during the construction. Hours and days are flexible. Volunteers can bring lunch one day or more.

**Habitat Store Volunteer** Volunteers may sort, clean, price, or display merchandise. They may also provide customer assistance on the floor. No checkout or cash register work required. Help needed from 9am to 5pm (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday) Days and hours are flexible. Volunteers can work as much or as little as fits their schedule. Onsite training is provided. Must be 18 or older and sign waiver.

Habitatgreenville.org Phone 864-370-4787

**Harvest Hope Food Bank**  Harvest Hopeprovides for the needs of hungry people in our community by gathering and sharing quality food with dignity, compassion and education.

**Intake Administration:** The intake position involves direct engagement with people seeking food for themselves and their families, asking qualifying questions, providing information, and approving the food to be provided that day.
**Food Distribution - Emergency Food Pantry:** Food distribution involves gathering the food made available that day, placing it in boxes and shopping baskets, and bringing it directly to the person(s) in need. This could involve helping take out the food and placing it in a vehicle. It may also involve sorting, bagging and stocking produce and dry goods.
**Product Rescue Volunteer:** This position does not required direct engagement, but is an important role. It involves opening the boxes and bags from the donations of grocers, individuals, collective food drives, etc., making decisions as to acceptability (i.e., government standards, condition, etc.) and organizing for distribution. Work in a huge warehouse.

**The following information applies to all of the above volunteer positions:**Time needed: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 11:30 and/or 11:30 to 1:30. Volunteer can choose days and hours (at least one-hour weekly is preferred). Training Required: Attendance at a one-hour orientation and a 2- hour training session.  **Other requirements of participation:** It works best to make a commitment for certain days and hours if possible and to stick to that schedule. However the staff would appreciate any amount of time a volunteer can provide.

Harvesthope.org Phone 864-281-3995

**Loaves & Fishes**

Volunteers fall into one of three categories: rescue route volunteers, event committee members, or administrative/office support. Learn about all of our volunteer opportunities and to determine if volunteering with us is a good fit for you.

**Rescue Routes** Volunteers rescue food that would otherwise be wasted by picking it up from a designated donor and delivering it to one of Loaves & Fishes’ 107+ partner agencies. Rescue routes take approximately 1 – 1.5 hours to complete and offer tremendous flexibility to volunteers. Choose either a regular weekly route, or run a route when you can – either choice is helpful! Requirements to be a rescue route driver include: a valid driver’s license, proof of insurance and attending an orientation. Upon finishing a route, volunteers are required to report donation poundage information through our online reporting system. All rescue route volunteers must be at least 18 years of age or be accompanied by an adult. Contact Jessica Nihiser jessica@loavesandfishesgreenville.org with questions.

**Event Committees** Our event committees work with staff to ensure all logistic and financial goals are met. Volunteers work with staff to raise funds that assist with operational expenses of the organization. Fill out the form to the right or contact Naomi Horne Naomi@loavesandfishesgreenville.org for more information.

**Office Assistance** Volunteer office assistants work in the Loaves & Fishes office on Woods Lake Road and aid the staff members **as needed**. In this capacity, computer skills are required as well as a high level of confidentiality. Volunteers work using web-based applications and Microsoft Office Suite and have seasonal and typically irregular hours. Contact jessica@loavesandfishesgreenville.org with questions.

**Lutheran Hospice of the Upstate**

Lutheran Hospice is a non-profit, ministry-based program serving people of all faiths and beliefs since 1995.

**Administrative Volunteer** Volunteers can choose from several activities: compiling admission books; making life review pages for hospice patients; coordinating outreach programs; being the birthday coordinator; arranging flowers; or using his/her own special strengths to enhance the work of Lutheran Hospice. Activities take place at the office on North Main Street, Greenville. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, and a six-month commitment is preferred. The volunteer schedule can be flexible (weekly or biweekly).

**Bereavement Volunteer.** Volunteers provide emotional support to caregivers during their grieving process via phone contact made from our Office. Additional Training is required. Service is Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. Schedule can be flexible, preferably 1-2 hours twice per week, with a six-month commitment.

**Direct Patient Care** **(Our greatest need)**. Volunteers provide companionship, emotional support, respite and/or gift of presence with patients and families. The volunteer manager will work to accommodate preferences as to gender of patient, veterans, and location (homes or facilities). Volunteers can serve on days and times that are mutually convenient to the volunteer and patient and family. The volunteer MUST provide an activity report for all contact with patients and families. VOLUNTEERS CAN GO THROUGH THE TRAINING BEFORE MAKING A COMMITMENT.

**Note:** **All volunteer positions require** a background check and a flu shot that can be received at the office on North Main Street in Greenville. The Direct Patient Care and Bereavement positions also requires two references. The Direct Patient Care position also requires a TB (PPD) test. Approximately four to six hours of training (varies by position) and three online modules related to HIPPA training and DHEC guidelines are required for all positions.

Lutheranhospice.org Phone 864-848-1770

**Meals on Wheels**

Meals on Wheels enhances the life of homebound individuals and seniors in Greenville County by providing nutritious meals, personal interaction and independence.

**Delivery Driver** Responsibilities: Pick up meals and deliver to clients on a route, usually 5-12 delivery stops. Meals are delivered Monday – Friday. Volunteers can have a set route and day, or they can volunteer according to their availability (at least monthly). Can also be a substitute. Driver’s license is required. A 45-minute orientation on a Thursday morning at 9:30AM is provided. If Thursday is not convenient, training can be arranged by appointment. Volunteers can pick up meals at specific locations in the following areas: Greenville Meal on Wheels office between 10am and 12noon, OR satellite locations in Travelers Rest; Berea; Piedmont; Fountain Inn; Mauldin; Simpsonville; Taylors (check for pick up times at satellite locations). Meals must be delivered before 2pm.

Mealsonwheelsgreenville.org phone 864-233-6565

**Mental Health America Greenville County**

Mental Health America’s mission is to positively impact mental health through advocacy, awareness and services.

**CRISISline Volunteer:** Respond by phone (at a confidential location within the Greenville city area) to those in crisis.CRISISline operates 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Prefer 3 hours shifts (weekly) but can be flexible on number of hours, day of the week, and time of day. Need 45 hours classroom training and 10 hours of observation.  **Marketing/Fundraising Volunteer:** Manage newsletters, fundraising and social media opportunities. Time, day and amount of hours are flexible, depending on volunteer’s availability. No specific skills or training required. **Board of Directors:** Involves planning, financial development, and providing leadership support to organization. Serve a three-year term, with monthly board meetings. Interview process required.

Mhagc.org phone 864-467-3344

**Mentor Upstate**

Mentor Upstate promotes the development of mentoring programs in schools in upstate South Carolina by recruiting and training mentors, providing resources and support to mentors, and enlisting community involvement. Our goal is to support as many children as possible through positive, real one-on-one relationships.

**Mentor:** Establish a relationship with an at-risk elementary, middle, or high school student in the upstate (this does not involve tutoring). Mentors are needed one day a week (for 30 minutes) to have breakfast or lunch with a student, at the school. This program operates from September through May. The majority of schools participate, so volunteers can choose the grade level and school that is convenient for them.

The point of contact is the school counselor. Opportunities in Greenville, Spartanburg, Anderson and Oconee Counties.

**Other requirements of participation:** One half-hour of training is required along with a Mentor Upstate application and a background check.

Sevitahealth.com phone 864-233-9727

**Mill Community Ministries**

Mill Community Ministries is a collection of social entrepreneurs working to develop communities for success in Greenville, South Carolina. We are a group dedicated to seeing individuals and communities thrive. We are Mill Village Farms, Village Wrench, and Nasha Lending.

**Garden Assistant** Help harvest, wash, pack, plant and weed in our greenhouse

Volunteers needed 8:30am -12:30pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays (Flexible Days/hours)

Bring work gloves, bug-spray and drinking water.

**Box Assembler (103 S. Texas Avenue, near St Francis)**Work with a team to assemble cardboard boxes and tape together at church gym Volunteers needed every other Tuesday from 11am to 1pm

**Produce Packer (103 S. Texas Avenue, near St Francis)** Work with a team to pack boxes of produce to be provided to people in food deserts. Volunteers needed every other Wednesday from 8:30am to 9:30am

**Village Wrench Workshop Assistant**Assist the Workshop Manager in simple repairs, moving inventory, bike sales, and administration at 8 Lois Avenue. Volunteers work 2-8 hours/week (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-6 p.m. or Saturdays, 10 a.m.-3pm No bike maintenance experience is required, but need background check and 1-hour orientation.

**Village Launch** Assist by becoming a mentor to help equip under-resourced entrepreneurs to become providers, creators, and producers in their own communities. This is a 10 week program, offered in the Fall & Spring on Thursday evenings.

Millcommunity.org phone 864-351-8865

**Miracle Hill Women’s Renewal & Shepherd’s Gate**

**The Miracle Hill Women’s Renewal Program** is part of Miracle Hill Ministries (19 Graves Drive 29609). It offers a six-month residential program using the 12-step model for women whose lives have become unmanageable due to abuse of alcohol or other substances. **Miracle Hill Shepherd’s Gate** (490 South Pleasantburg Drive 29607) is a place of hope for women who are homeless and in dire need. **All four of these volunteer opportunities** are available at both locations and have flexible times based on volunteer’s availability and coordination with the Volunteer Coordinator. Volunteer will complete a volunteer application form and attend an orientation.

**Life Skills Instructor:**Provide instruction regarding money matters, etiquette, business, health, interviewing skills, etc. This can be a one-time event or a series as determined by volunteer.

**Creative Arts Volunteer:**Provide opportunities for participation in creative arts (leather work, making jewelry, painting etc.). This can be a one-time event or a series as determined by volunteer.

**Music Appreciation Volunteer:**Provide opportunities for guests to listen to or participate in musical activities (must be classical or Christian music). Piano available on 2nd floor Shepherd’s Gate. One time or multiple times.

**Front Desk Volunteer:**Answer phone, take messages, greet donors and/or fill out donor forms. Time needed: Monday – Friday. At Miracle Hill Renewal Center two shifts are available (9-1 or 1-5). At Miracle Hill’s Shepherd’s Gate hours are available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and hours can be flexible depending on volunteer’s availability. A 30-60-minute training session is required, and volunteer forms must be completed.

Miraclehill.org phone 864-242-2166

**Paris Mountain State Park Friends**

The mission of the Paris Mountain State Park Friends is to provide recreational and educational opportunities emphasizing the cultural and natural resources of the park environs.

**Paris Mountain State Park Volunteer Teacher:** School program volunteers are naturalists at heart who want to share the wonders of nature with 2nd and 5th graders, in the park’s Discover Carolina school programs. Volunteers may choose among the following activities: 1) Assist students with taking measurements and observations at the creek. 2) Lead 2nd graders on a nature hike around Lake Placid. (usually naturalists) 3. Assist in a 5th grade Forest Ecology program. 4. Deliver pre-visit kits to schools. Volunteers are needed Monday – Friday, from 8:45 a.m.-1:45p.m., during fall and spring school terms (volunteer selects best day of the week). Frequency is flexible (can be 1-3 times monthly). Free training/orientation is offered.

**Other requirements of participation:** Enjoyment of sharing environmental wonders with children; able to stand/walk for several hours on uneven terrain; available to volunteer in all kinds of weather. Volunteers need to visit the friendsofparismountain.com website and southcarolinaparks.com website to become familiar with all aspects of the park. Park staff will be available for guidance, if needed, during the volunteer time.

Friendsofparismountain.org phone 864-244-5565

**Pendleton Place**

Pendleton Place offers programs that protect, equip, and heal vulnerable children, young adults, and families. The goal is for each child to have a stable home environment and a bright future. The agency has 3 programs that offer assessment, therapeutic, residential, and community-based services.  The Youth Resource Center was established in July, 2019 to build relationships/serve young adults, 17-24, who utilize the program during drop-in hours. These young adults are typically experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. All Positions: Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 2pm to 5pm.  Prefer volunteers commit to a specific day each week with flexibility for vacations and time away.

**Pendletonplace.org phone 864-467-3650**

**Poe Mill Achievement Center**

PMAC is a free after-school and summer program for under-resourced children in Greenville, SC.

**After-school Reading Buddy or Homework Helper**: Volunteers are needed Monday – Friday 3-3:45pm & Monday – Thursday 4:45-5:30pm from August – May.

**Reading Buddy:** Volunteers can come and read with a child for about 30 minutes. Children range in age from 4 to 9 years old and some are great readers and just need someone to read to and some are 2 or 3 levels below grade level reading and need extensive help. For the little ones, it would be reading to them, letter recognition, and sounding out words – for the older ones, listening to them read and assisting with reading comprehension.

**Homework Helper:** Volunteers may also assist with the child’s (ages 6-10) daily homework – that could be helping a child solve math problems or reading with them then answering questions or simply reading the instructions and making sure they are following them and getting the correct answers on their homework.

**Summer Reading Buddy:** Volunteers are needed in June and July; Monday – Friday 9:45-10:30am

**Time Needed**: Ideally volunteers would come once a week for 30 - 45 minutes each week

**Training:** Volunteers will touch base with the administrators beforehand for a brief overview of the program and what is to be expected upon arrival.

Pmacgvl.org phone 864-915-6821

**Project Host**

Project Host was founded in 1981 by local church and lay leaders who were distressed by the poverty and hunger in Greenville. Volunteers work to serve approximately 150 meals for lunch, 6 days a week (Sunday – Friday).

**Daytime Soup Kitchen Volunteer.** Volunteers work as part of a team to prep, cook, serve and cleanup after lunch. The shift is from 9am to 1pm. Days are flexible and can be weekly, monthly, etc. or based on volunteer’s availability. No previous experience is necessary. Volunteers can sign up online.

**Evening Soup Kitchen Volunteer:** Volunteers work as part of a team to prepare and package meals for needy people who cannot come to the lunch program. The team meets every other Tuesday from 6pm to 8pm. No previous experience is necessary. Volunteers can sign up online.

**Greenhouse/Garden Volunteer:** Greenhouse volunteers plant seeds, transfer seedlings to pots and plant/tend vegetables and flowers in the greenhouse (2500-3000 plants). Garden volunteers compost beds, till the soil, transfer greenhouse plants to the garden, and harvest the crops. Most vegetables are used to feed the hungry, but some of the vegetables and flowers are sold to cover expenses of the greenhouse. No experience necessary and oversight and training will be provided. Morning shifts are 8:30am to 12noon, Monday – Friday and volunteers can help based on their availability. There is one afternoon shift from 12noon to 3pm on Friday. Volunteers are needed year round, except for December and January. Volunteers can sign up online**.**

Projecthost.org phone 864-235-3403

**Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club**

The mission of the Boys & Girls Club is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens, by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, belonging and influence. A background check, volunteer application and 1-2 hour orientation is required of all volunteers. Should enjoy working with teens / young children, have patience and a kind heart.

**Physical Activities Volunteer, Kroc Center** Encourage children (ages 5-13) to unplug from technology by encouraging them to do indoor and outdoor activities (playground, soccer, basketball etc.). Time needed: Mon.-Thurs. once a week from 4:00pm to 5:30pm, day determined by volunteer.

**Homework assistant, Kroc Center** Work with 3-4 children (ages 5-13) by assisting with homework questions. Time needed: Mon.-Thurs. once a week from 2:30pm to 3:30pm, day determined by volunteer. Not a requirement but especially need people experienced in science, technology, engineering, and math.

Krochgreenville.org phone 864-235-6047

**STEAM Tech Teams**

STEAM Tech Teams brings Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) into local schools via various programs in competition robotics, Neuroscience through Magic, Biochemistry, 3D Design & Printing, Drone flight and basic electronics and computing.  We can accommodate your desire to make a minimal or a longer-term commitment.  There are support and training programs for any of the projects.

**Course/Program Designer:** Volunteers design/implement specific programs that will be used by STEAM Tech Teams. Hours vary during school days and summers, ongoing. No training required.

**Program Mentor:** Volunteers work in the classroom (with students, teachers, and other volunteers) and at other events such as shows/exhibit tables and volunteer recruiting events. Volunteer 2-8 hours per week, during the school day and/or some summer sessions. Training varies, depending on the project.

**Support Volunteer:** Volunteer help with advertising, website maintenance, data bases and coordination. Hours vary and can be flexible. Some work can be done from home, ongoing. Training depends on volunteer position.

**Other requirements of participation**: Enthusiasm for promoting Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math. Steamtechteams.com

**Tudor Match**

Children in foster care often fall behind in school. Over half change schools when placed into care, making it even harder to keep up. Tutor Match ® provides weekly tutors for children and youth in foster care. Volunteer tutors should be at least 18 years of age and able to tutor one hour weekly for an average of 6 months. After completing a background check and training session, volunteers can tutor in a subject of their choice! Tutoring will ideally occur in the child's home or in an agreed upon public location. However, virtual opportunities are available if necessary. To learn more or start your application process, visit us online at  [https://fgi4kids.org/our-great-ideas/tutor-match/](https://fgi4kids.org/our-great-ideas/tutor-match/#_blank).

**Triune Mercy Center**

Triune Mercy Center is a nondenominational church which works alongside the parishioners (homeless and low income).

**Computer Tutor:** Help parishioners at Triune in the computer lab learn to use a computer. Volunteer needs basic computer skills, patience and a desire to help people in need. Hours: Wednesday, 9-11am or Sunday, 1to 3pm
**Computer Room Assistant**: Help people who have little or no computer skills to navigate the computer to look for jobs, fill out applications on line etc. Volunteer needs basic computer skills, patience and a desire to help people in need. Hours: Wednesdays, 9-11 a.m. or Sunday, 1-3 p.m.

**Art Room Volunteer:** Open art room and put out supplies for participants. Organize and store supplies and close art room at the end of the session. Art Room Volunteer provides general supervision. No art experience needed as participants can work independently. Activities include painting, drawing, jewelry making, collages etc. Hours: Wednesdays, 9-11:30 a.m. or Sunday, 1 -4 p.m.
**Front Desk Volunteer:** Sit at front desk and greet parishioners who want to get mail, see the case manager etc. Answer phones and direct calls to the appropriate person. Hours: Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday - Thursday 1 to 5pm or Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Flexible hours depending on volunteer’s availability.

Triunemercy.org phone 864-233-8020

**United** **Ministries**

United Ministries’ mission is “to serve and empower those on the transformative journey to self-sufficiency.” Programs address immediate and long-term needs of participants.

**Emergency Assistance Volunteer**: Interview participants who request help with rent, utilities, or food. -volunteers needed: Monday – Friday 8am to 11:30am on a weekly basis; flexible hours depending on volunteer’s availability; attend a one-hour orientation.

**Adult Education Volunteer**: Assist adults who are working to obtain a GED (high school equivalency). Volunteers needed: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday (8am to 7pm) or Wednesday (8am to 12noon); flexible hours depending on volunteer’s availability; attend a one-hour orientation.

**Employment Readiness Volunteer:** Teach soft job skills and assistant participants in locating employment opportunities. Time needed: Monday-Thursday, 9am to 12noon. A one-hour orientation is required.

**Employment Readiness Computer Lab Tutor:** Every other Wednesday from 9:00 - 11:00.  Skills that would be helpful: Familiar with Microsoft Office, email, browser basics, and internet safety; Familiar with Google Maps and online job boards like Indeed.com; Experience working one-on-one with adult learners; Ability to adapt to different learning styles; Ability to encourage, empathize, and provide warmth and support; **Preferred: Experience** with self-guided online tutorial services like Khan Academy, Lynda.com, or Coursera

**Receptionist/ Administrative Assistant:** Greet guests and answer phone in learning center and/or Admin. Building.

Monday – Thursday (8am to 4pm) or Friday (8am to 12noon); prefer weekly, but hours can be flexible; attend a one-hour orientation.

United-ministries.org phone 864-915-6821

**United Way of Greenville**

United Way of Greenville Countymobilizes people and resources to improve lives, strengthen the community and advance equity for the benefit of all.No single program or agency can solve the complex challenges of poverty on its own. United Way of Greenville County strategically invests in more than 70 of our community’s most effective nonprofit organizations, partnering with us to make a measurable impact across our three focus areas of Education, Financial Stability and Vibrant and Equitable Communities.

Unitedwaygc.org phone 864-467-3333

**The Upstate Mediation Center (UMC)**

UMC is a community based non-profit organization providing high-quality, affordable mediation services to individuals, families, and businesses in conflict in the Upstate. Since its creation in 1999, the UMC has provided mediation services in hundreds of conflicts each year.  Mediation is the process of dispute resolution. It involves one or more neutral third parties (the mediator) who intervene in a conflict and assist disputants in reaching a mutually acceptable agreement. In mediation, decision-making authority and the outcome is determined by the disputants. During the mediation, the parties propose solutions and options with the mediator's guidance and suggestions. The goal is to get an agreement resolving all outstanding issues between the disputants. Mediators are challenged to sift through the facts, emotions and individual interests of the parties involved to determine what the issues are, while maintaining an unbiased perspective. The mediator can offer creative approaches and innovative ideas that allow the outcome to be decided by the parties. Family mediation is simpler, less stressful and faster than using the court system and it is also much less expensive.  If a mediator is able to bring disputing parties to a resolution, he/she has helped bring peace, harmony and closure for those parties, as well as for other family members and children who have been impacted by the conflict.

**Family Court Mediator**

Time Needed: Monday -Friday- 9:30 am -12:30 pm or 2:00 pm -5:00pm. (prefer 1-3 mediations monthly, based on volunteer’s availability). Mediators are usually scheduled 1-2 weeks in advance for each 3-hour mediation. **Training Needed:** Volunteers must complete the SC Bar Mediator Training, a 5-day, 40-hour training course. The next Family Court mediator training is at the UMC office in downtown Greenville and takes place October 24-28. Cost for training can be waived in exchange for an agreed upon number of mediations.

**Other Requirements:** College degree, an open mind, the ability to remain unbiased, and a creative personality for a problem-based/solution-focused attitude. Mediators should be empathic, passionate, caring and dedicated to human well-being. Upstatemediation.com phone 864-370-9771

**Centre Stage**

Centre Stage could not function without the help of our wonderful volunteers, and volunteering offers a great way to get to know the regional theatrical community and learn some new skills. We even welcome theater newcomers who are willing to train, and it’s a great chance to truly experience the theater in a hands-on environment. You can volunteer in ushering, concessions, will-call desk, 50/50 sales, wardrobe, lighting, props scenery building, painting, the production team, and much more. Free tickets to the play you are volunteering for. If you are interested in volunteering or if you have any questions, please contact information@centrestage.org.

**Greenville Theatre**

**Ways to Participate**: ​

**BOX OFFICE**: Take ticket orders over the phone during business hours (11 AM - 4 PM) or help distribute tickets at Will Call before performances.

**WARDROBE/LIGHTING/SCENERY/PROPS:** Learn about all the exciting elements that go into our productions. During weekly business hours, come assist in set painting and construction for upcoming performances.

**BACKSTAGE CREW**: Join in backstage by assisting the crew that makes each show happen. Production can vary from helping with quick changes to scene shifts to running a spotlight.  It's a great way to see the inner workings of GT and gain a crowd of friends in the process. Backstage crew must be present at all performances during a show run (and select prior rehearsals).

**USHERING TEAM:** Help individuals find their seats, assist with concessions during intermission, assist in post-show clean up and also enjoy the night's performance!

## If you are interested in volunteering call the box office at (864) 233-6238 or

## email volunteer@greenvilletheatre.org.

**Peace Center**

Volunteer ushering helping individuals find their seats, assist with concessions during intermission, assist in post-show clean up and also enjoy the night's performance.

For more information, email: pcvolunteer@peacecenter.org

**South Carolina Childrens Theatre**

**Event volunteers** assist with everything from the planning to the execution of our Character Breakfast and Caribbean Crush. If you enjoy party planning and marketing, we would love for you to help make our events a success.

**Production Volunteering** Production volunteering can include set construction, costuming, painting, props, show promotion, load in/out, and backstage assistance. We encourage family of cast members get involved to make it a family bonding experience. You can also be involved if you don’t know someone in the production. Our volunteer opportunities are open to anyone with an interest in providing high-quality live theatre. Contact **Kate Fowler kate@scchildrenstheatre.org**

**Warehouse Theatre**

Like most nonprofit organizations, The Warehouse Theatre depends on the generosity of our community to support our work. As a volunteer usher, you can offer a warm smile and a little guidance to a first-time patron. Perhaps you have carpentry skills or are a master behind a sewing machine? Or maybe you’re up for a brisk walk down Main Street with an armful of show posters? Whatever it is you can offer, we’d love to find a place for you here in The Warehouse Theatre community!