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Volunteer Center

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Inspirational Quote

"One is not born into the world to do everything but to do something."

Henry David Thoreau, poet, writer, philosopher

Local Statistics

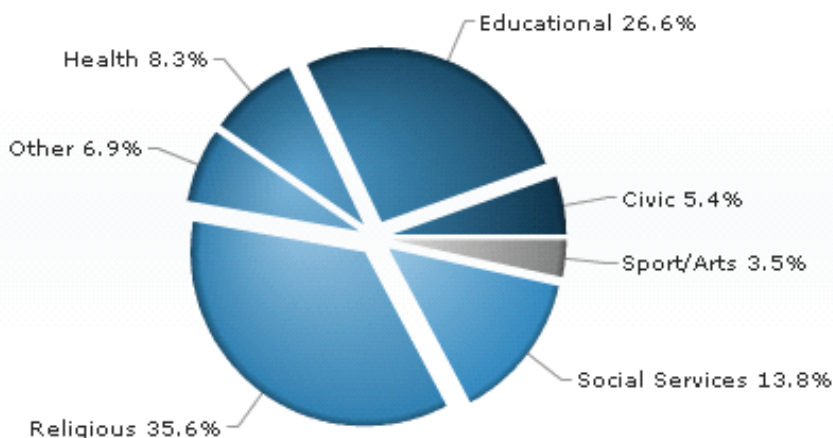
As of March 2011, the ShoreCAN Volunteer Center has:

- 106 Nonprofit Partners
- 158 Active Opportunities
- 333 Volunteer Referrals

ShoreCAN always has room to grow. If you would like to register with our volunteer center either as a non-profit or a volunteer please call 410-742-9911 or visit www.shorecan.org

National Volunteer Statistics

Where People Volunteer (2007-2009)



Volunteer Opportunities

Listed below are brief details of several new opportunities entered into the ShoreCAN database. Please visit www.shorecan.org for more details.

Volunteer Umpires

Lower Shore Enterprises

Contact: Nicole Bozman, 410-749-6183

Lower Shore Enterprise is hosting a softball tournament on April 2nd and 3rd and is looking for volunteer softball umpires.

Videographer

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy

Contact: Dorsey Clarke, 410-827-9756

Experienced Videographer needed to videotape the 12th Annual Planning Conference entitled "Vibrant Towns" on March 18, 2011 from 8am-5pm.

Nanticoke Creekwatcher

Nanticoke Watershed Alliance

Contact: Beth Wasden, 443-944-1175

From April through November, Volunteers take a variety of measurements and samples at sites from Greenwood, Delaware, to Nanticoke, Maryland.

2011 Non Profit Training**March 9, 2011 - Donor Stewardship and Recognition - 11am - 1pm (Kim Nechay, Cherrywalk Consulting)**

The viability of any nonprofit organization is dependent on a strong donor base; building and maintaining these invaluable relationships does not just happen. Learn from a local fundraising expert on how to strengthen your donor relations program through effective resource stewardship, appropriate recognition of donor support and regular communication with potential supporters. FREE BROWN BAG EVENT, drinks and desserts provided, RSVP Required.

March 23, 2011 - Introduction to the Foundation Directory Online - 10:00 - 11:30am

CFES is a Cooperating Collection of the Foundation Center and provides FREE access to the Foundation Directory Online. This tremendous resource is a searchable database of over 95,000 foundations throughout the U.S. - many of which cannot be found through regular web searches. Learn the basics of how to use this tool to identify new funding prospects for your program or organization. FREE, RSVP Required.

March 24, 2011- Nonprofit Roundtable

Join other local nonprofit leaders for a peer to peer forum to address critical issues for your organization - marketing, resource development, HR, and more. We'll facilitate and help you to find the business resources and the "how-to" information that will help you drive a successful organization! Free, breakfast provided, RSVP Required.

Register for these events [here](#)

Nonprofit Highlight:**Worcester County Developmental Center**

The Worcester County Developmental Center has become a champion for adults with developmental and physical disabilities in the tri-county area. Staff at the WCDC offers a wide variety of services including a day program, pre-vocational training, supported employment, health services, residential options, individual support services and enrichment activities. Their new facility in Newark, Maryland, allows them to provide state of the art vocational training and supported job placement to disabled adults assisting them in their goal to live as independently as possible.



WCDC Clients Kren Taylor and Robin Dannelly enjoying the Valentine's Day Dance

The Developmental Center suffered a major setback when the building housing their day program and administrative offices burned down in 2007. With generous support from the community, their staff and volunteers were still able to provide services to all their clients from a temporary facility for almost three years. Their shiny new facility was completed in 2010 and has so many wonderful resources to help train and enrich the lives of clients. The new building includes a commercial laundry room and kitchen, greenhouse, community resource room, vocational training rooms, conference rooms, and more. The commercial laundry room is especially exciting because it provides an as yet uncharted opportunity for vocational training to benefit clients hoping to find employment in that industry. The greenhouse is also wonderful because it is bigger and more technologically innovative than the one they had previously and will allow for safer access while they cultivate plants.

Recent success stories include the individual who went from being a volunteer in the WCDC greenhouse to a full time employee of Worcester County. Another success story is the person who now works full time at Mountaire Farms. Many local businesses currently offer employment opportunities to WCDC clients including: The Clarion Hotel, Upper Deck Restaurant, Denovo's Trattoria, Food Lion of Berlin and Ocean Pines, Atlantic General Hospital, and Carrabba's. A few clients also volunteer at the Berlin Nursing Home. WCDC staff continues to provide job services to their clients even when they are employed in the local workforce.

Nonprofit Highlight:**Worcester County Developmental Center**

The Developmental Center is looking for a few good volunteers to assist with various needs. Positions range from fundraising champions, public liaisons, vocational trainers, enrichment providers and gardeners to help in the greenhouse.

The WCDC has an exciting set of upcoming events and invites you to come and learn what they are all about or just support their many programs!

April 30th, Spring Bling and Luncheon featuring a fashion show, silent action and local vendors. Vendor spots and sponsorships open, tickets available.

June 13th, 5th Annual Golf Tournament at the OC Golf Club: sponsorships and tickets available.

The Brighter Future Capital Campaign, Goal: Two Million Dollars to support building funds.

Please contact Rachel Buser at WCDC for more information about volunteering or special events at 410-632-2382 or buser@wcdcservices.org

Volunteer Spotlight: Call for Nominations

ShoreCAN is looking for a few great volunteers to highlight in our monthly newsletter. We are interested in volunteers of *all ages* and would love to hear from you today with your recommendations.

Contact us to submit someone who really makes a difference in your nonprofit.

Governor's Volunteer Service Awards: Call for Nominations

2011 Governor's Volunteer Service Awards: The deadline for nominations for the 2011 Governor's Volunteer Service Awards will be March 18, 2011. The nomination form is available at www.GOSV.maryland.gov.

All submissions are due via the online form only no later than March 18 (no faxes or hard copies will be accepted).

How will you change the world: Global Youth Service Day 2011

The ShoreCAN Volunteer Center is pleased to announce that our staff and volunteers are going to be participating in **Global Youth Service Day (GYSD)** on *Saturday, April 16th*. We welcome all youth under 18 years of age and their families to join us as we help local non profits in a variety of projects. There will be fun, prizes and refreshments at each project site.

The Volunteer Center is also accepting project sites for this day of service. If your agency has projects that will need volunteers in April, please contact our staff and sign up to be a part of this event. In addition, If you are over 18 years old and would like to be a volunteer leader at one of our project sites, please let us know.

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GYSD is the largest service event in the world and celebrates the contributions young people make 365 days of the year. Please contact us today to find out how you can be a part of this exciting event!

Visit our webpage for more information at www.cfes.org/gysd or click to register <http://www.cfes.org/shorecan-event-registration>

**Volunteer Generation Fund Grant: Award \$25,000**

Recently, the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism awarded six Maryland volunteer centers with \$150,000 total in funds through the Corporation for National and Community Service's Volunteer Generation Fund. Each volunteer center will receive a \$25,000 grant to increase their ability to recruit and retain volunteers in diverse opportunities.

Volunteer Centers in Maryland submitted proposals for funding, which were judged by the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism in November 2010. Judges sought to support projects with an emphasis on engaging youth, people with disabilities, and adults 55 and over in service. Once awarded, the volunteer centers will assess their local volunteer and nonprofit needs to increase their ability to sustain diverse partnerships while building internal capacity.

The funds will support activities through the end of 2011. The following volunteer centers were each awarded a \$25,000 Volunteer Generation Fund (VGF) grant:

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Business Volunteers Unlimited Maryland
Montgomery County Volunteer Center ·
Volunteer Center for Anne Arundel County
Volunteer Center Serving Howard County
Volunteer Southern Maryland