



# ShoreCAN

## Volunteer Center

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### Inspirational Quote

Everybody can be great because anybody can serve.  
You don't have to have a college degree to serve.  
You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve.  
You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love.

--Martin Luther King Jr.

### Latest Statistics

As of October 2010, the ShoreCAN Volunteer Center has:

99 Non Profit Partners  
184 Active Opportunities  
250 Active Volunteers  
309 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

### Seasonal Food Drive

The ShoreCAN Volunteer Center will be sponsoring a food drive this holiday season. Stay tuned for more information!

## Lower Shore Volunteer Fair Wrap-Up

The 2010 Lower Shore Volunteer Fair was held at Wor-Wic Community College on September 25th. It was enjoyed by many non-profit exhibitors and the general public. A great time was had by all at this family friendly networking event made possible by our corporate sponsor, Delmarva Power.

Many Door Prizes were awarded from: Bay Country Meals, Clarion Resort, Delmarva Discovery Center, Perdue, Princess Royale Hotel, Station7 Restaurant and many more.

We would like to thank our Event Partners: Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, Junior Achievement of the Eastern Shore, RSVP and MAC, Inc., Salisbury University, ShoreCAN Volunteer Center, ShoreCorps/PALS Americorps Program, United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore, Wor-Wic Community College, Worcester County Volunteer Services

We would also like to thank our Media Sponsors: Clear Channel Outdoor, Clear Channel Radio, Comcast Cablevision of Delmarva, PAC 14 Public Access Channel, Pepsi Bottling Ventures, WMDT TV-47

In addition a hearty thanks to all the student and community volunteers that helped during the event.

To take our survey about the fair visit [www.volunteerfair.org](http://www.volunteerfair.org)



Excited Registrants at the 2010 Volunteer Fair

## Volunteer Opportunities

Listed below are brief details of several new opportunities entered into the ShoreCAN database recently. Please visit [www.shorecan.org](http://www.shorecan.org) for more details.

**Tax Aide Counselor, MAC, Inc (Area Agency on Aging) Contact: Valerie Wagner Phone: 410-742-0505**  
Help low income individuals and seniors prepare and e file federal and state tax forms from Feb to April. One week formal training, counselors work one day per week through April 15th from 9AM to 2:30PM.

**Nature Walk Assistant, Lower Shore Land Trust Contact: Krista Hozyash Phone: 410-641-4467**  
This person will be responsible for greeting people and managing an informational booth at our bird walk event.

**Gift Wrapper & Delmarva Education Foundation Promoter , Contact: Linda Jakusiak Phone: 410-219-3336**  
Contact DEF to sign up for some FUN holiday gift wrapping at Barnes & Noble in Salisbury on Saturday, November 27, 2010. Two hour shifts are available from 9am to 11pm

**File Clerk, Telamon Corporation Contact: Nathalie Matos Phone: 410-546-4604**  
The File Clerk helps to manage and organize files and documents in the office.

**Volunteer Spotlight: Jane Corcoran**

**Jane Corcoran** has been an active volunteer in our community since 1978. A retired CPA, Jane lives in Salisbury with her husband Robert. They are the proud parents of two sons and one daughter and have seven grandchildren. While she gives tirelessly of her time and generously of her resources, Jane's modesty in her volunteerism is what is truly striking.

Jane has been a committee volunteer for the Community Foundation since 1997, joining the Board of Directors in 2004, and Jane has participated on every grant/award committee. Currently she serves on three committees and chairs a fourth, making her one of CFES' most active board members. Jane contributes more than 50 hours annually to the Community Foundation through meeting attendance alone.



In addition to her work with CFES, Jane is active with the Junior Auxiliary Board at Peninsula Regional Medical Center (Junior Board), Village of Hope and the Wicomico Medical Alliance. Since 1978, Jane has been a volunteer for the Junior Board previously serving as President and Treasurer and currently as Finance Committee Chair. Junior Board Volunteer Coordinator, Faye Holloway, raved that Jane is "willing to do anything" yet never seeks the limelight. Jane is integral in preparing the organization for its annual audit and donates many hours to this task and others. Jane has served on the Village of Hope Board since 2001 and by serving in virtually every leadership role, including Chairman of the Board, has been instrumental in all facets of the organization.

More than Jane's work for any one organization, it is Jane's compassion for others that's the true indication of her giving spirit.

Join us in thanking Jane for all of her hard work, dedication, and selfless service to our community. Thank you Jane, for just being YOU!

**Unemployed? Volunteer to fill the gap!**

Being unemployed can cause more than just financial burden, it also leaves many people feeling shattered emotionally and physically as they try to regain employment. They feel their skills and experiences are becoming trivial and they are not challenged enough with every day life.

According to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, approximately 22.9% of these unemployed people fill the gap with consulting, contract work and volunteering. From 2008 to 2009, unemployed men volunteered more than ever.

Volunteering leads to an improved sense of well-being and higher self esteem. Once properly matched, your skills can be used to benefit your community and while doing so can lead to the opportunity to meet new people, have new experiences, and perhaps identify new employment possibilities.

Source: Bureau of Labor and Statistics: <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/volun.nr0.htm>

### Nonprofit Highlight: Maple Shade



**Maple Shade** is a private non-profit located in Mardela Springs, MD. Their staff and volunteers provide continuum of care services for local youth and families with special needs.

Maple Shade offers services through five different residential program locations and several education clinics on the Delmarva Peninsula. The agency has provided progressive, professional services to children, adolescents and their families on the Eastern Shore since 1970.

The Maple Shade Family Christmas Party will be held on December 14th, 2010 at UMES. Staff invites the parents and siblings of the children we serve to join in and celebrate the season. Thanks to contributions and donations, we are pleased to provide dinner and gifts to the children. The party will be held from 5-8 pm. Maple Shade is also hosting a fundraiser with Celebrating Home to raise money for this event and their summer activities.

Maple Shade truly lives by it's motto of "Rooted in Compassion, Growing in Excellence".

If you would like to learn more about this wonderful agency please contact 410-202-2750 or 410-677-0202 and ask for Angie Bopp or Jessica Littleton.

### Salisbury (Lower Shore) SCORE

The Salisbury Chapter of SCORE has a need for businessmen and women willing to give their time to help entrepreneurs. We invite working and retired executives, small business owners, educators and other professionals to become volunteer counselors. In addition to counselors, SCORE seeks volunteers with strong organizational skills to work with counselors and clients in outreach programs, marketing, setting up and running workshops and general office support. The Salisbury chapter has an office in Salisbury and hopes to open branch locations in Sussex and Worcester Co.

We are seeking real-world professionals with time-tested knowledge to donate as little as 3 to 4 hours per month to help small businesses succeed. Service can be either face-to-face or on line or both. Volunteers will be interviewed and training is provided.

For more information, visit [www.SalisburySCORE.org](http://www.SalisburySCORE.org) or [www.shorecan.org](http://www.shorecan.org)



## Make a Difference Day



October 23, 2010 marks the 20th anniversary of Make A Difference Day, the largest national day of community service.

Held annually the fourth Saturday of October, Make A Difference Day is sponsored by USA WEEKEND and HandsOn Network, a business unit of Points of Light Institute.

HandsOn Network invites you to Get HandsOn for Make A Difference Day. Their website will equip you with templates and toolkits to launch your own project or volunteer for an existing project in your area.

<http://www.handsonnetwork.org/nationalprograms/signatureevents/MakeADifferenceDay>

## Non-Profit Resource Web Links

Here are some great web resources for non-profits:

<http://www.bethkanter.org/> Beth Kantor runs the longest running and most popular blog for non-profits.

<http://www.johnhaydon.com/> John Haydon runs a social media strategy firm and he offers free information for non-profits who want to learn how to market themselves wisely through modern web based methods.

<https://docs.google.com/templates> Google Templates is a website you may not know about but it can save you TONS of time putting together spreadsheets and forms. It can be very useful for non-profits who want to get things done quicker and easier.