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SRNS Employees Team Up, Helping Those in Need throughout the Greater Augusta Area

AIKEN, S.C. – April 23, 2015 – More than 60 employees from Department of Energy contractor Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) volunteered recently at six United Way agencies located throughout the greater Augusta area as part of this year's Project SERVE.

Each year, a large number of SRNS employees commit to work at a project during their day off that will improve the quality of life for disadvantaged children, low-income senior citizens, the disabled or financially challenged single-parent homeowners.

"I got started four years ago as a team member on a project," said Bill Tadlock, SRNS manager and Project SERVE Lead for the Saint Stephen's Ministry task team. "I was so impressed, I agreed to be a team lead the next year and have greatly enjoyed it ever since. It's a lot of fun, and you meet good people who are interested in helping others."

"We've found that the United Way agency staff members would rather spend their funding on people rather than painting and repairs," added Tadlock. "And, that's where our teams from SRNS come in, working to create that financial freedom."

Tasks typical of Project SERVE include clearing debris, painting, repairing flooring, putting up dry wall, building wheel chair ramps, installing smoke detectors, fixing faulty plumbing and yard work.



SRNS employee Richard Brown works with other team members to remove old and damaged carpeting at Augusta's Shiloh Community Center, just one of several SRNS teams who recently assisted six United Way agencies, a part of SRNS's annual "Project SERVE."

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“It’s my understanding that SRS employees have been helping here for 15 years,” said Elizabeth Jones, Executive Director, Shiloh Community Center, Augusta, Ga. “We greatly appreciate Savannah River Nuclear Solutions employees coming out to help us on this day of service. It’s awesome and powerful that we have people that are committed to help us restore and preserve this historical site. Without their help, these buildings probably would have fallen apart long before now.”

The mission of the Shiloh Community Center is to provide services for people living in the inner-city of Augusta. More than 80 percent of those served by this agency live beneath the poverty level. Services include free tutoring, a food pantry and activities for seniors.

Other 2015 Project SERVE teams worked at several locations as well, including the Heritage Academy, CSRA Boy Scouts, Augusta Family Counseling Center and the North Augusta Salvation Army Store.

Projects SERVE, CARE (Barnwell County) and VISION assist United Way agencies found throughout much of the Central Savannah River Area.

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