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## SRNS Employees Take Time Off to Team Up, Helping Those in Need throughout the Greater Augusta Area

**AIKEN, S.C.**, August 29, 2022 – More than 45 Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) employees from the Savannah River Site (SRS) recently volunteered their time at United Way agencies located throughout the greater Augusta area as part of this year's Project SERVE campaign.

Each year, many SRNS employees commit to a day of work at a project that will improve the quality of life for disadvantaged children, low-income senior citizens or the disabled.

Tasks typical of Project SERVE include clearing debris, painting siding, repairing flooring, putting up dry wall, building wheelchair ramps, installing smoke detectors, constructing fences, fixing faulty plumbing and various types of yard work.

"For well over a decade, we've seen numerous repairs and improvements made to our academy through the hours of work invested by SRNS employees," said Linda Tucciarone, Executive Director, Heritage Academy. "They understand the importance of our mission and desire to do whatever is asked of them to ensure our facilities fully meet the needs of our staff and students. We greatly appreciate all they do for us."

Heritage Academy is an independent school offering a quality Christ-centered education to children of diverse economic, racial and ethnic backgrounds, empowering them to become a positive influence for Christ in this community and around the world. Heritage Academy has an intentional mission to the children of low-income families.

"Their mission here at the Heritage Academy in Augusta is so great," said Kevin Cross, Project SERVE Coordinator. "Though we have people painting as well, the primary goal today is to install a new 60-foot fence."

"I can't say enough about our teams of SRNS volunteers. This is their normal day off, and I believe they each have a heartfelt drive to help people. There are always new people each year as well, who hear the call and are willing to make a difference," he added.

Cross explained that the work conducted annually through Project SERVE helps diminish the need for area United Way



Blaker McPhail (left) and Dan Atkins work with a team of Savannah River Nuclear Solutions employees to build a privacy fence for the non-profit Heritage Academy in Augusta, Georgia, during this year's Project Serve event. The Academy has a mission to serve the children of low-income families.

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agencies to allocate resources towards general repairs, refurbishing or adding various features to a variety of structures. "Any funding saved through the efforts our various Project SERVE teams offer can go towards their day-to-day services provided to those in need," said Cross. "It's a good feeling at the end of the day knowing our teams have made a contribution."

SRNS Project SERVE teams also worked at the Family Counseling Center of the CSRA and Camp Tanglewood.

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

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