



OFFICE OF HUMAN SERVICES & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS: VOLUNTEER SERVICES

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Goal Statement

To empower citizens to answer local needs through volunteerism and community engagement.

Strategic Initiatives/Support Highlights

Governance

- Leon County encourages residents to become partners in public service by serving as volunteers and interns.
- VolunteerLEON, in response to customer feedback, launched a new interactive volunteer matching system. Agencies are posting and using the system as one of their main recruitment tools, reporting excellent results.
- VolunteerLEON 's Internship Program connects students to hands on, meaningful resume-building Internships, which has resulted in more interest than available positions. County offices are interviewing up to four students for one position. Internship evaluations of students in the program and County department supervisors reported satisfaction rates of 95% and 97% respectively.

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RESPONSIVE VOLUNTEERISM & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Leon County continues to leverage to the vast talents and resources of the community's residents for the benefit of a diverse group of organizations and individuals:
 - » More than 4,500 citizens have volunteered in Leon County government through internships and volunteer service in County programs and special events, contributing over 100,000 hours of time, talent and skills.
 - » VolunteerLEON is the only local resource that provides the Florida Volunteer Administration Certificate Program, a 24-hour volunteer management course that provides up-to-date, practical guidance for the major areas of volunteer leadership and management. For the past 7 years, VolunteerLEON has led a statewide presentation team to conduct this training at the Governor's Hurricane Conference, training hundreds of emergency management participants, consistently earning one of the conferences's highest evaluation ratings.
- » VolunteerLEON in their role as the County's Emergency Support Function "Volunteers and Donations" (ESF-15) has trained more than 200 employee and volunteers to support Leon County's Emergency Operation Center. Advanced Emergency Training curriculum was created for "leadership" volunteers, thus creating a solid team of staff and citizens to further strengthen the County's response and recovery roles.
- » VolunteerLEON continues to play a leadership role in the activities of Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD), an association of humanitarian organizations that participate in all phases of a disaster situation.
- » As part of the 9/11 National Day of Remembrance and Service, a VolunteerLEON-led effort, the community came together to remember, through positive action, the 9/11 victims, survivors, and those who rose up in service in response to those attacks. More than 100 engaged volunteers and Leon County employees, coordinated the rehabilitation of more than 35 homes with more than 20 project assignments in the Crown Ridge Estates Neighborhood.

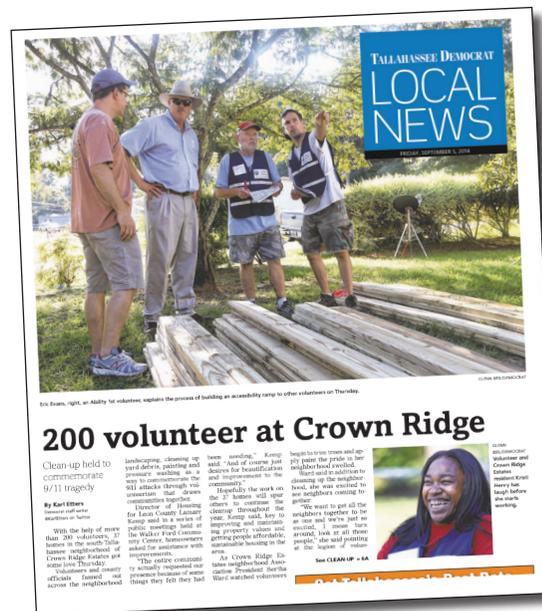


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9/11 Day of Remembrance and Service Project



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