Spring into Service Projects

This year, the Center for Civic Engagement will be hosting its third annual Spring into Service. Spring into Service is a series of service events that provides students the opportunity to volunteer with different nonprofits in the Charleston area. Volunteering for a Spring into Service event is a great way for students get involved without having to make a long-term commitment.

On the morning of Saturday, March 31st from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., we will harvest crops with Fields to Families. On April 11th, there will be a service project working with Keep Charleston Beautiful from 2:00-4:15 p.m.

Students can now sign up for Spring into Service and all other Center for Civic Engagement events on our blog. Visit http://volunteer.cofc.edu and click on the events tab to register today.

This year, 44 students spent their Spring Break traveling to tropical places like Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, and Immokalee, Florida. What sets their trips apart from the typical college students’? These students’ main objective for spring break was not partying but to do service. The service that these students will be doing will be revolved around issues such as Community Development and Sustainable Living, Organic Farming, English as a Foreign Language and Education Issues, and Food Justice and Migrant Families.

These students will return from spring break with a new perspective on issues in developing nations and invigorated to take what they have learned and make change in the Charleston community.
Engage and Empower is an awareness week with events focusing on various issues affecting the community. The purpose of these events is to bring to light the community concerns surrounding the College of Charleston campus. This year’s topics include the Water Crisis, Outreach to the Elderly, Human Trafficking, Community Enrichment, and Animal and Wildlife Welfare.

**Monday, April 2nd**  
3:00 p.m. | Extreme Makeover: Changes for Charleston | Alumni Center in the School of Education, Health, and Human Performance  
6:00 p.m. | Hear My Story: Human Trafficking Knocking at Your Front Door | Maybank 100

**Tuesday, April 3rd**  
7:00 p.m. | Age of Neglect: Spotlighting Issues of the Elderly | Robert Scott Small 252

**Wednesday, April 4th**  
12:00 p.m. | What Would Tarzan Do: A Look at Animal Welfare Issues | Stern Center Gardens

**Thursday, April 5th**  
7:00 p.m. | America in Crisis | Stern Ballroom

Join our last session of *Bingo and Beyond* for the semester, where we’ll be playing with puppies and kittens!  
Tuesday, March 27, 2012 | 3:30-5:30 pm

Email Eliza Blades at emblades@cofc.edu if you would like to get involved!