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SRNS Gives over \$1.2M to Local United Way Agencies

SRNS Employees Raise \$1M, Parent Companies Provide an Additional \$200,000 as Corporate Match

AIKEN, S.C. (Oct. 27, 2016) – Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) employees gave back to the community through another successful United Way campaign, achieving over \$1.2 million, which includes the employee campaign and corporate match. To celebrate this milestone, the SRNS campaign committee invited the nine United Way agencies who are designated to receive donations to a celebration at Newberry Hall in Aiken, S.C.

During the event, campaign chair Carter Hopkins presented SRNS donation checks to United Way agency representatives. Among them were Sharon Rodgers, President, United Way of Aiken County; LaVerne



Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) raised over \$1.2 million during the SRNS employee United Way fundraising campaign, benefitting nine United Way agencies located throughout the greater Central Savannah River Area (CSRA). SRNS employees and representatives from the United Way agencies celebrated the completion of the highly successful campaign. Front row, from left: Bonnie Yon, SRNS; Crystal Oakley, SRNS; Carter Hopkins, SRNS United Way Campaign Chair; and Candace Stevenson, SRNS. Back row, from left: Susie Ferrara, SRNS; Melanie Leopard, SRNS; Jess Wilbanks, President and CPO, Barnwell County United Way; Rich Baker, SRNS United Way Campaign Vice Chair; LaVerne Gold, President and CEO, United Way of the CSRA; Richard Hillman, SRNS Loaned Professional; Rina Powell, Senior Director of Resource Development, United Way of the CSRA; Dan Armstrong, SRNS; Ellen Luton, Director of Marketing, United Way of Aiken County; Jim Moore, SRNS Loaned Professional; Sharon Rodgers, President, United Way of Aiken County; Bill Kwiatkowski, SRNS; and Will Northington, SRNS.

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Gold, President and CEO, United Way of the CSRA; and Jess Wilbanks, President and CPO, United Way of Barnwell County.

“Savannah River Nuclear Solutions means the world to our communities,” said Rodgers. “You are the largest supporter and contributor for United Way of Aiken County. Carter and the SRNS United Way campaign team did an outstanding job this year, making sure everyone at SRNS is aware of the critical needs in our area. Last year, more than 200,000 people were impacted by these dollars, and the SRNS campaign will allow us to continue reaching out to people who need a helping hand.”

“Going into our campaign this year, we knew there were going to be several challenges,” said Gold. “Some of the companies in Augusta are set to close at the end of 2017, and people who know they are losing their jobs may not be as motivated to give, and at the same time there will be the potential for more people in need. For that reason, we are so thankful that Savannah River Nuclear Solutions stepped up and gave us a tremendous gift by helping offset some of the costs we anticipate in the future.”

“Savannah River Nuclear Solutions is a pace setter in giving for this entire region, and it’s certainly true for Barnwell County,” Wilbanks said. “SRNS’ donation makes up fifty percent of our campaign goal, setting the standard for the other businesses and campaigns in our area. It’s really inspiring and encouraging for our community, not only this year’s donation, but the overall pattern SRNS employees have of consistently giving year after year.”

The Savannah River Site has a history of giving. Initially known as the Community Chest, United Way has been a major focus for SRS employees since 1952.

“It’s humbling, encouraging and exciting to see our workforce and retirees come together and make it a priority to give back,” Hopkins said. “We pride ourselves on the fact that SRNS employees make great contributions to national security. I’m just as proud of the contributions we make to help those in need in our local communities. I sincerely appreciate all SRNS employees for volunteering their time and contributing to the campaign, which enabled us to exceed our 2016 goal of \$1 million.”

The United Way agencies that receive contributions from the SRNS Employee United Way Campaign include: Aiken County; Allendale County; Barnwell County; Bamberg, Colleton and Hampton Counties; Edgefield County; Midlands; McDuffie County; Screven County; and United Way of the CSRA.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions is a Fluor-led company whose members are Fluor Federal Services, Newport News Nuclear and Honeywell, responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy’s Savannah River Site, including the Savannah River National Laboratory, located near Aiken, South Carolina.

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