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

AIKEN, S.C. – May 12, 2016 – More than 200 employees from Department of Energy contractor Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) volunteered recently to work at multiple United Way agencies located throughout the greater Augusta area as part of this year's Project SERVE.

Employees commit to work during their day off to take on projects that will improve the living conditions of disadvantaged children, low-income senior citizens, the disabled, single-parent homeowners or a specific United Way agency partner.

Team projects typically include clearing debris, painting, repairing flooring, performing electrical work, putting up drywall, building fences and wheelchair ramps, replacing rotting boards, fixing faulty plumbing and performing yard work.

"I've been involved with Project SERVE for about seven years," said SRNS employee Eloy Saldivar. "I've seen the really good side of the CSRA and a side that may need some help. And so, I think about all the things I've been given at the Savannah River Site and with my family and believe that donating one day to this effort is not too much give. I want to be with my SRNS team, sharing some of the talent and skills we've acquired over the years to give back to the community."



*SRNS employees Scott Pardue and Truong Van work with other team members to cleanup and improve the landscaping at the Easter Seals facility in Augusta, Ga., just one of several SRNS teams who recently assisted six United Way agencies, a part of SRS's annual "Project SERVE."*

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According to Lynn Smith, president of Easter Seals East Georgia, the organization's funds are limited, with the bulk of their budget going towards service and to support their day-to-day mission.

“Whenever we can get some people to volunteer, we are deeply grateful for their time,” Smith said. “In fact, I always get excited to see the folks from SRNS during Project SERVE because they’re highly organized, with a project management mentality.”

Easter Seals has been helping individuals with disabilities and special needs, and their families, live better lives for nearly 100 years. From child development centers to physical rehabilitation and job training for people with disabilities, Easter Seals offers a variety of services to help people address life’s challenges and achieve personal goals.

Other 2016 Project SERVE teams from SRS worked at the Augusta Family Counseling Center, CSRA Boy Scout facility, East Heritage Academy and Girl Scout Camp Tanglewood,

Projects SERVE, CARE (Barnwell County) and VISION (Aiken County) assist United Way agencies throughout the Central Savannah River Area. Project CARE was held the same day as Project SERVE and provided a wide range of assistance for a number of United Way organizations in Barnwell County.

*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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