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## VolunteerWAKULLA Will Host The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Make a Difference Day

Please join VolunteerWAKULLA, other hometown charities, agencies, and businesses in celebrating volunteer contributions to our community. On Saturday April 25, VolunteerWAKULLA will host its second annual “Make a Difference Day” featuring simultaneous community service events (Park Improvement, Library Landscaping, Keep Wakulla Beautiful, Forest Cleanup and others).

Individuals and organizations may sign-up on-line at [www.volunteerwakulla.org](http://www.volunteerwakulla.org) or come to Hudson Park (8:00 a.m.) to learn how to become involved. After the service activities are completed, a free meal, door prizes, and community celebration (12:30 p.m.) at the park will complete the day’s planned events.

You might be asking yourself, “What is a Volunteer Center and what does it mean to me other than just on Make a Difference Day?”

EVERYDAY - VolunteerWAKULLA.org will connect you to local service opportunities in Wakulla County. VolunteerWAKULLA and the associated website use the professional support of VolunteerLEON, Volunteer Florida, Hands On Network, and others. As a Volunteer Center member, you use these services to recruit volunteers to help with needs identified through your church, service club, or business. By signing up on-line you can broadcast your solutions or community events and “call-out” to motivated workers for assistance.

Periodically during the year, the center will provide Wakulla County with specialized training for both volunteers and those who utilize the services of volunteers. By combining our efforts into one center we are becoming more efficient in responding to the needs in our community.

Volunteers are essential to Wakulla County citizen’s way of life. We all reap the benefits when working together... and it’s much more than what businesses, agencies, and governments receive from volunteers. Volunteers gain valuable work experience while engaged in services, which provide career stepping-stones for the future. As a volunteer you can increase skill sets while helping your neighbors.

So, sign-up as a volunteer now and take [www.VolunteerWakulla.org](http://www.VolunteerWakulla.org) for a test drive. If you have any questions about “Make a Difference Day” please contact 850-251-0939 or 850-509-7063. See you at Hudson Park on April 25<sup>th</sup>!