

# PRCR VOLUNTEER REPORT

FY 2020 | July 2019 – June 2020



Together, we connect and  
enrich our community  
through EXCEPTIONAL  
experiences.



**Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources  
Volunteer Services Program**  
<https://raleighnc.gov/parks-volunteer>



# DEPARTMENT TOTALS

Fiscal year 2020 (July 2019 - June 2020) brought many new challenges to the department. Volunteer programs were drastically scaled back for four months while staff adapted programs and operations to function in the midst of a global pandemic. Over 100 volunteer events were canceled including large-scale events like Holiday Express. Due to COVID-19, the department developed new policies to help keep volunteers and staff safe. We were one of the few volunteer programs that was operational during this time, setting new standards for other programs in the area. This was a difficult year and we are very thankful for everyone's support.

Below are the totals for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department as well as a breakdown of each division. The dollar values are determined by the Value of Volunteer Time as set by the Independent Sector. The dollar amount for fiscal year 2020 is \$25.43.

## Department Volunteer Totals

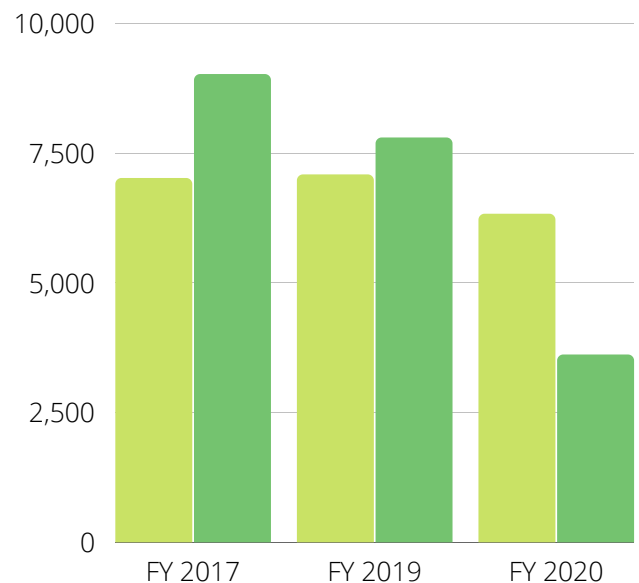
Volunteers: **9,942**

Hours of Service: **61,164.78**

Value of Service: **\$1,662,115.82**

This chart shows the effects of COVID-19, at a time when the department is usually it's busiest. Light green represents July 1 December 31. Dark green represents January 1 - June 30.

**Effects of COVID-19**  
Volunteers by Half-Year Totals



# DIVISION TOTALS

## Parks

The Parks division has a list of volunteer opportunities ranging from the Adopt-A-Park program to spring plantings. The Invasive Species Program and donor benches also fall under this division.

Volunteers: **4,710**

Hours of Service: **19,326.28**

Value of Service: **\$490,543.59**



## Natural Resources

These volunteers are ecological educators and protectors for locations like Durant Nature Preserve. They assist with citizen science and land enhancement projects for Nature Preserves

Volunteers: **1,175**

Hours of Service: **3,087.75**

Value of Service: **\$76,690.54**





# DIVISION TOTALS CONT.

## Recreation

Recreation utilizes volunteers for many special events within the community, including egg hunts, Special Olympics, and Sunfest. They also coordinate coaching opportunities.

Volunteers: **2,866**

Hours of Service: **27,258.75**

Value of Service: **\$802,864.42**



## Cultural Resources

These volunteers preserve the history of Raleigh locations by serving as museum guides for locations like the City of Raleigh Museum and Mordecai Historic home.

Volunteers: **882**

Hours of Service: **7,725**

Value of Service: **\$196,222.46**



# BOARDS, COMMITTEES & DONATIONS

## Advisory Boards and Committees

These community leaders serve as liaisons between City Council and Raleigh citizens by serving on advisory boards and commissions. This includes the Historic Resources & Museums Board, Historic Cemetery Board Parks, Recreation & Greenway Board, Public Art & Design Board, and the Raleigh Arts Commission. These numbers are included in the department's overall totals.

Volunteers: **309**

Hours of Service: **3,767**

Value of Service: **\$95,794.81**



## Donations

Monetary donations from the community can be made through the Play it Forward program. They help to provide affordable, accessible programs that bring children, individuals, and families into our parks and give them great reasons to play for a lifetime.

### Play it Forward Raleigh

Donations: **\$63,447**



# FRED FLETCHER AWARDS

## 2020 Ceremony

For the first time in years, the Fred Fletcher Outstanding Volunteer Awards Ceremony was not hosted at the Duke Energy Center for Performing Arts. Instead, a drive-through style ceremony was adopted. Most of the award recipients were able to attend, as well as a few Parks, Recreation, and Greenway Advisory Board members. 16 categories were awarded, including the Harvey Karsevar Award. Below is a complete list of 2020's outstanding volunteers.

Category	Name
Harvey Karsevar Award	Dan Dunn
Outstanding Athletic Volunteer	Dashon Moore
Outstanding Corporate Financial	Alamo Drafthouse Cinema
Outstanding Nonprofit Financial Contributor	Dorothea Dix Park Conservancy
Outstanding Greenway Volunteer	Caroline Phelan
Outstanding Adopt-A-Park	Eric Kardon and Abbey Willis
Outstanding Adult Program	Tony Simone
Outstanding Specialized Recreation Program Volunteer	Ron Burt
Outstanding Volunteer Group	CAHEC
Outstanding Project Volunteer	Napoleon Wright II
Outstanding Park Volunteer	Jon Curtis
Outstanding Program Volunteer	Milagro Saints
Outstanding Teen Volunteer	Kayla McLamb
Outstanding Cultural Resources Volunteer Group	Scottish Cultural Organization of the Triangle
Outstanding Cultural Resources Individual Volunteer	Victoria Haas
Award of Excellence	Alpha Phi Omega - Iota Lambda

**Nominees:** Angela Mitchell, Vic Smith, Brian Sherman, Edmond Eaddy, James McCullers, Travis Leach, Scott and Pam Nesbitt, The McCrary Family, Peter Davis, Bruce Blankenhorn, Auston Grove Apartments, STANTEC, Triangle Young Professional Civitan Club, David White, Donna Wooster, Sam Martin, Isadora Wisenbaker, Steve Goldner, Garden Corps, Leo R. Franks, Teya Franks, Alicia McGill, and Wannetta Worthy.