UPCOMING EVENTS

Engage Your Community  The Nonprofit Leadership Certification Program (NLCP) sponsored by Adventist Community Services equips church leaders to play a vital role in their community. The wide range of seminars will provide participants with a road map for effective, meaningful community change. Session I - June 17-20, 2013 and Session II - September 23-26, 2013 will be hosted by the Southeastern California Conference in Riverside, CA. Register by May 29 and save $100.

Community Service Emphasis Day!  April 27, 2013
Westbank United SDA Church
2401 General Meyer Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70114

Spring into Health! Health & Wellness Fair  May 5, 2013
Raleigh SDA Church
4204 Jackson Avenue
Memphis, TN 38128

Adventist Community Services Sabbath - May 4
Did you know that Adventist Community Services assists people affected by natural disasters, provides emotional...
and spiritual care for survivors of traumatic events, and offers tutoring and mentoring for youth? Ask your church community service director on how you can get involved with Adventist Community Services.  

STORIES

ACS DR Response to West, TX Fertilizer Plant Explosion

Texas Adventist Community Services Disaster Response (ACS DR) deployed following the West, TX Fertilizer Plant Explosion. At the Hillsboro Outlet Mall ACS DR, in cooperation with Hill County Emergency Management, operated a receiving center for disaster relief supplies. Personal care items, diapers, paper products, first aid supplies, school supplies, food, clothing, pet food, and other items were collected, sorted, and sent to a staging area for use by the survivors. A mother and her young son brought some items for the survivors, including a Toy Story sleeping bag. When asked if he had outgrown it, she replied that it was one of his favorite things, but he wanted to share with a child who had lost everything in the explosion.

The Mobile Distribution Unit, a semi filled with pre-packaged outfits of clothing, personal care kits, and blankets, was deployed to West, Texas, to serve the survivors of the Fertilizer Plant Explosion. Other agencies were also at the same location, offering various services. As the goods from the ACS DR truck were shared with them, some told of their miraculous experiences surviving the blast. Friends would see each other for the first time since the explosion, would hug each other, share experiences, talk about those who lost their lives, and inquire about friends and relatives.

A group of Students from Southwestern Adventist University enthusiastically volunteered to assist at the receiving area in Hillsboro, as well as helping with the mobile distribution unit in West.

The motto for Adventist Community Services is "Serving Communities in Christ's Name".

Sherry Watts, Texas ACS DR Assistant Director

Please consider making a donation to help make a difference in the lives of those affected by donating in one of the following ways:
1. Go to www.communityservices.org to donate online.
2. Call 1-800-381-7171 to donate over the phone.
3. Mail a check to: ACS Disaster Response, 12501 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904

Thank you for your generosity!

Sherry Watts assisting with the survivors
Nonprofit Leadership Certification Program (NLCP) is designed to equip pastors, church administration and nonprofit leaders with strategies and professional skills to successfully lead. NLCP focuses on three major learning outcomes; a) leadership skills, b) improvement of management knowledge, and c) changes in attitude of social dimensions of evangelism.

This intensive two session program is taught by a group of professionals who teach participants how to operate and minister effectively.

This training is provided by North American Division (NAD) Adventist Community Services, in partnership with Washington Adventist University Center for Metropolitan Ministry, Andrews University, Philanthropic Services for Institutions, General Conference Sabbath School/Personal Ministries, Adventist World Radio and Adventist Risk Management.

Participants will learn:

Leadership:
- To improve participants' abilities to affect individual, organization, and community changes.

Management:
- To improve participants' abilities to effectively handle the administrative responsibilities of nonprofit management.

Social Dimensions of Evangelism:
- To improve participants' abilities through biblical concepts of holistic ministry to minister in dynamic environments.

"It was a pleasure to be involved in such a meaningful, useful and well planned training. I found that the Non-Profit Leadership Training is essential to church leaders and organizers and could be beneficial to many more in our congregations. I believe there are many who sit in the pews who are not motivated to use their leadership gifts from God. This is the type of preparation that will bump us up a few notches preparing us for more effective ministry. My plan is to use this in conjunction with my formal training to be a more effective servant leader."
Again, thank you for your ministry." - Michele Gamble

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Additional links on this topic:
 NLCP Photos from Session I - June 2012

Presenters

Registration

Session I - Course Descriptions - June 17-20, 2013

Session II - Course Descriptions - September 23 - 26, 2013

Time Schedule

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