

Volunteer Water Quality Monitors:

1) Short Term Monitoring Program

Number of Volunteers needed- many

Time Commitment- Approximately 3- 5 hours, monthly (UGWA is currently seeking volunteers for its two new monitoring programs).

Training Provided- State certification training is provided for volunteers (4-6 hours)

Responsibilities- Work in teams of 2 or 3 using specialized monitoring equipment to measure and record observations on biological, chemical, and physical stream conditions. Collect water samples for lab analysis. Record visual observation of stream conditions. Volunteers should be dressed appropriately for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Moderate physical exertion is required.

Rewards- Volunteers will learn about stream health. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are providing data vital to the development of stream cleanup projects. Volunteers will have fun and meet new people. Volunteers will explore their watershed and enjoy the outdoors. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are helping the community.

2) Long Term Monitoring Program

Number of Volunteers needed- many

Time Commitment- Approximately 5 hours 4 times per year (i.e. one Sunday afternoon in the spring, summer, winter and fall).

Training Provided- State certification training is provided for volunteers (4-6 hours)

Responsibilities- Work in teams of 2 or 3 using specialized monitoring equipment to measure and record observations on biological, chemical, and physical stream conditions. Collect water samples for lab analysis. Record visual observation of stream conditions. Volunteers should be dressed appropriately for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Moderate physical exertion is required.

Rewards- Volunteers will learn about stream health. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are providing data vital to the development of stream cleanup projects. Volunteers will have fun and meet new people. Volunteers will explore their watershed and enjoy the outdoors. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are helping the community.

Make it Shine: Stream Clean Up Help:

Number of Volunteers Needed-- Many. All watershed residents are encouraged to participate in the stream cleanup.

Time Commitment- The cleanup is a one-day event that lasts approximately 5 hours.

Location- On the banks of the Guyandotte River or one of its major tributaries. Cleanup location varies from year to year. Volunteers will meet at the [MOC](#) and

carpool to the cleanup site.

Volunteer Responsibilities- Collect and bag trash along the stream bank. Full bags are carried to a central location and piled for pick-up at a later date. Volunteers should be dressed appropriately for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Moderate physical exertion is required.

Rewards- Lunch will be provided. Volunteers will participate in a rewarding activity that demonstrates immediate results. Volunteers will have fun and enjoy the company of other community-minded individuals. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are helping the community. This is also a great opportunity for youth groups or service organizations to log volunteer hours and participate in a community improvement activity.

Dogwood Festival Assistance:

Number of Volunteers Needed- 3-5

Time Commitment-The Dogwood Festival is an annual two-day event held on a Friday and Saturday. Volunteers are asked to donate 2-5 hours of their time.

Location- downtown Mullens

Volunteer Responsibilities- Set up the tent, table, and display prior to the start of the festival. Staff the UGWA booth during the festival. Distribute brochures and other literature, recruit new UGWA members, solicit responses to a public opinion survey, and answer questions about UGWA and its various projects.

Rewards- Volunteers will have fun and meet new people. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are helping the community.

Website Manager:

Number of Volunteers Needed-1-2

Time Commitment-5 to 10 hours a month

Location- MOC computer lab, UGWA office, or any computer with internet access

Volunteer Responsibilities-Maintain the UGWA website and update as needed.

Volunteer may also use his/her talents to teach other volunteers or staff the necessary skills needed to effectively maintain the site.

Rewards-Volunteers will have fun and meet new people. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of knowing they are helping the community and ensuring the sustainability of a local non-profit organization. Volunteers will have the satisfaction of teaching other a valuable new skill.

Guyandotte Celebration Assistance:

Number if Volunteers Needed-Many

Time Commitment- 4-8 Hours

Location-MOC stage and side lot

Volunteer responsibilities--- Help set up for the festival. During the festival working the concession stand, running the cotton candy machine, assisting with Jupiter Jump, or helping the bands as needed. After the festival helping with cleanup.

Anything-That-Floats Race

Number of Volunteers needed- 3-5

Time Commitment- 3-5 Hours

Locations- Along the Guyandotte River between the start and finish of the race.

Volunteer responsibilities- set at your given location and be a check point for the racers. Hand out beverages to the racers as they pass.