



# October Flashback

Friends of the Reedy River

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## Upcoming Events and Volunteer Opportunities

### **Water Quality Monitoring Outing:** November 7 & TBD

The Greenville area water quality monitoring team will head to the river on November 7! The Simpsonville team will monitor one morning in mid-November (specific date tbd). Updates will be announced on our [social media](#) and in our Monitoring Team Email. [Contact us](#) if you are interested in joining either group and [Join Our Monitoring Team](#) to receive future updates!

### **FoRR 2022 Annual Meeting:** Evening of November 30

Save the Date! FoRR's 2022 Annual meeting will be held at Feed & Seed Co. the evening of Wednesday, November 30 (beginning at 5:30). More details will be emailed to FoRR members soon.

### **2022 Annual Letter:** Coming Soon!

Our 2022 Friends of the Reedy River Annual Letter is hot off the press! You should be receiving it via your mailbox or your e-mail in the coming weeks. Read all about how you and FoRR have made a positive impact on our hometown river. We want to continue providing our critical work in 2023, but we need your help! Please consider donating to support our mission.

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See the latest water quality data [HERE!](#)

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## October In Review...

October 5

# Veritas School at Cleveland Park Stables



On Wednesday, October 5, FoRR was joined by a group of 14 students and two teachers from the **Veritas School**. They have volunteered with us previously through an out-of-the-water litter cleanup, but because they had additional people joining them this year, we were able to engage them by removing invasive plant species at the rain gardens in Cleveland Park Stables. They spent over two hours clearing out more than half of the largest bed and did a great job of identifying the desirable versus non-desirable vegetation. This was a wonderful way to educate and engage young members of our community, and conduct the maintenance necessary within Stables park. They were super enthusiastic and did a great job! We hope to have them out again soon.

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## October 8 Subaru Share the Love Kickoff Event

Fairway Subaru kicked off its "Share the Love" campaign on October 8 at Double Stamp Brewery. Friends of the Reedy River was there to help educate the community on how to get involved in protecting our local watershed. We were able to make lots of new connections and spend time with some of our other partners in the upstate like Conestee Nature Preserve, Trees Upstate, and Upstate Forever.



Thanks to Fairway Subaru for including FoRR in this fun afternoon!

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## October 16 OktoberForest Fest



Friends of the Reedy River participated in OktoberForest Fest on October 16 at Hampton Station. It was a fun event organized by The Nature Conservancy, Greenville Water, and Birds Fly South Ale Project to celebrate the interconnectivity of good beer, clean water, and healthy forests. FoRR held a drawing for a Yeti Cooler, and one of our very supportive FoRR volunteers ended up winning it! Thanks to everyone who stopped by our table for information, merchandise, and fun games!

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## October 26 Cleveland Park Stables Volunteer Event



FoRR, with the help of the City of Greenville Department of Parks and Recreation, hosted an Invasive Plant Pull at Cleveland Park Stables last week. We identified and removed invasive, non-native, and undesirable plant species to prepare the area for new native plants in the spring. Thank you to our awesome group of volunteers for your hard work!

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## Mast General Store: Friends Day

Mast General Store chose FoRR as their Friends Day partner last September 10. They donated 10% of the day's sales and asked each customer to round up their purchases to benefit our organization. We received a check last week for \$4,079.68! That is after already receiving \$1,103.32 from a round-up event last May. They have been a longtime community partner of ours, and we appreciate their continued support. Let's show our thanks by visiting their store on Main Street in downtown Greenville.





# Join FoRR's Board in 2023!

## Call for Board of Directors Nominees

Are you or someone you know interested in being more involved with FoRR? The Board of Directors for Friends of the Reedy River is looking to fill two vacancies on our board beginning in January 2023. Requirements and preferred qualities for consideration can be found below.

### **The Nominee must:**

- Be a member of Friends of the Reedy River (required annual donation of \$30, minimum)
- Volunteer experience
- Ability to regularly participate in events and outreach activities
- Display enthusiasm and motivation to preserve and improve the Reedy River watershed

### **Preferred qualifications for consideration, but not required:**

- Experience working with or for nonprofit organizations
- Volunteer leadership experience

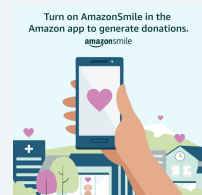
We appreciate your consideration of nomination for FoRR's B.O.D. Please submit your nominations or self-nominate by filling out the requested information [HERE](#) as soon as possible and we will reach out to you. Please reply to this email with any questions.

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## Support FoRR this Holiday Season

### Shop with Amazon Smile

With holiday gift-giving just around the corner, you can support FoRR in the Amazon Shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones. Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations.



1. Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device
2. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'
3. Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process.

We appreciate your continued support of Friends of the Reedy River, now more than ever.

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## Sponsorship Opportunity

FoRR is always looking for corporate sponsors for our biannual river cleanups. If you know of a business that is interested in sponsoring, please contact our board president, [Scott Butler](#).



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