

Toolkit Resource #32:

Non-Governmental Organizations Focusing on Coastal Restoration and Community Involvement in the Southeastern United States

- **The North Carolina Coastal Federation**
For over 25 years, the North Carolina Coastal Federation (NCCF) has served as the only non-profit organization focused exclusively on protecting and restoring the coast of North Carolina. NCCF has designated community involvement as a key component in its education, advocacy, and habitat preservation and restoration strategies. For more information, visit <http://www.nccoast.org/>.
- **Tampa Bay Watch**
Tampa Bay Watch, Inc., is a non-profit stewardship program dedicated exclusively to the charitable and scientific purpose of protecting and restoring the marine and wetland environments of the Tampa Bay estuary. Tampa Bay Watch trains and organizes citizen volunteers, students, at-risk youth, and civic organizations to participate in environmental projects while heightening community awareness of the fragility and importance of the environment. For more information, visit <http://www.tampabaywatch.org/>.
- **Gulf of Mexico Foundation**
The Gulf of Mexico Foundation promotes conservation and preservation of the Gulf through voluntary and cooperative stewardship by individuals, communities, and economic enterprises of the U.S. and Mexico. Only through awareness, understanding, and stewardship can the Gulf be conserved and nurtured for the benefit of future generations. For more information, visit <http://www.gulfmex.org/>.
- **Galveston Bay Foundation**
The Galveston Bay Foundation serves to preserve, protect, and enhance Galveston Bay – one of the world’s most productive estuaries. The Foundation’s balanced programs in advocacy, conservation, education, and research strive to ensure that Galveston Bay remains a beautiful and productive place for future generations. For more information, visit <http://www.galvbay.org/>.
- **Alabama Coastal Foundation**
The Alabama Coastal Foundation (ACF) works to create a healthy balance between the conservation needs of our priceless coastal resources and the inevitable pressures of economic growth. The mission of the ACF is to improve and protect Alabama’s coastal resources by encouraging citizens to educate themselves about local issues, and to work together to preserve the areas natural resources through participation in preservation and educational projects. For more information, visit <http://www.joinacf.org/index.htm>.

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Resources for Developing Volunteer Management Programs

- **Corporation for National and Community Service – Volunteer Resource Center**
The Resource Center is a clearinghouse of materials designed to strengthen national service and volunteer programs – including free downloadable tools; a specialized collection of books, videos, and other publications on loan; the Effective Practices Collection; and a growing catalog of online courses. Discover incredible resources related to national and community service – search the site, browse by topic, and collaborate with other service professionals. http://www.nationalservice.org/for_organizations/tta/index.asp.
- **ServiceLeader.org: For Volunteer Managers**
This area provides information on all aspects of volunteer management, including getting your organization ready to involve volunteers, volunteer screening, matching, record-keeping and evaluation, legal issues/risk management, volunteer/staff relations, online activism by volunteers, and volunteer management software. <http://www.serviceleader.org/new/managers/>.
- **The Volunteer Monitor’s Guide to Quality Assurance Project Plans**
A quality assurance project plan, or QAPP, outlines the procedures that those who conduct a monitoring project should take to ensure the data they collect and analyze meets project requirements. This document is designed to encourage and facilitate the development of volunteer QAPPs by clearly presenting explanations and examples. Readers are urged to consult the additional resources listed in the appendices of this document, and to contact their state or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional quality assurance staff for specific information or guidance on their projects. <http://www.epa.gov/OWOW/monitoring/volunteer/qappcovr.htm>.
- **Habitat Restoration Volunteer Study**
A study to assess the effects of community-based restoration on stewardship in communities, including recommendations for improving volunteer activities and outcomes. http://galvbay.org/docs/GBF_Human_Dimensions_FinalReport_March%202007.pdf.