

**Volunteer your time to the ...
2009 Rouge River Water Festival
Thursday, May 7, 2009
University of Michigan – Dearborn
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM**



PLEASE VOLUNTEER! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In its twelfth consecutive year, the Rouge River Water Festival has become a renowned educational event in Southeast Michigan. Last year nearly 2000 fifth grade students, chaperones, and teachers from 40 elementary schools across the Rouge River Watershed participated in this event.

5th Grade classes from around southeast Michigan come to the University of Michigan – Dearborn Campus to participate in active, hands-on learning presentations. Students will learn how water is used and how important clean water is to all life. They learn how our everyday actions have a profound effect on water quality and how we can minimize these impacts.

The presentations are developed and facilitated by various water resource professionals from scientific, academic, government, business, and industry. A few examples of presentation topics are: acid rain, wastewater and drinking water treatment, oil spill clean-ups, aquatic life, fish and wildlife habitat, water resource management, the Great Lakes, and many more.

What do volunteers do?

This event would not be possible without the incredible support of dedicated volunteers. Some of the opportunities for you to participate include: school group host, check-in assistant, lunch area assistant, parking director and many others outlined in the enclosed Volunteer Jobs Description.

How do I get involved?

Please find the Volunteer Registration Form enclosed, fill out the requested information and send back to us as soon as possible. You may respond **by mail or fax or** obtain registration forms on our web site at, www.umd.umich.edu/eic/waterfest and e-mail them to us. Please feel free to pass this information along to anyone else who might like to contribute their time and enthusiasm.

What should I expect?

A few weeks prior to the event, you will receive a Program Information Packet outlining your specific duties for the day of the Festival. You will also receive directions to campus, a map of the campus, and directions for checking-in on the day of the Festival. **On the day of the Festival each Volunteer will receive lunch, and an official Water Festival T-Shirt!**

More questions?

If you have any questions about being a volunteer, please contact us at (313)593-5338.