



Upstate Circle Of Friends (UCF) is a not for profit organization located in Greenville, South Carolina. Our mission is a solid commitment to expand opportunities, enhance the quality of life, and the progression of at-risk children and their families through various educational recreational, and social programs.



## Thanks to everyone for your participation and continued support of Upstate "Circle" of Friends!

George Singleton-Vice President/COO

On behalf of Upstate Circle of Friends, we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year!

As we enter 2023, many of us make new year's



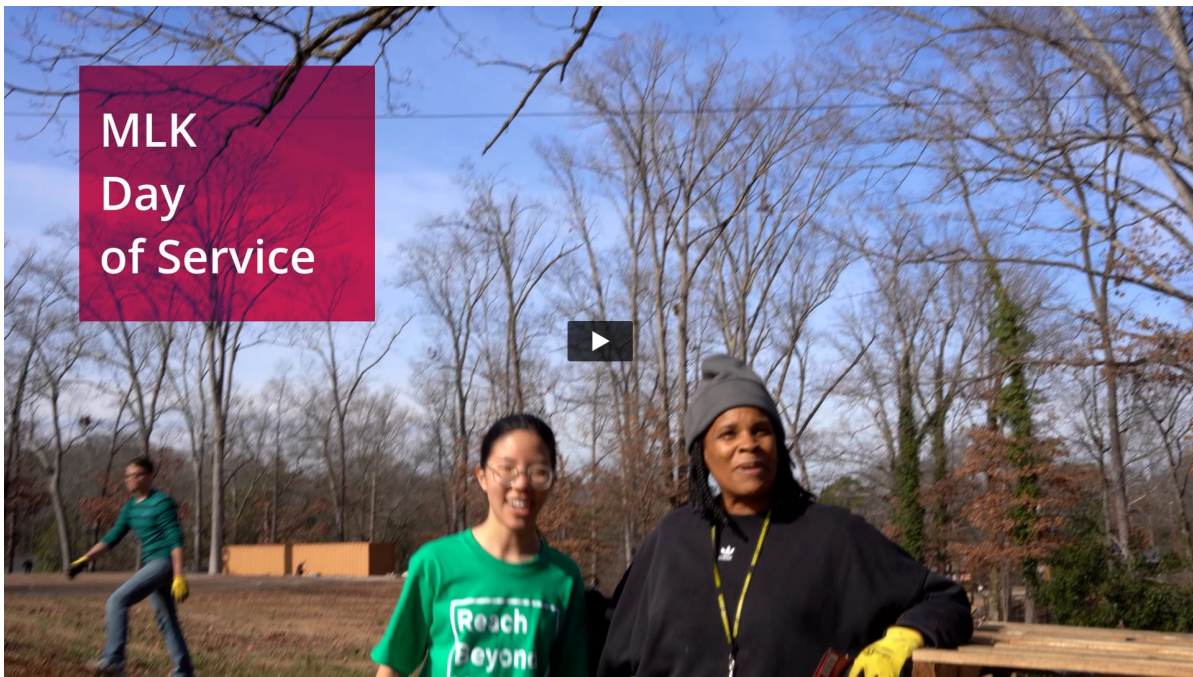
resolutions, and unfortunately, many of us find it difficult to stay true to our commitments. But here at Upstate Circle of Friends, for the past 16 years, we have managed to stay consistence in maintaining our mission and vision. Our yearly resolution is to continue and grow services and programming to benefit the individuals and families in need whom we have served for close to two decades.



January 16<sup>th</sup> is recognized as the Martin Luther King National Day of Service. We were so happy to be able to be part of this day of service and have students from Bob Jones University, Greenville Technical

Charter High School, the Sigma Gamma Rho Rhoers , and the Jack & Jill of America Greenville Chapter participate. Upstate Circle of Friends saw over 100 individuals from these organizations on our campus providing their time and talents. Everyone displayed a great sense of community and for that, we are so thankful. As Dr. Martin Luther King said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, *What are you doing for others?*"





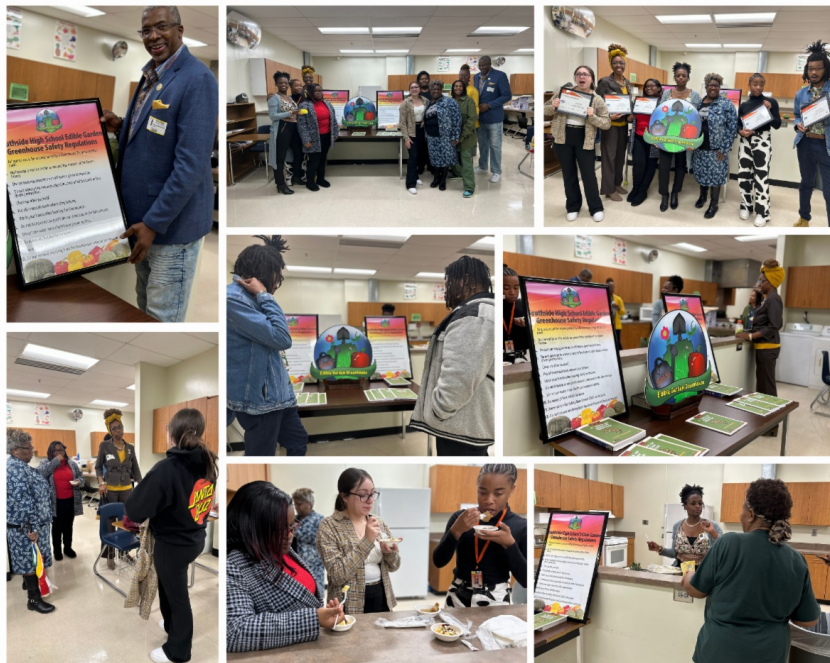
## The Edible Garden

Toya M. Moore, Edible Garden Program Manager





The students at Southside High School were recognized on 12 Jan for their work with the Edible Garden Greenhouse (EGG) program. One of the significant things that they students accomplished earning their



National ServSafe certification. Deloris Pinson, President and CEO of Upstate Circle of Friends is a certified ServSafe Manager, trainer and test proctor. For 2 weeks, students at Southside studied the ServeSafe manual and participated in group discussions, along with hands on learning demonstrations with Deloris. All Five (5) students passed the exam, and were awarded their ServeSafe Certifications.

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## Hello From The Urban Teaching Farm

Kim Gibson, Urban Teaching Farm Manager

Our little farm is getting a refresh. The historic chill that blanketed our city during the last weeks of December gave me as farm manager the opportunity to rethink, redesign and reframe our farm. I am looking forward to collaborating with my team at UCF and community partners to lay a foundation to produce a bounty of organic produce for our weekly farmer's market. Also on the horizon is the roll out of our backyard gardener's program. The week of January 15th marked the beginning of my biweekly visits to Grove Elementary. I will be leading our farm to school outreach program with over 120 K5-5th grade students at Grove elementary.

Mostly I am grateful for the opportunity of embracing the joy and tranquility of our magical farm. From now until the summer months it's full steam ahead empowering, educating and enriching our community.



Keep shining,

Kimberly Michelle



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	<p><b>THE GATHERING: SEASONED ADULTS WITH FLAVOR</b> Tuesday &amp; Thursday 10am-2pm</p>
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