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 **VOLUNTEER**

 **PARTICIPATION FORM**

 **April 12, 2014**

*Thank you for your interest in The BIG Event. The BIG Event offers a unique opportunity for Ferris State Students to give back to their community. This is a great way to say “Thank you” to the City of Big Rapids.*

**\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION\*\***

**\*Anyone who is a Ferris State student can participate in The BIG Event.** All students are encouraged to participate. Sign up with a group of friends, an organization, or as an individual. To participate, just fill out an application.

**\*Make sure the number of people who sign this participation form is actually the number that will participate the day of.** The BIG Event committee uses this number to assign jobs. If the number is incorrect, the group risks being over or understaffed. Please notify The BIG Event office if adjustments need to be made no later than Tuesday, April 1st, at (231) 591-2030.

**\*The MAIN CONTACT from each group and all participants signing up as individuals MUST ATTEND ONE** of these **MANDATORY** informational meetings. If the main contact in unable to attend, please send a jobsite leader (one of the persons listed in the grey boxes). When you attend the organizational meeting you will be notified the number of jobsites your entire group will receive and which jobsite leaders have been assigned.

**Monday, March 24 at 5:00 PM in Business 111**

**Tuesday, March 25 at 11:00AM in IRC 120**

**Tuesday, March 25 at 8:00 PM in Business 111**

**Wednesday, March 26 at 6:00 PM in Business 111**

**Thursday, March 27 at 11:00 AM in IRC 120** (For individual participants **ONLY**)

**And Thursday, March 27 at 7:00 PM in Business 111**

*\*****Every participant must have their Ferris State issued ID on the day of The Big Event.***

**\*THE BIG EVENT KICKOFF will begin at 9:00am the morning of April 12th.** There will be mandatory sign-in tables where the jobsite contact(s) must check-in.

This participation form is due in the Student Government Office (Helen Ferris 24/26) by

**Friday, MARCH 7th BY 5:00 PM.**

**PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF YOUR APPLICATION BEFORE SUBMITTING**

**Assumption of Risk, Indemnification Agreement and Medical Release Form**

I understand and agree that The Big Event is a service project scheduled to take place on April 12, 2014 and that my participation in The Big Event involves certain risks and that regardless of the precautions taken by The Big Event some bodily injuries may occur.

Specific risks/hazards involved in The Big Event include, but are not limited to the following:

* Traveling to, from and performing service projects at various sites in and around the Big Rapids area.
* The use of small equipment, hand tools or basic chemicals (paint, cleaning supplies, etc.)
* Basic gardening tasks such as pulling weeds, trimming bushes, clearing debris, and tilling.
* Activities involving moderate physical exertion such as shoveling, sweeping, scrubbing, raking, etc.
* Use of ladders where needed to complete a project.
* Potential for bees, wasps, ants and allergies to be present at jobsite.

The likelihood of such injuries may be reduced by adhering to safety rules or procedures, which include but are not limited to the following:

* Stay with your group at all times.
* Refrain from the use of power tools or large equipment.
* Follow the instructions given by The BIG Event committee members and staff.
* Promptly notify The BIG Event Committee at headquarters of any dangerous or potentially dangerous conditions of which you come aware during the event, including tasks that you feel you are unable to perform safely for any reason.

Knowing this information and in consideration of my participation in The Big Event, I expressly and knowingly release The Big Event, its representatives, officers, advisors, and agents: Ferris State University, the State of Michigan, its officers and employees, from any and all claims and causes of action for property damage, personal injury of death sustained by me arising out of any travel or activity conducted by or under the auspices for The Big Event caused by risks associated with this activity and/or the negligence of any of the released person and/or entities. Participant acknowledges that The Big Event, Ferris State University and the State of Michigan are separate legal entities and should be treated as such.

I hereby grant permission to The Big Event to use my photograph on the Ferris State site or in other official Big Event printed publications without further consideration.

In addition, I understand and agree that The Big Event cannot be expected to control all the risks articulated in this form but may need to respond to accidents and potential emergency situations. Therefore, I hereby give my consent for any medical treatment that may be required during my participation with understanding that the cost of any such treatment will be my responsibly. Neither Ferris State University nor The Big Event carries medical or accident insurance for the activities mentioned.

Finally I voluntarily and knowingly agree to protect, hold harmless, and indemnify The Big Event, its representatives, officers, and advisors and agents; Ferris State University, the State of Michigan, its officers and employees, against all claims, demands or causes of action for property damage, personal injury, or death, including claims based in negligence and including defense costs and attorney’s fees arising out of my participation in The Big Event.

I have read the agreement and have willingly signed the attached signature form for the consideration expressed and with a full understanding of its purpose. Participant represents that he/she is a Ferris State University Student and is otherwise competent to execute this agreement.

By signing the Participation Form, you assume and agree to all of the terms as stated in the Assumption of Risk/ Indemnification Agreement/Medical Release Form and are expected to arrive by 9:00 a.m. on April 12, 2014 to participate in The Big Event.

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This form is also available online at bigevent.ferris.edu Thanks for helping out the community!

**KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR PERSONAL REFERENCE**



Name of Organization/Group/Individual Participant:

**Total Number of Volunteers in your group participating in The BIG Event:**

Jobs are assigned by the number of volunteers listed below. Please ensure that the volunteers that sign up below are committed to the day of the event in order for The BIG Event to staff each jobsite properly.

**Main Contact for**

**Organization/Group/Individual:** ­­

**Cell Phone Number: Email:**

**Will all group members have transportation: Yes  No  If yes, how far is your group(s) willing to travel? Up to miles**

**\*\*The Main Contact listed above is responsible for attending the organizational meetings. \*\***

The **grey boxes with the asterisk** below indicate the jobsite contact. Jobsite contacts are responsible for timely completion of their job and they will be required to have a cell phone at their jobsites, in case of emergency. All participants, including the main contact, **MUST SIGN BELOW.** By signing this participation form below, **you assume and agree to all the terms** as stated in the Assumption of Risk form **attached to this application.**

**\*\*PLEASE MAKE A COPY BEFORE TURNING IN. THE BIG EVENT WILL NOT MAKE COPIES OF YOUR PARTICIPATION LIST\*\***

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| **\*\*ADDITIONAL PAGES MAY BE ATTACHED IF NECESSARY\*\*****DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 7th by 5:00 PM in the Student Government Office (Helen Ferris 24/26) or Rankin Mailbox 053** |