

SOUTH CAROLINA REALTORS® LAUNCH NEW QUALITY OF LIFE PROJECT The South Carolina Good Life Initiative

COLUMBIA, South Carolina (January 12, 2021)– Today, the South Carolina Realtors® (SCR) launched a project called the South Carolina Good Life Initiative that will focus on promoting quality of life standards for all South Carolinians. The project is designed to ensure that South Carolina maintains responsible growth as well as a safe, clean state that residents can call home.

In Columbia, there is an estimated five families for every one affordable housing unit. South Carolina has one of the highest eviction rates in the United States, at 8.9%.

“Families have been displaced and lives are being interrupted by the cycle of financial hardship, in part due to COVID-19,” said SCR 2021 Region 5 Vice President Charles Caughman. “The lack of affordable and safe housing in our state is at the center of these issues.”

SCR recognizes the growing concerns across the state surrounding quality of life and feel compelled to advance resident’s interests in these areas.

“When I was named President in 2020, one of my main goals was to bring solutions to issues affecting quality of life for South Carolinians, and then COVID-19 happened, and the year didn’t go as planned,” said 2020 SCR President Owen Tyler. “While COVID-19 presented challenges and unexpected growth for the state, the quality of life issues did not go away. In fact, most of the issues only increased.”

The South Carolina Good Life Initiative’s efforts are based on SCR survey results from January 2020 and other known factors caused by COVID-19. The top three areas of concern from the survey responses included population growth, public safety and affordable housing.

SCR encourages community members to reach out to us with concerns and suggestions regarding their quality of life. For more information please visit goodlife.screaltors.org or email goodlife@screaltors.org.

ZVERSE DONATES FACE SHIELDS TO SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATORS 200 Boxes of Face Shields Delivered to State Capitol Building

COLUMBIA, S.C. (January 12, 2021) – To aid in reducing the spread of COVID-19, Columbia based digital manufacturer, ZVerse has donated 200 boxes of face shields to members and staff of the South Carolina House and Senate as lawmakers prepare for the start of the 2021 legislative session.

ZVerse is the creator of the nationally-recognized, American-made ZShield line of face shield products. The company donated two types of shields, the ZShield Wrap and ZShield Ultra models, which are designed for comfortable, all-day use. The ZShield Wrap uses an innovative, neck-mount design, while the ZShield Ultra offers a forehead-mount. Both are designed to be a comfortable, wearable barrier that helps shield your face, mouth, and eyes from the transfer of respiratory droplets.

“South Carolina, along with the rest of the country, is coping with the tragic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. It is vital for our legislators to continue to operate as normally as possible to lead us through this crucial time period in the pandemic response,” said ZVerse Founder and CEO John Carrington. “ZVerse saw the opportunity to further help the South Carolina House and Senate members and staff stay healthy by reducing the spread of COVID-19 through the use of our face shields. We were delighted to donate our face shields to assist in the effort to keep South Carolina moving forward.”

In March 2020, as the COVID-19 pandemic began to grip America, ZVerse saw

A partner with the SC Department of Employment & Workforce (Be Pro Be Proud) came to NCHS last week to promote and share technical occupation opportunities for our future Knights! The students were engaged in interactive, simulated occupations of welder, truck driver, fork lift operator and many more. A huge thank you to Amanda Oliver, NCHS’s Career Specialist, for organizing this invaluable career exploration opportunity! #SCCTE #FutureReadyCTE #SCDEW



the dire need to provide both frontline workers and citizens with safe and reliable personal protective equipment (PPE). Knowing that ZVerse had the processes, relationships and technology to accelerate mass production of PPE very quickly, ZVerse adapted their business model and within days began producing and distributing ZShields.

Since March, ZVerse has produced 4 million face shields, getting PPE products into the hands of the citizens who need them the most, quickly and efficiently.



UNITED WAY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR ANNUAL REVIEWS

The United Way of Lancaster County (UWLC) is seeking applicants to volunteer to serve on the Community Impact Panel. Panel members will meet and review United Way partner agency programs throughout the county. Panel members will work as a team to develop investment recommendations for 2021-2022. The total time commitment is approximately 10-15 hours from March through April. To receive a volunteer application, please call 283-8923, go to our website at www.uwaylsc.org, or email “mailto:admin@uwaylsc.org” admin@uwaylsc.org. Applications are due February 12, 2021.

Founded in 1957, the United Way of Lancaster County has been the leader in positively impacting the community for over 60 years. We are committed to improving lives by bringing citizens and resources together to identify and respond to human service needs in Lancaster County. Thus, the resources the United Way of Lancaster County allocates must be a reflection of the needs of the community in which we serve. We must be committed in all we do to fairness, honesty, consistency, respect, compassion, inclusion, quality, stewardship, open-mindedness, proactivity as well as strengthening established and building new relationships.

Member Service Representative II

RiverNet Connect, LREC’s fiber subsidiary, is seeking qualified candidates to fill the role of Member Service Representative II. This position provides excellent customer service to members concerning scheduling, billing questions, new member services, preparing and processing service order.

Candidates must have a high school diploma or equivalent, and three years customer service work experience. Basic knowledge of Microsoft Office, specifically Word & Excel is required. Applicants should have the ability to enter data into a computer efficiently and accurately, operate a radio, general office equipment, calculator and telephone system. Individuals must also be able to work in a team environment, handle money with little to no errors. Bi-lingual candidates are preferred.

BENEFITS: RiverNet Connect offers a competitive benefits package.

HOW TO APPLY: Candidates meeting the minimum qualifications must apply, on or before the position closing date of Thursday Jan. 28. For a complete listing of job requirements, please visit the “Employment Opportunities” section at lynchesriver.com. Applications may be obtained on this site. Completed applications may be submitted in the LREC office drive-thru at 707 S. Arant Street, Pageland, SC 29728, or by fax to 843-675-2927. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. No phone calls please.

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