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Henderson County Seeks Volunteers for Apple Festival Waste Reduction Efforts

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Henderson County Environmental Programs is seeking volunteers for the 2023 Apple Festival on Main Street in Downtown Hendersonville. Apple Festival is one of the largest events in Henderson County. Help us to reduce waste by volunteering a couple of hours of your time. Waste reduction volunteers will help to educate visitors and monitor trash, recycle, and compost receptacles. These waste reduction efforts are not possible without the help of dedicated volunteers.

Dates: Friday, September 1st to Monday, September 4th

Location: Main Street, Hendersonville

Shifts: 2-hour shifts or multiple back-to-back shifts

Supplies Needed: All volunteer supplies will be provided by Henderson County Environmental Programs

How do I sign up? <https://signup.com/go/OjFwwNg>

Shift Descriptions: The main volunteer goals are to monitor, manage, and educate visitors at the One-Stop Sorting Stations along Main Street near the food court to ensure festival-goers use the correct disposal bins for food, recycling, and trash. *The food court is located at the southern end of the festival on Main Street in front of Wells Fargo Bank between Barnwell and Caswell St.* Volunteers willing to sort through waste and reclaim food or recycling for proper bin disposal are greatly appreciated. Gloves and trash grabbers will be provided. Volunteers should monitor and remove vendor cardboard where necessary. Volunteers able to lift 20+ lbs. can remove full recycling and food bags to replace with clean bags in bins.

- **Dates and times available:**
 - **Friday from 3-7 pm**
 - **Saturday 10 am-8 pm**
 - **Sunday 10 am-8 pm**
 - **Monday 10 am-2 pm**

Contact Environmental Programs at 828-694-6524 with any questions about volunteering at Apple Festival. Visit hcrecycles.org for more information about recycling and waste reduction efforts in Henderson County.

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