



New Assets for the Upstate

Upstate House Emerging -- Upstate House* -- The exciting partnership among the City of Greenville, Home Builders Association of Greenville, Upstate Forever and more than two-dozen businesses will soon take shape “demonstrating environmentally sensitive living” in the Upstate. The house is the flagship project bringing the Earth Craft House voluntary green building standard to South Carolina.

Woodland Garden to Bloom - A feature unlike any other open space or garden feature in the area will bloom immediately adjacent to Upstate House, on the only never-developed property in the Pettigru District. The Woodland Garden will “rescue” an exotic plant wasteland and restore the site to its natural glory in trees, shrubs and woodland flowers native to the Upstate.

Why the Woodland Garden?

Re-linking Neighborhoods to the Reedy -- A formerly lost rock stairway and path entrance (historically significant in its own right having been built by the Civilian Conservation Corps) will connect Upstate House & the Woodland Garden to a finger of Cleveland Park that borders Richland Creek. Thus, it will re-link one of Greenville’s oldest neighborhoods with the Park and provide another jewel along the Reedy River corridor.

A Public Park and Conservation Laboratory -- A focal point for urban open space conservation and native plant restoration, the Woodland Garden will be a passive park and living laboratory for small site conservation. Upstate House & Woodland Garden are tangible examples of Upstate Forever’s mission, “promoting sensible growth and protection of special places.”

How You Can Help?

We Need Your Support to “Grow the Garden” -- Upstate Forever, Naturaland Trust, the City of Greenville and others are working on options to ensure long-term protection and public access to the Woodland Garden and Cleveland Park trail entrance. In addition, we are seeking financial support and business/citizen partners to implement Phase 1 of the restoration plan - removal of exotic vegetation, installation of trails and benches, and establishment of native plants. To keep costs to a minimum, we are soliciting volunteers to assist with the implementation of Phase I. Additionally, we must raise approximately \$20,000 in contributions for materials and services. Once it is established, the future owners of Upstate House and a team of volunteers will maintain the Garden for all to enjoy.

We urge your participation through:

- **Tax-deductible contributions** -- Every dollar will go to purchase plants and materials necessary to make the Woodland Garden a memorable and enjoyable public asset.
- **Donations of materials** -- Landscaping vendors or suppliers can help by donating plants and materials.
- **Sharing your time** -- Whether you have a “green thumb” or not, consider occasionally volunteering a few hours to help make the garden grow.

Detach and Mail this form to: Upstate Forever, PO Box 2308, Greenville, SC 29602
 Make checks payable to Upstate Forever - Woodland Garden

Contribution Level: \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other _____

All contributions of \$100 or more include a one-year membership in Upstate Forever

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Please Contact Me About: Donations of Materials or Services Opportunities to volunteer in the Woodland Garden

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