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SRS Celebrates another successful American Heart Association Heart Walk Campaign



Despite rainy conditions, community members attended the annual CSRA Heart Walk in March to show their support for a critical cause.

AIKEN, S.C. (May 30, 2024) - On May 16, participants from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS), Battelle Savannah River Alliance (BSRA) and Savannah River Mission Completion (SRMC) gathered for the Savannah River Site (SRS) American Heart Association Heart Walk Campaign awards ceremony to celebrate individuals and their companies for their generous contributions to this year's Heart Walk campaign.

SRNS, BSRA and SRMC raised a total of \$196,275 during this year's campaign.

SRNS American Heart Walk Campaign Chair Shannon Powers was blown away by the volunteer efforts and generous donations from employees across the Site. “The Heart Walk is about promoting the health and well-being of our community and supporting a lifesaving mission,” said Powers. “Thank you to our incredible volunteers and walkers who helped make this year’s Heart Walk so successful.”

During the ceremony, SRNS was recognized for raising \$136,986 for this year’s campaign. The SRNS top organization went to Environmental Management for raising over \$33,000, and the top team went to Environmental Management Operation’s ‘Heart & Sole’ for raising over \$26,000.

SRNL was recognized for their significant contribution of \$24,636, surpassing their company goal of \$20,000. SRMC finished out the campaign with over \$34,000 raised.

The SRS Top Walker was presented to SRNS Senior Vice President of Environmental Management Operations and American Heart Walk Executive Management Sponsor Janice Lawson, for raising over \$8,000. SRNS Senior Vice President of NNSA Operations and Programs J.C. Epting was also given an award for being the campaign’s MVP — helping to raise over \$8,000.

American Heart Association of the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) Development Director Marah Curry spoke during the awards ceremony, expressing her appreciation for the hard work and dedication put in by SRS employees.

"Since its inception in 1924, the American Heart Association has evolved from a small group of physicians focused on combating heart disease into a leading public health organization driving groundbreaking research and advocacy," said Curry. "Over the past century, the Association, alongside our dedicated volunteers, supporters and collaborating organizations, has strived to foster longer, healthier lives. As we celebrate this milestone year, we take immense pride in the success and impact of the 2024 CSRA Heart Walk, made possible by the unwavering commitment of our volunteers and supporters, such as SRS, who have contributed to this year's achievements."



SRNL demonstrated its continued community support for the American Heart Association through the 2024 CSRA Heart Walk

On March 22, SRS volunteers joined other participants from across the CSRA for the annual CSRA Heart Walk held at the SRP Park in North Augusta, South Carolina. Despite the rainy weather, participants were determined to show support for this year’s Heart Walk.



Members of the SRS Fire Department joined SRNS and SRMC employees for a photo during the annual event held in March. Pictured, SRS Fire Department Rudy Dinkins; SRS Fire Department Tony Smiley; SRMC employee James Thacker; SRMC Employee Courtney Rudder; SRNS Employee and American Heart Walk Campaign Chair Shannon Powers; SRMC employee TeShania Bey; SRS Fire Department Phillips Weathers and SRMC Employee Jamil Bey

“I was truly amazed by the overwhelming support and turnout we witnessed at this year’s Heart Walk despite the rain. It was heartwarming to see so many people come together to raise awareness for such an important cause,” said Powers.

SRS continues to be a leading contributor to the CSRA Heart Walk benefitting the local community by helping bring awareness to cardiovascular health.



SRNS employees gathered at the SRP Park in North Augusta, South Carolina, for the 2024 CSRA Heart Walk to walk in honor of survivors of heart disease and stroke.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, a Fluor and HII partnership company, is responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy’s Savannah River Site, located near Aiken, South Carolina.

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