

2016 ACHIEVEMENTS

- ∞ **Creation** of a new Strategic Plan to guide us for the next 5 years.
- ∞ **Revision** of FoRR By-laws
- ∞ **Completed** the transfer of two county easements held by FoRR to Upstate Forever.
- ∞ **Grant** from Greenville Women Giving
 - Hired of A-Line Interactive to develop website.
 - Hired a part-time Executive Director
- ∞ **Establishment** of two Adopt-a-Stream monitoring sites on the Reedy River
- ∞ **Two FoRR-sponsored** river clean-ups plus one HOG Day clean up
 - 75-100 volunteers at each river clean-up
 - Invasive plant removal at the YMCA Spirit Center on HOG Day (pictures)
- ∞ **Woodland Way** Corridor Progress
 - YMCA Amphitheater (“Spirit Center)
 - YMCA Children’s playground and Rain Garden
 - RR Riparian Restoration Project at FBC
 - Funded by Michelin Grant
 - Other partners include TreesGreenville, NAI Furman, the City of Greenville P&R, GCSWCD. Earth Design Landscaping (insert pictures)
- ∞ **Funding** of a Council Ring at the YMCA adjacent to the Spirit Center
- ∞ **Education:**
 - “Booth with A Cause” at downtown Farmers Market
 - Earth Day events at BMW and Michelin
 - Visit to Carolina High School
 - Sponsored and participated in the Storm Water Forum hosted by the Green Building Council.
- ∞ **Advocacy**
 - Representation of the FoRR Board on the Citizens Advisory Committee for the new west side park along the river.
 - Report to City Council opposing the use of Stormwater Fees to fund the removal and rebuilding of the Public Works facility to Fairforest Way.
 - Public Comments to the Design and Review Board to oppose the development of a sliver of property adjacent to the river at 55 Camperdown Way in Falls Park
 - Petition to Mayor, City Manager, and City Council
 - Participation at a DHEC’s public meeting on the voluntary clean-up of CSXT Bramlette Road MGP Site in Southernside
 - Representation of FoRR on the Natural Systems Ad-hoc Committee, Green Ribbon Advisory Committee