



Ready, Set, Volunteer

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In 2010, the Corporation for National and Community Services in the United States reported that 62.8 million adults volunteered almost 8.1 billion hours to local and national organizations, which has a service value of nearly 173 billion dollars. We can do our part to help increase those numbers even further in 2012 by participating in a company sponsored event or effort for an entire day or even just an hour or two.

New Year, New Opportunities

Beckman Coulter associates have always demonstrated an endless ability to give of themselves to help support others in our local communities. With nearly 35 different volunteer opportunities for U.S. associates to participate in this year, 2012 promises to be no exception.

This year's calendar of company sponsored events is full of diverse opportunities, where associates will find a wide range of opportunities that are sure to appeal to varied personal interests and commitment levels. For a complete calendar of Beckman Coulter's 2012 company sponsored events, please visit the [Community Relations Calendar](#) page on Odyssey.



Whether you're interested in joining a walk, run or bike ride team, or making a donation toward a blood drive, your participation can help make a difference in more ways than you might think. By becoming involved, you will not only help to support the communities in which we work and live, but you will help to bring about lasting change that positively impacts our fellow associates, customers and patients alike.

In addition to continued partnerships with organizations like the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association, 2012 will feature some new and exciting partnerships with organizations like Ronald McDonald Houses and Rady Children's Hospital. Such partnerships are based on the new streamlined guidelines for company sponsored events that took effect earlier this year, which can be found on the [Community Relations Event Sponsorship](#) page.

Making a Difference

Each year, associates dedicate thousands of hours of their personal time leading and participating in volunteer events and community efforts. In 2011 alone, U.S. associates helped to raise more than \$58,000 for non-profit organizations in the healthcare or health-related research fields. In addition to those fundraising efforts, the Beckman Coulter Foundation provided close to \$47,000 in matching gift contributions, which increased the total amount donated to non-profits to roughly \$105,000. These donations serve as greatly needed resources used to conduct groundbreaking research and to provide the public with vital programs and services.

For more information on how you can get involved in any of the 2012 scheduled events and efforts, please email Marci Raudez at mfraudez@beckman.com, or any of your local contacts included on the 2012 calendar of events.

Global Activities

For our international sites outside the U.S., we would enjoy hearing from you about the 2012 volunteer activities you have planned for your local communities. Please share your information and stories with us via email to mfraudez@beckman.com.

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