



Youth Initiative and Participation Incentive (YIPI) - Award Application 2024 Due December 1, 2024

Keep Berkeley Beautiful is proud to announce that two awards are available for 2024, including \$500 First Place and \$200 for the runner-up!

Keep Berkeley Beautiful recognizes the potential of our county's young people and believes in their power to create positive change. The Youth Initiative and Participation Incentive Award (YIPI) is bestowed on a young person who has shown exemplary performance in the three focus areas of KBB: litter control, community beautification, and recycling. To qualify for the award, a young person must accumulate a minimum of 20 hours of verified volunteer service and complete the required application. At least 8 of those hours must be focused on litter control. Service counted toward the award must meet these criteria:

- Performed voluntarily without compensation of any kind.
- Performed in Berkeley County, South Carolina.
- Performed during the 12-month period prior to the due date of the application.
- Performed for the benefit or use of the public. Work for individuals or private entities may not be counted.
- Service must be related to one or more of the Keep Berkeley Beautiful focus areas: litter control, recycling, and beautification of public spaces.

The following rules will apply:

- Youth aged 12 to 17 are eligible for the award. Only volunteer work performed after the 12th and before the 18th birthday may be counted toward the award. The award may be presented after the 18th birthday.
- Work performed with a volunteer group may count, but only the hours the applicant worked personally.
- Youth are encouraged to organize projects of their own such as community litter drives, creation and maintenance of community gardens, or community recycling drives. These must be supervised by a parent or a parent's designee. You may contact KBB for additional ideas.
- All service must be logged on the application forms. Incomplete log entries may be disqualified.
- The applicant should include a written summary of no more than 200 words explaining why he/she believes volunteer service is important. Explain the impact of the service and details about how the experience was meaningful to the applicant or others. Attach this as a separate document.
- Applicants are encouraged to submit photos of their projects during the year. Photos may be emailed to friendsofkbb@gmail.com. Submission constitutes permission for KBB use in promotional media.
- KBB reserves the right to withhold the award if no applicant meets the minimum requirements. If rules clarification is required, contact friendsofkbb@gmail.com.
- KBB and its affiliates are not responsible for damage or injury resulting from participation in this program.

While the total number of service hours will qualify an applicant, consideration will also be given to other aspects of the work such as initiative of the applicant, number of people impacted, and the value of that work to the public.

All applications and photos are due no later than December 1, 2024. A complete application includes log sheet(s) and written summary. Awards will be presented at the KBB holiday gathering later in December, date to be announced. Award recipients grant KBB permission to use their images in promotional materials. Completed applications may be turned in at any KBB event or mailed to Sarah Smith, 212 Oakley Plantation Drive, Moncks Corner, SC 29461.



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Applicant Name _____ Date _____ Birthdate _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

Please complete this log to tell us about your service work other than litter control. Use next page to log litter control. These pages may be reproduced for additional writing space.

Date of Service	Number of Hours	Brief description of Service	Name of Benefitting Agency	Name of Supervising Adult	Supervisor's Phone or Email