Service Activity

Overview
Civil engineers have an ethical responsibility to promote the good of the public in their professional lives. Reflecting the spirit of our profession, the 2016 ASCE Southeast Student Conference will feature an optional community service activity with components to take place before and during the conference.

Eligibility
Teams must consist of five (5) or more undergraduate or graduate student chapter members. Teams may include one (1) faculty advisor.

General Rules
• Chapters who wish to take part in the Service Activity will plan, fund, and execute a community service project in their local community prior to the conference.
• The project must benefit a non-profit entity, including but not limited to, a school, a homeless shelter, an orphanage, etc. The project may also benefit a deserving individual or family.
• Evidence that at least five (5) team members participated is required in the form of a photograph and hours log, to be submitted with other materials at the start of the conference.
• Each team will submit a paper (between 500 and 750 words) at conference registration that describes the need of the individuals or organization served, the planning and execution of the project, and the impact of the project on the community.
• Each team will prepare a tri-fold or poster presenting their project to be displayed during the conference. This display will include photos of the work and finished product, as well as bulleted information similar to that included in the paper.

Judging
The project, paper, and display will be judged by a third party sponsor organization during the conference. Judges will be asked to select the most impressive project based on project size, difficulty, and impact, as well as the quality of the paper and display.
The most notable project will receive special recognition during the awards banquet and that student chapter will receive a check (amount to be decided) made out to the charity of the chapter’s choice. *The name of the charity of choice for each chapter must be submitted with the paper and display at the time of registration.*

Each chapter team satisfying all the above requirements will receive six (6) team points that will count toward the overall conference score. The specially recognized project and chapter will not receive additional team points.