

# **Geaux BIG Baton Rouge 2012 - 2013**

## **Committee Application**

### **Information about Geaux BIG Baton Rouge:**

#### **What is Geaux BIG Baton Rouge?**

Inspired by Texas A&M's community outreach program "The Big Event", Geaux BIG Baton Rouge is a student organization that will join together members of the LSU and Baton Rouge communities through a large service project. The first Geaux BIG Baton Rouge is set to happen on April 20, 2013.

#### **What kind of community service projects will volunteers be doing?**

Volunteers will be doing community service projects requested by Baton Rouge community members. That could be anything from painting houses, doing yard work, cleaning, etc.

#### **Who can be involved?**

Geaux BIG Baton Rouge is looking for students to serve on one of six sub-committees: volunteer recruitment, community outreach, programs, logistics, operations, and marketing. On the day of the project, volunteers who are students, faculty, staff, or alumni of LSU are welcome to serve.

#### **Why be involved with Geaux BIG Baton Rouge?**

Founded in the statements of LSU's Commitment to Community, Geaux BIG Baton Rouge strives to connect LSU members to the Baton Rouge community through service. By contributing positively to the life of the surrounding community, LSU members can utilize their experience to become an active and engaged citizen and better promote and enhance the quality of life on and off campus.

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**Targeted first Geaux BIG Baton Rouge: Saturday, April 20, 2013**

Turn in all applications to the Campus Life Office (350 LSU Student Union) by 4:30 PM on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ LSU Student ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

### Outline of Application Process

1. Applicants will attend a mandatory informational meeting on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> either at 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Castilian Room (304 LSU Student Union) or from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Tchoupitoulas Room (452 LSU Student Union).
2. Applicants will submit an application to the Campus Life Office (350 LSU Student Union) by 4:30 p.m. on February 14, 2012.
3. Applicants selected for a committee will attend a required leadership training retreat on Sunday, February 26, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Vieux Carre Room (325 LSU Student Union).

*\*If interested candidates have a conflict with either the informational meeting times or the required leadership training retreat, please contact Elaine Giles at [egiles1@tigers.lsu.edu](mailto:egiles1@tigers.lsu.edu) prior to submitting an application.*

### Duties of Committee Members

- Attend committee meetings (weekly or every two weeks)
- Attend any required events that Geaux BIG Baton Rouge specifies.
- Help market Geaux BIG Baton Rouge to students and the Baton Rouge community
- Help establish Geaux BIG Baton Rouge in its infancy
- Help with logistics for the day of Geaux BIG Baton Rouge

### Individual Committee Distinctions

(Rank your top 3 committee choices below. See the attached pages for full committee descriptions.)

Marketing \_\_\_\_\_ Programs \_\_\_\_\_ Operations \_\_\_\_\_ Logistics \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Recruitment \_\_\_\_\_ Community Outreach \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*We are looking for motivated and dedicated individuals to serve as committee members. Please review all of your prior commitments before continuing and filling out the application\*\*\***

If you have any questions please email [campuslife@lsu.edu](mailto:campuslife@lsu.edu) or [egiles1@tigers.lsu.edu](mailto:egiles1@tigers.lsu.edu).

**Please answer the following questions on this page or on a separate sheet of paper. (Please limit each answer to 300 words).**

1. What organizations are you currently involved in? Please include your level of involvement.
2. Please describe why you believe service to be important to our society as a whole and include an instance where you experienced this to be true.
3. Geaux BIG Baton Rouge is a brand new organization that aims to create a large community service project. What ideas do you have to recruit students to participate?
4. What skills do you possess that will make you an outstanding committee member?
5. Would you be willing to serve in a leadership position for one of the committees that you selected?

All students participating in any committee or holds a leadership position within Geaux BIG Baton Rouge must maintain a minimum of a 2.0 GPA, be in good standing with the University, and be considered a full-time student. Students who do not maintain the above requirements are subject to removal from the organization.

**I understand that as an applicant for a committee member or leadership position in Geaux BIG Baton Rouge my grades will be checked prior to selection.**

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Signed

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Printed Name

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Date

## **Geaux BIG Baton Rouge 2012 - 2013 Committee Descriptions**

### **Marketing**

The Marketing Committee is responsible for all advertising and public relations surrounding Geaux BIG Baton Rouge. This includes everything from on campus advertising for volunteer signups to dealing with the media. Marketing will create means to assist in recruiting volunteers, recruiting job requests from community members, recruiting student leadership, and creating general awareness about the project. This committee is important as without volunteers and job requests from community members there is no project.

### **Programs**

Programs Committee is mainly responsible for creating programs for the students involved in the committees to increase organizational community. Programs include but are not limited to cohesion activities, service projects, and leadership retreats. The committee will also act as the voice of the student membership for the organization. This committee is important as it acts as to help create and maintain organizational community among the members.

### **Operations**

The Operations Committee is responsible for the execution of the project through seeking donations and other fundraising opportunities to finance the project. The committee is also responsible for keeping inventory of the tools and supplies and distributing them on the day of the project. This committee is important as it seeks to find ways to grow the project and to make sure that it is a success.

### **Logistics**

The Logistics Committee is responsible for coordinating the logistics of the project. The committee's activities include, but are not limited to: creating and coordinating a check-in process for volunteers, reserving sites on campus to host volunteers and volunteer parking, create a Welcome Ceremony prior to the project, coordinate transportation of volunteers to and from project sites, and work with the Operations Committee in coordinating tool inventory and distribution. This is committee is important as it creates and plans all the elements that will go into project.

### **Volunteer Recruitment**

The Volunteer Recruitment Committee is responsible for recruiting LSU students, faculty, staff, and alumni to volunteer for Geaux BIG Baton Rouge. The committee will work closely with the Marketing Committee in creating means to recruit volunteers for Geaux BIG Baton Rouge and working campus events to help recruit volunteers. The committee will be the direct contact for volunteers. This committee is important as it recruits half of the individuals involved with project. Without volunteers, job requests cannot be completed.

### **Community Outreach**

The Community Outreach Committee is responsible for recruiting job requests or projects from community members and coordinates and conduct job request site visits. The committee will work closely with the Marketing Committee to create advertisement and awareness about job request forms to community members. In addition, the committee will be responsible for coordinating a site visit prior to the project for prospective job sites and serving as the main point of contact for individuals who submit job requests. This committee is important as it recruits half of the individuals involved with the project. Without job requests, volunteers will not have work to do.