Name of Project: West End Clean Up

YMCA: Eastside Family YMCA, Taylors, SC

Partner: United Way Hands On Greenville

Date: Saturday, April 30 2016

We had 17 volunteers join together to help clean up an elderly families backyard. Husbands, wife’s, brothers and sisters joined together in downtown Greenville, SC to help clean up the West End as part of Hands on Greenville Day. We worked for 3 hours raking, cutting hedges, pulling up weeds, and cleaning out this elderly families back yard. This family uses their back yard as an oasis for neighborhood friends and families to come gather to pray, meditate, and rejoice. Cleaning up their back yard allowed for the family to continue to offer this place for others.

“As a person it is important to find ways to add some value to someone else’s life or situation. I enjoyed knowing that what we were doing brought some joy to the family we helped. Also it was great to work with friends from the YMCA and my kids. I find enjoyment in helping others and getting to know people and the needs of the community.” – David Kilgore, Togetherhood service committee member