

EdVenture's Community Partners Program

EdVenture is committed to providing an outstanding interactive educational experience for all children in South Carolina. The Community Partners Program begins to meet that goal by offering a special membership program to non-profit organizations serving youth in Richland and/or Lexington counties.

Purpose:

- 1) Build partnerships with youth-serving non-profits in the area
- 2) Serve a population that might not otherwise experience EdVenture

Criteria: Youth-serving non-profit agencies - 501(c) 3 - in Richland and/or Lexington counties may apply to participate in the Community Partners Program. The organization must have a social service mission and provide direct services to children 0 – 12 and the adults who care about them. Schools, churches, school-based organizations and organizations that charge a participatory fee are not eligible for consideration. Applications will be reviewed by the staff of EdVenture to ensure that the applicant meets all criteria.

Organizations will be grouped according to their annual operating budgets and will be able to purchase their memberships at the corresponding levels (see below). Corporate entities and service organizations may choose to sponsor a specific agency's membership. Organizations do not have to have identified their funding source at the time of application.

Benefits: Community Partners memberships will afford organizations unlimited EdVenture visits by their clients for 12 months. The Community Partners pass allows a family/group of 6 or less to enter the Museum free of charge at any one time. Participating agencies will be able to lend a Community Partners pass to their clients or use it with staff bringing clients. The responsibility for maintaining the circulation of the card rests with the participating agency. Each organization is limited to one card. Organizations with more than one site may be eligible to enroll each site. There will be a small charge to replace lost cards. Any misuse of the Community Partners card may result in the loss of privileges and eligibility for participation in the future.

Promotion: The announcement of the Community Partners program and the application process will be publicized through the local news media. Memberships will be renewable annually.

Tiered Price Structure

Operating Budgets < 1 million	\$100
Operating Budgets of 1 – 2 million	\$200
Operating Budgets > 2 million	\$400

Please contact Holly Powers, Membership and Special Events Manager at EdVenture with any questions or concerns: mwren@edventure.org or 400-1162.