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**JOYCE HOBSON, OF TALLAHASSEE, APPOINTED TO GOVERNOR'S  
COMMISSION ON VOLUNTEERISM AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

*Governor Charlie Crist appoints Joyce Hobson, from the Florida  
Department of Education, to Volunteer Florida.*

**TALLAHASSEE** — Governor Charlie Crist recently appointed Joyce Hobson, of Tallahassee, to the Governor's Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service (Volunteer Florida).

Hobson is the Director of Faith, Community and Family Initiatives for the Bureau of Family and Community Outreach at the Florida Department of Education. Hobson works with local communities, school districts, schools, and faith-based organizations within the state to foster partnerships and to provide these organizations with tools that will enable them to promote parent involvement in their schools and communities. She has been with the Department of Education since 1995 and has worked tirelessly to promote and support academic achievement for all of Florida's children.

Hobson, a former member of the Martin County School Board, graduated from Florida Atlantic University with Bachelor in Business Administration in December, 1975. She opened her own accounting and tax practice in 1978. In 1995, she moved to Tallahassee to dedicate her energies to education.

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“I am very happy to welcome Joyce to Volunteer Florida,” said Volunteer Florida Chief Executive Officer Wendy Spencer. “Her deep knowledge of faith and community-based organizations, and her expertise in education, make her an asset to the Commission.”

Commissioners drive Volunteer Florida’s mission, and are actively involved in volunteer and service activities. They are a diverse, bipartisan group of citizens appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Florida Senate.

The Governor’s Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service was established in 1994 by the Florida Legislature to administer grants under the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993. The Commission grants funds to Florida AmeriCorps and National Service programs; encourages volunteerism for everyone from youths to seniors to people with disabilities; promotes volunteerism in emergency management and preparedness; supports the Governor’s priorities through the creation of innovative volunteer programs, and helps to strengthen and expand Volunteer Centers in Florida.

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