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## Local Watershed Organizations Host 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine for Water Event

*Columbia, SC, February 12, 2018*

Join us Wednesday, April 18 from 6pm to 8:30pm at The Hall at Senate's End, 320 Senate Street, to celebrate Earth Day, and enjoy great wine and food, and a silent auction. Join the Gills Creek Watershed Association, and the Rocky Branch and Smith Branch Watershed Alliances at Columbia's Senate's End to support our vision for the streams and rivers that we have pledged to preserve! Enjoy food from local restaurants, wines from around the world, and great deals at the silent auction from local donors. Make a toast to Earth Day from the deck along the Congaree River, and support healthy waterways! Wine for Water will benefit the watershed organizations which are environmental non-profits dedicated to restoring the Midlands' watersheds through education, grassroots action, and public and private partnerships. Details and ticket information will be coming soon. Visit [gillscreekwatershed.org](http://gillscreekwatershed.org) for more information.

**About Gills Creek Watershed Association:** A partnership of citizens, government, organizations, and business dedicated to restoring and protecting the Gills Creek Watershed. The watershed is included in the cities of Columbia, Cayce, Forest Acres, and Arcadia Lakes; Richland County, and the US Army's Fort Jackson. The goal is to return the Gills Creek Watershed to a living resource providing recreational opportunities, habitat for native wildlife and plants, and a national model for watershed planning and management.

For more information on Gills Creek Watershed Association, contact Madilyn Fletcher, President, at 803-727-8326 or visit [gillscreekwatershed.org](http://gillscreekwatershed.org).

**The Rocky Branch and Smith Branch Watershed Alliances** are grassroots movements that unite concerned residents, businesses, governments and organizations to restore water quality, properly manage flooding, care for related natural resources within the watersheds, while encouraging complimentary and environmentally responsible development of adjacent land. The watershed alliances are part of the Sustainable Midlands organization.

For more information on the Rocky Branch and Smith Branch Watershed Alliances, contact Sustainable Midlands at 803-470-4302 or visit [sustainablemidlands.org](http://sustainablemidlands.org).

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