



Become a Friend of Creek Fest in 2019!!

The Women Making a Difference (a public health advisory board for the Mobile County Health Department) invite you to support the 5th Annual Creek Fest scheduled for Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 10:00AM until 2:00PM at Tricentennial Park in Mobile, AL. Five years ago, the WMD created Creek Fest to bring attention to the historic significance of Three Mile Creek and the long-held dream of having a linear park along the waterway for biking, walking, jogging as well as access points to the waterway for canoeing/kayaking and fishing.

This dream is becoming a reality! In 2018 The Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council voted to award \$9.7 million to the Mobile Greenway Trail initiative and \$11.8 million to Three Mile Creek watershed restoration. Work is already underway throughout the watershed, and the City of Mobile should have shovels in the ground again later in 2019 on the Greenway Trail.

Three Mile Creek is an historic waterway in Mobile that provided the city's drinking water supply until World War II. Three Mile Creek begins near the University of South Alabama, and makes its way through the city before emptying in the Mobile River and then Mobile Bay. The creek passes through West Mobile, Springhill, Toulminville, Midtown and Downtown Mobile.

Creek Fest is a free family-friendly celebration of Three Mile Creek and the recreational trail. For the first time, we will host a kids fun run for all ages. As in years past, we also will host a cane pole fishing tournament for children; canoe and kayak rides in the creek; music; food; and education about our natural resources and what we can do to protect them. Last year, we estimated over 500 people in attendance at the event. To see pictures from past events, please visit our website at www.creekfest.org.

While we work diligently to keep costs to a minimum, there are expenses that are incurred. We would appreciate your support of your time, your resources or your talent to help make this the best Creek Fest yet! Funds are needed to cover the cost of event t-shirts, canoe/kayak rentals, cane pole rigging supplies, fishing tournament prizes, food. If supporting this event interests you, please feel free to contact me at (251)690-8863 or kwarren@mchd.org. We hope you will partner with us for this family fun day.

Sincerely,