



PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

2006 State Report

Virginia

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The Honorable Tim Kaine
Governor
Office of the Governor
1111 East Broad Street, Patrick Henry Building, 3rd Floor
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Governor Kaine:

We are pleased to provide you with this first Annual State Report presented by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

The State Report provides a summary of your state's commitment to the President's Volunteer Service Award Program since its inception in 2004. The Council works in partnership with businesses, nonprofit groups, schools, and other organizations across the country to honor local volunteers with the Award. More than 16,000 organizations across the nation have recognized over 400,000 Americans with this honor.

Citizens of all ages and backgrounds are giving of their time and talents to improve lives and strengthen communities. In 2005, more than 65 million Americans volunteered to help their neighbors and communities through service. The President's Volunteer Service Award is one way we pay tribute to these volunteers.

The Award is issued by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation on behalf of the President of the United States to recognize the best in American spirit, and to encourage all Americans to improve their communities through volunteer service. The Award is given to individuals, families, and groups that have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service and civic participation over the course of a 12-month period.

Today, we challenge you to help advance this national volunteer recognition movement and celebrate the volunteer contributions of your residents especially during National Volunteer Week. I hope your office will join us in honoring your state's most valuable assets – volunteers.

Sincerely,

Kari Dunn
Executive Director

PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD STATISTICS
October 1, 2004 – April 14, 2006

National Statistics

Number of Certifying Organizations		Number of Awards Presented					
2006	1,510		Bronze	Silver	Gold	Lifetime	Total
2005	7,682	2006	36,163	18,554	28,093	11,090	93,900
2004	6,418	2005	73,851	37,847	55,972	32,197	199,867
2003	1,385	2004	38,686	26,436	34,040	11,538	110,700
Total	16,995	Total	148,700	82,837	118,105	54,825	404,467

Hours Served by Awardees (By Age)					
	Ages 5-14	Ages 15-25	Ages 26-64	Ages 65+	Total
2006	859,503	3,852,879	72,125,017	70,247,750	147,662,149
2005	2,074,400	6,990,129	31,029,401	79,432,771	119,526,701
2004	290,654	747,079	8,451,545	56,811,121	66,300,399
Total	3,224,557	11,590,087	111,605,963	207,068,642	333,489,249

Number of Awards in Presidential Priority Service Area				
	2006	2005	2004	Total
Youth Achievement	20,493	46,725	9,924	77,142
Parks and Open Space	4,033	4,175	515	8,723
Healthy Communities	70,115	88,442	32,186	190,743
Public Safety and Emergency Response	12,013	8,113	1,198	21,324

Virginia's Statistics

Since 2004, 6,610 citizens of Virginia have received the PVSA recognizing 4,887,303 hours of service.

Number of Certifying Organizations		Number of Awards Presented					
2006	68		Bronze	Silver	Gold	Lifetime	Total
2005	307	2006	978	611	1,045	224	2,858
2004	197	2005	1,756	497	672	156	3,081
2003	56	2004	148	163	323	37	671
Total	628	Total	2,882	1,271	2,040	417	6,610

Hours Served by Awardees (By Age)					
	Ages 5-14	Ages 15-25	Ages 26-64	Ages 65+	Total
2006	40,100	86,626	754,208	1,523,219	2,418,657
2005	67,587	138,622	1,018,064	363,647	1,587,920
2004	3,547	10,279	396,189	451,677	880,726
Total	111,234	235,527	2,168,461	2,338,543	4,887,303

Award recipients in your state:



Corporal Jonathan C. Hall (Arlington, VA)

Certified by: Marine and Family Services

Corporal Jonathan C. Hall is a regular and dynamic participant in the Headquarters Battalion Volunteer Program, "Beyond the Gates." He truly has demonstrated dedication to the Marine Corps' core values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment, by actively pursuing ways to personally extend himself and to encourage his fellow Marines to contribute to the well being of our community. Using his own inventiveness, Corporal Hall organized and participated in numerous

Toys for Tots toy collection efforts throughout the D.C metropolitan area. He organized the first Toys for Tots fundraiser at a Naval Academy football game, a highly successful effort that resulted in the collection of over 200 toys and \$3,000 in donated funds. He created and supervised the first Installations & Logistics Video/DVD collection drive for distribution to wounded troops at the Bethesda Naval Medical Center and at the Walter Reed Medical Center, receiving more than 100 titles in donations during the campaign. Not one to rest on any laurels, he is currently organizing a 10K charity run for the Marine Corps Law Enforcement Foundation.



Captain Jennifer Khovananth (Arlington, VA)

Certified by: Marine and Family Services

Captain Khovananth and her co-leader, Kari Fugitt, are successful young professionals and Girl Scout troop leaders who volunteer their time to train girls to be leaders, understand their full potential in the world, to build strong relationships and values, and to contribute to their community. She has found that her commitment and enthusiasm for Girl Scouting is contagious, and the girls in her troop have gained much in the past year. The members of Troop 5842 have learned to work together as a team to plan a high adventure weekend of whitewater rafting, horseback riding, camping, and pure fun; they also have learned many crafts and trades including knitting and crocheting. Also, the troop's community service has had a positive impact on the injured Marines at Naval Medical Center Bethesda. Captain Khovananth is proud to watch these girls mature and to encourage more young adults to become involved in their community.

How you can use the President's Volunteer Service Award in your state:

- On your state's website, promote your state's President's Volunteer Service Award winners, and include a link and banner for the President's Volunteer Service Award.
- Issue a press release highlighting outstanding volunteers and encouraging others to volunteer and aspire to receive the President's Volunteer Service Award. For a sample press release, please visit www.pointsoflight.org/programs/seasons/nw/tools.cfm
- Challenge local and state governmental offices to register as Certifying Organizations for the President's Volunteer Service Award and issue 25 Awards by 2007 National Volunteer Week
- Encourage organizations (e.g., nonprofits and businesses) to sign up as Award partner organizations by distributing a special invitation during National Volunteer Week
- Whether or not you have a governor's volunteer awards program, consider partnering with us to deliver a statewide volunteer recognition program modeled after the President's Volunteer Service Award. For an example of a state's volunteer award program, please visit <http://www.PresidentialServiceAwards.gov/S/California/>
- Register your state as a Certifying Organization and start recognizing your volunteers with this Presidential recognition. For more details, please contact Tomme Beevas at 202-729-8018 or TBeevas@PointsofLight.org.

About the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation:

President George W. Bush established USA Freedom Corps in January of 2002, and he called on all Americans to serve a cause greater than themselves. One year later, he created the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation to help recognize the contributions of America's volunteers. The Council strives to promote and recognize outstanding volunteer service and raise awareness of the many ways in which Americans can help meet the needs of individuals within their communities and around the world. The Council brings together leaders from business, entertainment, sports, education, government, nonprofits, and the media, each of whom has demonstrated a commitment to service and volunteering in his or her own life. For more information about the President's Council and its members, please visit www.volunteer.gov.