



# Giving Hearts – Giving Hope

Greater Los Angeles Combined Federal Campaign

Donor Guide 2009

## L.A. Federal Employees Among The Most Generous Nationwide!

**What is the CFC?** The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is the only authorized solicitation of employees in the Federal workplace on behalf of charitable organizations. Established in the 1960's, it continues to be the largest and most successful workplace fundraising model in the world! In the last 18 years, the generous Federal employees of the Los Angeles CFC have donated over \$58 million for their selected charities through employee contributions. With over 2000 charities to select from, choosing your favorite charity has never been easier! So, mark your calendar for September 1, 2009 when the campaign officially begins. It's so simple to do and will make you feel great knowing that you have made a positive impact on the issues you care about.

### For Just \$5 A Week You could pay for...

- Vaccinations for 800 children
- A wheelchair for someone in need
- The means to outfit a dog that assist blind individuals
- Youth club membership for 60 kids for a year
- 57 well-balanced meals for veterans in need
- For the removal of 30 pounds of trash
- 100 emergency survival kits
- Meals for 500 disaster victims
- Resources to raise 2 falcons to maturity

## The Benefits Of Giving Through The CFC

You may ask *“Why should I donate through the CFC when I can give directly to my charity of choice?”* Good question! Charities incur costs related to processing individual contributions, whereas with the CFC, they receive one check each month that represents the combined gift of many donors. This process frees much-needed resources for better community service and reduces an organizations fundraising costs to a minimum. Also, payroll deductions free up

time for you as well. No checks to write or reminders to set up. Additionally, you are able to donate anonymously if you prefer. The only way that the charity is aware of your personal contribution is if you authorize the release of your information.

The CFC keeps it simple for you. Avoiding the repeated expenses of multiple receipts, you may keep a copy of your pledge card as a receipt of

the pledge. For more information, please visit [www.opm.gov/cfc](http://www.opm.gov/cfc).

Because of the collective power of the CFC nationwide, administration costs remain very, very low. Therefore, you can be confident that every dollar you pledge goes a long way toward helping others. Your in-house CFC Coordinator is available to help you get started.

## Join The Effort, Make Your Pledge Today!

I invite you to join me in making an investment in the present and future well being of our local, national and international communities through the Combined Federal Campaign. The challenges faced by our communities are numerous and complex. For example, a staggering number of LA residents –1.7 million – are living in poverty, many without health insurance and often with limited education. I fully support CFC and am proud of this organization's ability to help federal employees support people in need. I hope you will join me in strengthening our communities through CFC. You may obtain a pledge form from your keyworker or coordinator, or visit the CFC website at:

[www.greaterlacfc.org](http://www.greaterlacfc.org)

Best Regards,  
Glen Banks, Area Director, SSA  
Tri Counties ADO  
Chair, 2009-2010 CFC

### How To Make Your Pledge. It's Simple!

- 1) **Attend** your local CFC kick-off event.
- 2) **Review** your CFC charity list and select the charity of your choice.
- 3) **Fill in** the pledge form completely and return it to your coordinator right away.

Ask your coordinator about your easy Employee Express giving choice or visit [www.employeeexpress.gov](http://www.employeeexpress.gov)

**REVIEW YOUR CFC CHARITY LIST. THERE ARE SO MANY CHOICES!**

Military Families

Arts

Religious Organizations

Health Services

Homelessness

Education

Youth

Relief Organizations