

Presidential Volunteer Service Award

Presidential recognition sets you apart from your peers. It is a tremendous honor. Even though you may not seek recognition, your example can deliver a powerful message that encourages others to take action.



The President's Volunteer Service Award recognizes United States citizens and lawfully admitted, permanent residents of the United States who have achieved the required number of hours of service over a 12-month time period or cumulative hours over the course of a lifetime.

Criteria

Individuals, families and groups that meet the criteria are eligible for the PVSA.

- Recipient(s) must be a United States citizen or a lawfully admitted permanent resident of the United States.
- Awards are issued for service hours served within a 12-month time period or over the course of a lifetime.
- Awards are issued for volunteer service only; additional levels of participation with the organization (i.e., charitable support) are not a factor considered for the award.
- Court-ordered community service does not qualify for the award.
- Awards are issued by approved Certifying Organizations.
- Service must be with an approved Certifying Organization that is legally established in the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or one of the U.S. territories.

Eligibility

Hours are measured over a 12-month period and awards are designated based on cumulative hours. The awards are offered in multiple levels and are designed to recognize each milestone of your service achievement. Levels include bronze, silver, gold and the highest honor, the President's Lifetime Achievement Award for those who contribute more than 4,000 hours of service in their lifetime.

Along with the ultimate honor of presidential recognition, recipients will receive a personalized certificate, an official pin, medallion or coin and a congratulatory letter from the president of the United States.

LOG YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD; Remember you are responsible for logging your own hours.

***Remember to use the website & Record Of Service (ROS) Key below to log all of your Helping Hands volunteer hours including from any food pantry & clothing donations you make: <http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/the-award>

Helping Hands Key: ZBF-56342

Logging your Hours:

Once your profile is set up –

- Click on My Service.
- Click on Add Activity.
- Fill in basic description of Service Activity.
 - Rockwall Helping Hands will always be your Benefitting Organization.
 - Economic Opportunity will generally be your Area of Service.
 - Unless you did something with Disaster Relief, the Health Center or Education.
 - The Date you did your service (please do keep up with this).
 - We might have to tweak these since we want it to fit into your school year.
 - In put total hours (5 hours if you worked from 8am – 1pm). ☺
 - Hit Save.
- Melody or Tiffany will certify these at the end of the year, you do not have to do anything further.

Please see below for the number of hours you need to receive awards.

HOURS BY AWARD	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD
Kids (5-10)	26 – 49	50 – 74	75 +
Teens (11–15)	50 – 74	75 – 99	100 +
Young Adults (16-25)	100 – 174	175 – 249	250 +
Adults (26 and older)	100 – 249	250 – 499	500+
Families and Groups*	200 – 499	500 – 999	1,000+
President's Lifetime Achievement Award: Individuals who have completed 4,000 or more hours in their lifetime			
<i>* Two or more people, with each member contributing at least 25 hours toward the total</i>			