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Navy Federal Encourages Volunteerism

Employee-focused program promotes community service.

VIENNA, Va. (March 14, 2011) – At [Navy Federal Credit Union](http://navyfederal.org), community service and stewardship is woven into the culture of the organization. Navy Federal’s Dollars for Doers grant program recognizes, supports and encourages the contributions of our employees’ volunteer efforts. The program provides \$1,000 grants to 30 nonprofit organizations on behalf of Navy Federal’s volunteers.

“We are proud our employees have become community stakeholders by devoting time and energy away from their jobs to lend a helping hand,” said Cutler Dawson, Navy Federal’s president and chief executive. “The monetary contribution supports their dedication.”

Research shows, an employee who spends at least an hour a week performing community service increases the likelihood of being a happy, productive worker. Four employees and the nonprofit organizations they support are highlighted below.

Robert Koulefanou, senior systems engineer in Vienna, Va., was awarded \$1,000 for [Literacy Volunteers of America](#). “The funds will be used to teach adults in Prince William County, Va. to read, write and communicate effectively, and to actively participate in the community.”

For over four years, Jennifer Goodman, branch manager in Portsmouth, Va. has worked with the [American Red Cross](#). “The grant will be used to enrich the volunteer program in the local military community, where I live and work.”

In Pensacola, Fla., Bronwynn Hindman, supervisor at the Brian L. McDonnell Center at Heritage Oaks, supports [Make A Wish Foundation of Central and Northern Florida](#). “Dollars for Doers will help the foundation grant wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions.”

Carole Van Ostenbridge, senior loan officer in San Diego, Calif. meets the emergency needs of residents through the [Bethlehem Food Pantry](#) in El Cajon. “We’re thankful for the contribution that will be used to assist those who are in need of food, clothing and counseling.”

About Navy Federal Credit Union

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