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Dear Military and Federal Family of South Hampton Roads:

The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) mission is to support and promote philanthropy through a voluntary program that is employee-focused, cost-efficient, and effective in providing all federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all. As we commence the 2016 Combined Federal Campaign, we can look back with satisfaction at the results of our hard work in 2015. Last year, our military and federal personnel donated \$3,113,833 to the CFC of South Hampton Roads. Of this amount, \$802,901 was donated to local area charities, making a direct, positive impact on those in our own communities. This is how we gave back and I want to thank all who contributed in 2015.

I am an avid supporter of CFC and believe we all should make a difference through our voluntary contributions. This is **OUR** campaign and **WE** have the opportunity to assist children, the homeless, and others who are in need. Additionally, we are able to support foundations for the arts, the environment, medical research, animal protection, adoption services, and many other deserving causes.

The CFC is a designation-based campaign and you are able to decide exactly what charity your money supports and in what percentage. If you choose not to designate, the funds will be distributed proportionally to those charities in our campaign who receive designated donations. These are your dollars supporting those charities that you know and trust. We want to ensure your support is given appropriately.

There are many worthwhile charities looking for support and I encourage you to make use of the 2016 CFC charity list when considering your donations, to find a charity worthy of your support. The charity list is available in PDF format and in a word-search version on the CFC Website, www.cfcshr.org. Federal employees can now give to any local CFC approved charity, through the *Universal Giving Program*, regardless of where the charity is located. This excel database list thousands of additional approved charities and can be found on the CFC Website also. For those who choose to donate online, NEXUS is the online pledge system, which can also be accessed from the website. Please take advantage of this easy and convenient tool. The Office of Personnel Management's (OPM) CFC Operations Office has assigned a unique five (5) digit code number for each charity. However, the charity you want to donate to may not be a part of the 2016 CFC campaign, so please check to ensure that they are participating. We highly encourage you to donate using payroll deduction. By spreading out your gift over the year, a small donation per pay period can build to a larger sum total with overall significant impact.

It only takes a few minutes to donate online or to fill out the pledge form, your contributions will go far in helping out those less fortunate. They may even have impacted someone you know or even you! If you have previously given, thank you for your support. If you have not given before, we ask that you consider voluntarily contributing by joining the tens of thousands of military and federal employees in South Hampton Roads who have made a contribution and helped someone in need.

Let's "SHOW SOME LOVE" this 2016 CFC campaign season! Thank you!

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