

THE PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

The North Dakota Department of Commerce is participating in the **PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD** program as a Certifying Organization.

THE AWARD

THE PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD IS ISSUED BY THE PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL AND SERVICE AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO RECOGNIZE THE BEST IN THE AMERICAN SPIRIT, AND TO ENCOURAGE ALL AMERICANS TO IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNITIES THROUGH VOLUNTEER SERVICE, AND CIVIC PARTICIPATION.

THERE ARE THREE LEVELS AND FOUR CATEGORIES OF THE AWARD VARYING BY AGE AND HOURS OF SERVICE COMPLETED WITHIN A 12 MONTH PERIOD.

KIDS	(14 AND UNDER)	ADULTS	(26 AND UP)
BRONZE	50-74 HOURS	BRONZE	100-249 HOURS
SILVER	75-99 HOURS	SILVER	250-499 HOURS
GOLD	100+ HOURS	GOLD	500 + HOURS

YOUNG ADULTS	(15 -25)	FAMILIES AND GROUPS*	
BRONZE	100-174 HOURS	BRONZE	200-499 HOURS
SILVER	175-249 HOURS	SILVER	500-999 HOURS
GOLD	250+ HOURS	GOLD	1000+ HOURS

*Two or more people, with each member contributing at least 25 hours toward the total.

Individuals who have completed 4,000 or more volunteer service hours over the course of their lifetime are eligible to receive the President's Call to Service Award.

All Award recipients receive a personalized certificate of achievement, a congratulatory letter from the President of the United States, a congratulatory letter from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation, and an official President's Award pin.

Guidelines

To earn an Award, individuals, families and groups must keep a record of volunteer activities and hours served. Activities and hours served may be tracked online at www.presidentialserviceawards.gov. Create an account and enter your volunteer activities and time. Use the Record of Service Key (KLL 37239) to designate the Department of Commerce as your Certifying Organization.

While almost all volunteer service contributes to eligibility for the Award, volunteers are encouraged to participate in service that addresses particular areas of need in the State and Nation. Priority areas include youth achievement, parks and open spaces, healthy communities, public safety, and emergency response. Activities should be unpaid and may not include court-ordered community service.

The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation

President George W. Bush created the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation in 2003 to help recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making to our Nation. Chaired by two-time Super Bowl champion Darrell Green, with former U. S. Senators Robert Dole and John Glen, serving as honorary co-chairs, the Council includes leaders from government, business, media, entertainment, education, and non-profit, volunteer service and community organizations.

More Information

To learn more about the Award call James J. Hirsch at 701-328-5345 or visit www.presidentialserviceawards.gov or call 1-866-545-5307.