Dear Colleagues:

December 5th is International Volunteer Day. This day began in 1985 by the United Nations as a way to thank volunteers who selflessly provide their time and personal effort in support of charities around the world.

This year, the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is inviting all federal employees and retirees to join the global network of amazing volunteers by pledging volunteer hours in addition to your CFC donation. Many charities need your help, even virtually! You may be invited to use your skills or talents to balance a budget book; tutor children after school; translate documents; review a legal contract; assemble a care or hygiene package; care for an adopted pet, and more.

Learn how to join the global community of CFC volunteers at https://cfcnca.givefc.org/ways-to-join, or check out examples of virtual volunteer opportunities here. There are so many charities to choose from and you can find them all, plus more information at GiveCFC.org.

Giving through the CFC helps each of us leave a lasting impact in our world. Together, we can be the Face of Change.

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