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Dear Military and Federal Family of South Hampton Roads:

The 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 2013 Combined Federal Campaign, we can look back with satisfaction at the results of our hard work in 2012. Last year, our military and federal personnel donated \$5,065,494 to the CFC of South Hampton Roads. Of this amount, \$1,250,258 was donated to our local area charities, making a direct, positive impact on those in our own communities. Congratulations to each of you who contributed in 2012!

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. In today's economy, we are fortunate to be employed, and the CFC gives us a chance to share some of our good fortune with others.

I encourage you to make use of this charity list when considering your donations. The charity list is also available in PDF format in a word-search version on the CFC Web site, [www.cfcshr.org](http://www.cfcshr.org). For those who choose to donate online, NEXUS is the online pledge system, which can also be accessed from the Web site. 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, each charity you want to donate to may not be a part of the campaign each year, so please check to ensure that they are participating this year. We also 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 greater impact.

The CFC is a designation-based campaign, and you are given the opportunity to decide where your money goes and in what percentage to the charities from the charity list. If you choose not to designate, the funds will be distributed proportionally to those charities in our campaign who receive designated donations. Those charities that do not receive any designated funds will not receive any of the undesignated funds. If there are charities participating in the campaign that you do not wish to receive any of your donation, simply designate and be assured the donation will go where it was intended.

Please give generously. It only takes a few minutes to fill out the pledge form, and your contributions will go far in helping out those less fortunate. They may even have an impact on someone you know or even you! If you have given before, we thank you for your support. If you have not given before, we ask that you join 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 live up to our 2013 CFC theme of "Together, We Can Make A Difference." Thank you!

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