



## “MAKE IT POSSIBLE”

August/September Newsletter 2014

### “MAKE IT POSSIBLE” THIS CFC SEASON

The 2014 Campaign is right around the corner, and we want to thank you for helping raise the needed funds for local, national and international charities.

Over the past 53 years, Federal workers from across the U.S. have donated more than \$7 billion through the Combined Federal Campaign, making it one of the most powerful philanthropic forces in the world.

The most effective and efficient channels for philanthropic giving, the CFC includes a huge variety of causes and gives Federal workers an accountable and flexible way to donate to the charities of their choice.

If you haven't heard, even with the government shut down, last year's local campaign was a success! **In 2013 Federal Employees in the 3 Rivers/PA West CFC region raised \$920,125 with over 2,800 donors!** We cannot thank you enough...THANK YOU!

We hope to continue with the success of the 2014 campaign, and reach our goal of \$1.1 million for the upcoming campaign.

So how can you raise \$1.1 million? Please attend the upcoming Campaign Manager/Keyworker Training in September/October, read your CFC e-mails, check out [www.3riverscfc.org](http://www.3riverscfc.org) and get excited about the CFC. And don't forget to attend the **8<sup>th</sup> Annual CFC Chili Cook-off and Charity Fair** in October!

For more information on the 2014 campaign visit [www.3riverscfc.org](http://www.3riverscfc.org).

### NEW - UNIVERSAL GIVING IS HERE!

Universal Giving is the ability to donate to any of the 24,000+ national, international and local charities (not denied participation in the CFC) without regard to geographic boundaries. An example would be if you work in Pennsylvania and you want to donate to a Brooklyn, New York food pantry (and they are in the CFC), with Universal Giving, this can now be achieved.



Find ALL CFC charity codes at [www.3riverscfc.org](http://www.3riverscfc.org) and use the “Charity Look Up” tool. You can place the charity code on your

paper pledge card or donate online through MyPay, EEX or CFC Nexus.

Please know that the print version of the CFC Charity List/Directory will continue to contain the national & international charity information provided by OPM and the 300+ local charities approved in the 3 Rivers/PA West CFC region.

### ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS FOR ALL FEDERAL EMPLOYEES



The 3 Rivers/PA West CFC is proud to offer THREE methods of making your CFC payroll deduction donation online. Making your donation online offers a variety of benefits including a charity search tool, verification of the charity codes you enter, mathematical accuracy, and increased privacy and confidentiality. SAVE A TREE as you DONATE!

#### ONLINE OPTIONS:

Employee Express (EEX) is available to employees at SELECT federal agencies. Pledge goes directly to EEX payroll office.

MyPay is available to employees at SELECT federal agencies. Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS) provides payment services to the United States Department of Defense. Pledge goes directly to MyPay payroll office.

CFC Nexus is available to ALL donors in the region (no matter the payroll office) and is encouraged for agencies/donors whom do not have access to the EEX and MyPay payroll programs. CFC NEXUS is a 8th generation OPM acknowledged online E-Pledging system designed specifically for the CFC community.

One time CREDIT CARD donations can also be made through CFC Nexus (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express). The site is 100% secure and compliant with the Payment Card Industry standards, which means that no credit card information is stored.

MAKE AN ONLINE DONATION THIS FALL through the CFC by visiting the campaign website: [www.3riverscfc.org](http://www.3riverscfc.org).

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## 2014 DONOR THANK YOU GIFTS

CFC Thank You Awards – Our small way of saying thanks! Every person, regardless of income or position, has the opportunity to be a leader when giving through the CFC. With a payroll deduction plan that spreads a gift over 12 months, giving is easy.

**TO RECEIVE YOUR GIFT, YOU MUST CHECK THE GIFT BOX ON THE 2014 DONOR FORM.**

### 2014 GIFTS:

Contributor CFC Pen – Every donor that makes a contribution will receive a CFC pen.

Silver Level Recognition – Silver Level Donors (\$250 - \$649) will receive a red Hot/Cold Ice Pack.

Gold Level Recognition – Gold Level Donors (\$650 - \$999) will receive a black Dashboard Sticky Pad.

### Gold Eagle Club Award

For those donors who are motivated to give at higher levels, special recognition is well deserved. As a constant reminder of their generosity and enthusiasm, a 2014 U.S. Mint Proof Set will be given for donors. Requirements: Annual gift of \$1000+

TO REDUCE COSTS, PLEASE KNOW GIFTS ARE OF LIMITED QUANTITIES.

**2014 3 RIVERS/PENNSYLVANIA WEST CFC THANK YOU GIFTS**  
Donor **MUST** check award box on donor form to receive gift  
(First come, first served)

Everyone Gift - CFC Silver Pen

Silver Award  
Donation: \$250 - \$649  
CFC Hot Cold Pack  
7.25 x 4.25

Gold Award  
Donation: \$650 - \$999  
CFC Sticky Dashboard Pad  
\*Phone not included

Gold Eagle Award  
Donation: \$1000 +  
2014 United States Mint Presidential \$1 Coin Proof Set  
Features all four 2014 Presidential \$1 Coins in proof quality. United States Mint proof coins are extraordinarily bright, with sharp relief and a mirror-like background. The coins are then packaged in a protective lens to showcase and maintain their exceptional finish.

The 2014 obverses (heads sides) of these coins honor these Presidents:

- Warren G. Harding
- Calvin Coolidge
- Herbert Hoover
- Franklin D. Roosevelt

## TOP 10 REASONS CFC WORKS FOR YOU

1. It's your campaign.
2. The CFC is like a department store for charities (24,000+ to choose from.)
3. It's guaranteed. Your representatives screen each charity for accountability.
4. It can be customized to reflect your own beliefs, values, and humanitarian concerns.
5. It's a cost effective way to donate.
6. A small monthly contribution adds up to a big annual gift.
7. Through CFC you can fund many needs.
8. You determine where your money goes by designating your gift.
9. It offers easy, convenient one-stop shopping.
10. You can say "I gave at the office" with pride!

THANK YOU FEDERAL EMPLOYEES  
FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO CHARITIES

## ANNOUNCING OUR 2014 CORPORATE SPONSORS\*

### 2014 GOLD EAGLE SPONORS

Allegent Community Federal Credit Union

### 2014 EAGLE SPONORS

BlueCross BlueShield - Federal Employee Program

### 2014 BRONZE SPONSORS

NARFE Premier Federal Credit Union

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## ANNUAL CFC GOLF OUTING September 26, 2014 Black Hawk Golf Course

REGISTRATION DEADLINE 8/29/2014

On behalf of the 3 RIVERS/PENNSYLVANIA WEST COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN, I cordially invite all current and former Federal Employees, Military Personnel and their guests to our annual fall golf event. By request of past golfers, we are headed to Black Hawk Golf Course in Beaver Falls, PA. With morning coffee and pastry, lunch, soft drinks, bottled water, beverages, favors and a hot buffet, followed by prizes. You still can't beat the deal.

While we try to promote a sense of community among the government work force and military, and to boost the awareness of the CFC, we do this by having a low-key, fun day. This is not a traditional fund raiser, although we do have a few small events benefiting the participating charities, and a very short program related to the campaign. PLEASE KNOW THAT THE ENRTY FEE COVERS GOLF, CART, SNACKS, LUNCH, HOT DINNER, BEVERAGES, GIFTS, AND DOES NOT ACT AS A DONATION.

Since last year's outing was such a success, we will keep the four player scramble format. We will still have a handicapping and flight system so that you will be playing against teams of similar ability, and everyone will have a chance to win. Last year the scramble seemed to speed up play and avoid delay recording scores and awarding prizes. We encourage everyone to form a foursome, but we will form teams from other entries if you cannot.

Please complete the registration form (Download at [www.3riverscfc.org](http://www.3riverscfc.org)) and submit payment to the Federal Executive Board, Moorhead Federal Building, 1000 Liberty Ave., Room 1303, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 by AUGUST 29th. If it comes down to the wire for spots, paid entries will be honored before any entries sent without payment. The first name on the form will be the primary contact. Please tell your group to arrive no later than 8:30 AM. Directions are on the course's website at [www.blackhawkgolfcourse.com](http://www.blackhawkgolfcourse.com).

While we may get cooperation from the course regarding late additions, substitutions and cancellations, we cannot guarantee entry after the deadline (or if we get filled up before September 1) so don't put it off, enter right away! No refunds after we give them a final number 12 days before the event (course policy is a rain check rather than refund).

Call or email questions or suggestions.

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### 3 RIVERS/PENNSYLVANIA WEST CFC 2014 ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The 3 Rivers/Pennsylvania West Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) invites you to celebrate the end of another golf season and another successful campaign. In 2013 Federal Employees raised over \$900,000 and we hope to reach \$1.1 million in 2014!

Join current and former Federal Employees, Military Personnel and their guests for a day of fun, food and fellowship. This is a low key, fun event with prizes for all skill levels.

**Friday, September 26, 2014**  
**Four Player Scramble - 9:00 AM Shotgun Start**  
**Black Hawk Golf Course - Beaver Falls, PA 15010**

\$75.00 per golfer includes golf, cart, morning coffee and pastry, lunch, hot buffet dinner, beverages, soft drinks, water, favors and prizes.

We are hosting a four player scramble format. We encourage everyone to form a foursome, but we will form teams from other entries if you cannot.

Deadline for entries is August 29, 2014. If we fill player limit, spots will be filled in order of PAID entries received.

For more information and additional registration forms, visit [www.3riverscfc.org](http://www.3riverscfc.org) or contact Veronica Harris at [threeriverscfc.vharris@gmail.com](mailto:threeriverscfc.vharris@gmail.com) or call 412-303-3140.

Course information, including driving directions, at [www.blackhawkgolfcourse.com](http://www.blackhawkgolfcourse.com)

Names	Agency/Unit/Dept.	Total
1. (Contact) Name: _____	_____ / _____	\$75
Work Address: _____	_____	
Phone/e-mail: _____	_____	
2. Name: _____	_____ / _____	\$150
Work Address: _____	_____	
Phone/e-mail: _____	_____	
3. Name: _____	_____ / _____	\$225
Work Address: _____	_____	
Phone/e-mail: _____	_____	
4. Name: _____	_____ / _____	\$300
Work Address: _____	_____	
Phone/e-mail: _____	_____	

(Phone/e-mail requested so we may contact you about details and possible updates)

Send this REGISTRATION by AUGUST 29\* along with check made out to:  
Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board  
Moorhead Federal Building  
1000 Liberty Avenue, Room 1303  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222



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## DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE "KING OF THE KIDNEY BEAN" OR "SOUP KING"?



The 3 Rivers/PA West CFC is hosting its "8<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili for Charity" contest on October 14, 2014 and you are invited to be a contestant!

**We are seeking 10 cooks** to whip up their special chili or soup and enter the "Chili for Charity" contest. All entries will receive a special gift. The winner will receive a wonderful prize and of course, the sole title as **"King of the Kidney Bean" or "Soup King"**.

To enter call Amy Ervin at 412-330-7667. We provide the spoons, cups, napkins...you bring the grub!

### UPCOMING LOCAL CFC EVENTS:

#### KEYWORKER TRAININGS

September 18, 2014  
VA Butler Hospital  
Butler, PA

October 1, 2014  
Moorhead Federal Building  
Pittsburgh, PA

#### ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

September 26, 2014  
9:00 AM Shotgun Start  
Blackhawk Golf Course - Beaver Falls, PA

#### ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF

October 14, 2014  
Pittsburgh Chili Cook-Off & Charity Fair  
Moorhead Federal Building  
Pittsburgh, PA

#### CFC CAMPAIGN

October 1 - December 1  
CFC Solicitation

#### "GET YOUR GIVE ONLINE" WEEK

November 17 - 21, 2014

#### CFC AWARDS EVENT

January - (Date to be determined)

\* CFC Campaign Managers will be notified of final date/time of all CFC events.

## MEET THE LOCAL FEDERAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (LFCC)

The LFCC provides oversight for the local campaign in conformance with the CFC regulations and the policies established by OPM.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair

Michael Whitelock - U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

Co-Chair

Lori Blauser - OPM Boyers (FIS)

Co-Chair

Linda Reed - IRS-Pittsburgh Post of Duty

George Buck - Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board

Henrietta Burns-Weeden - IRS-Pittsburgh Post of Duty

### LFCC MEMBERS

Sharon Appel - OPM Boyers (ROC)

Lovetta Ford - VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

Shannon Kelley - Department of VA - Pittsburgh Regional Office

Joyce Voynick - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

### HONORARY NON VOTING MEMBERS

Lt Col Brian Schill - 911th AW

Ginette Simpson - U.S. Postal Service

### JOIN THE LFCC TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

To be an LFCC member, we ask that you attend via phone or in person at least five LFCC meetings. We meet one day a month and our meetings are usually one hour and are usually held at the Morehead Federal Building (downtown).

If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the LFCC, please let me know and I would be happy to answer any questions.

As always, thank you for your support of the CFC.

### CFC REGIONAL DIRECTOR

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