

The 3 Rivers/PA West Combined Federal Campaign Bulletin

“iCan”
Now, more than ever.



October Newsletter 2010

And the winner is...

On Wednesday, September 29th, the CFC held the fourth Federal Employee “Chili For Charity Chili Cook-off and Charity Fair”. The event hosted 46 charities and 10 chili entries at the Downtown Federal Building. The charities were delighted to meet and greet with more than 300 federal employees, talk about their mission and promote the CFC campaign.

Guests enjoyed snacks from the nacho bar from Acorn Foods, gifts from local entertainment venues, take-a-ways from the charity tables, and voted for their favorite chili. For photos, visit www.3riverscfc.org (photo tab)

This was a close competition! The 2010 King & Queen of the Kidney Bean is Ben Orrison and Rosa Doherty of the US Probation & Pretrial Service.

The CFC would like to thank the charities, the wonderful chefs and all who attended the kick-off event. We hope to see you next year at the 2011 Chili Cook-off...Do I smell redemption?



Congratulations to our “King & Queen of the Kidney Bean” Ben Orrison and Rosa Doherty of the U.S. Probation & Pretrial Service.

Sincere thanks to our 2010 Corporate Sponsors*

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Campaign News

This year's campaign has begun! As of October 22nd, federal employees have raised \$58,216.38 with 167 donors. Thank you for your support!

Our goal is to raise \$1.125 million for local, national and international charities by the end of November. Help us to help others. You “CAN” make a difference.

If you are interested in donating to your favorite charity through the CFC, please contact the CFC office at 412-330-7667 or talk with your office's CFC Keyworker.

Top 10 Reasons CFC Works For You

1. It's your campaign.
2. The CFC is like a department store for charities (2500+ to choose from.)
3. It's guaranteed. Our representatives screen each charity for accountability.
4. It can be customized to reflect your own beliefs, values & 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. Offers easy, convenient one-stop shopping.
10. You can say “I gave at the office” with pride.

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Thank You 2010 Chili Chefs For Your Support!

Jennice Hill - U.S. Customs & Border Protection
Border Chili is Back

Rich LoDuca - Goodwill Commercial Services
Bringin' the Heat - Again

Rosa Doherty & Ben Orrison - U.S. Probation & Pretrial Service
Outlaw Chili

Malea Cochran & Cynthia Evans - HUD
HUD's Chili (N) for CFC!

Connie Parlog - FBI
Joe's Jail-House Chili

Roger Bower - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
East Branch Dam Hot Chili

Rufus Hewlett III - GSA
Rufus Sized Chili

James Schrmack - IRS
Strapping Buck Chili

Michael Horvath - U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Hot Chocolate Chili

Janet Hunger - U.S. Bankruptcy Court
Some Like It Hot!

Congratulations to our second place winner Rich LoDuca of Goodwill Commercial Services and Best Table presentation Malea Cochran & Cynthia Evans of HUD.

Want to add your Charity to the CFC:

Do you know a charity that would like to become involved with the CFC? If so, please have them visit our website www.3riverscfc.org or call **412-330-7667** to learn how they can apply to be part of the 2011 campaign.

Applications for the 2011 campaign will be available on-line the end of February and the deadline to apply is April 2011. Charities must be a 501c3.

CFC Golf Event - Recap

The CFC Golf event was a success with beautiful weather, compliments of the NOAA, and 99 attendees! Held on September 24th at the beautiful Black Hawk Golf Course in Beaver Falls, golfers enjoyed morning coffee, snacks, favors and a hot buffet dinner.

Golfers won various prizes, including an auto-graphed picture of Arnold Palmer, golf bags, supplies, and other great gifts!

Special thanks to Mark Wirick & Rich Mort for their dedication to the golf event. Mark & Rich graciously volunteered their time to make the golf event a success. Thank you Mark & Rich!

Congratulations to the winners of the 2010 CFC Golf Outing!

Low Gross Winners: SSA

Tim Kunzler
Darrin Floyd
Bob Dubay
Tom Butler

Peoria Handicap First Flight Winners: VARO

Mark Piatek
Mike May
Mark Davenport
Rich Eckert

Peoria Handicap Second Flight Winners: IRS

Luis Cardiel
Jack Hudson
David Szymoniak
Ruben Gonzales

Interested in helping with the 2011 Golf Outing? Call Amy Ervin at 412-330-7667.



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A Few Reminders Regarding the CFC:

THE CAMPAIGN IN THE 3 RIVERS/PENNSYLVANIA WEST REGION

The 3 Rivers/Pennsylvania West Combined Federal Campaign covers parts of Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and the West Virginia panhandle. We are the Federal Employee and Military annual fundraising effort representing hundreds of Local, National and International Charities. Our campaign region includes: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, Fayette, Forest, Greene, Lawrence, Mercer, Venango, Washington, and Westmoreland Counties (PA). Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio, and Wetzel Counties (WV). Belmont and Monroe Counties (OH).

DONOR DESIGNATIONS

Donors are encouraged to designate their gifts to specific organizations (up to five on form, use multiple forms for more charities) OR to federations that are listed in the Campaign Brochure. Designating gifts allows donors to channel contributions to those organizations that best represent their interests or concerns. If one chooses to designate a gift to a federation, the contribution is used to support the work of the federation or is shared with its affiliated agencies in accordance with the federation's policy. Designations may only be made to organizations that have been included in the Campaign Brochure. Write-ins are prohibited.

UNDESIGNATED FUNDS

Although donors are encouraged to designate their gifts to particular organizations or federations, and most do, it is not required. If one chooses to make a contribution but does not want to specify where that contribution is to go, the contribution will still be accepted. These undesignated funds are then shared among all of the organizations listed in the Campaign Brochure in the same proportion that the organizations received designations. Undesignated Code is 99999.

Note: If an organization listed in the brochure receives no designations by any donor, that agency will not receive any of the undesignated money either. Those who designate, in effect, are voting for distribution of undesignated monies.

REMINDER - CERTAIN AGENCIES CAN GIVE TO THE CFC THROUGH EMPLOYEE EXPRESS

Comptroller of the Currency
DOE - Office of Inspector General
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
FAA
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
Federal Executive Board
Federal Railroad Administration
Fort Necessity National Battlefield
Geological Survey
GSA

Internal Revenue Service
International Trade Administration
National Labor Relations Board
Office of Surface Mining
Office of the Solicitor (Field)
OPM
Railroad Retirement Board
Small Business Administration
Social Security Administration (NEW 2010)

| Item | Gift Value | Helps Provide |
|---------------------------------|------------|--|
| A candy bar per week | \$39 | One hour to training for wildlife protection. |
| A soft drink and chips per week | \$72 | Three weeks of food for a battered mother and child. |
| A movie per month | \$96 | Research to cure a disease. |
| A specialty coffee per week | \$120 | Fifteen nights of shelter for a homeless person. |
| A hamburger and fries per week | \$216 | An electric wheelchair for an MS patient. |
| One gallon of gasoline per week | \$234 | Vaccinations for 500 refugee children. |

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171st Pennsylvania Air National Guard Announces Winner of its "King of the Giant Kidney Bean"

On Friday, October 22nd, the 171st PA Air National Guard hosted its second Chili Cook Off and Charity Fair. With over 100 attendees and 17 charities, the event was a success.

Special thanks to all the 171st PA Air Guard Chili Cooks and volunteers.



Congratulations to First Place 171st Chili Winner Megan Clancy.

Upcoming 3 Rivers/PA West CFC Events:

October 1 - December 15
CFC Solicitation

January - (Date to be determined)
CFC Awards Event

How Much Is an Appropriate Gift?

The appropriate gift is a matter of the person's conscience and resources:

- \$250 - \$449 - Silver level giver
- \$500 - \$749 - Gold level giver
- \$62.50 per month - Eagle Club giver
- \$83.34 per month - Golden Eagle Club giver
- Last Year's Local Average Annual Gift Was \$265.67 (\$22.13 per month)
- Last Year's National Average Annual Gift Was \$257.50 (\$21.45 per month)

Committee (LFCC)

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

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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