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Proclaiming April 2026 as National Volunteer Month in Los Angeles County

Every April, during National Volunteer Month, the County of Los Angeles (County) proudly recognizes the valuable impact that volunteers have across our communities. The County is privileged to recognize the thousands of individuals who selflessly serve our constituents. Whether volunteers give their time and share their talents with organizations and groups across the County, or they volunteer in one of our County departments, their commitment to service makes a significant difference in the lives of others and inspires others to give back and carry forward the spirit of volunteerism.

Here at the County, employees, those who have retired from County service, and community members generously give their time to help departments fulfill their mission. Whether mentoring youth, assisting with emergency response efforts, supporting hospital staff, or helping with our park and library programs, their time and talent provide resources that strengthen our County programs. Every hour of service creates a lasting impact, advancing our collective goal to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve throughout the County.

In 2025, more than 87,400 volunteers collectively donated 1,897,087 hours of

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service across County departments, a contribution valued at over \$65,999,662, based on the 2025 national valuation of volunteer time of \$34.79 per hour. In the wake of last year's wildfire recovery efforts, through economic uncertainty, and during the disruption to CalFresh benefits, volunteers demonstrated extraordinary resilience, compassion, and teamwork. Their dedication in times of crisis exemplifies the best of public service and underscores why we celebrate their efforts each year.

The County extends its heartfelt gratitude to all volunteers for their invaluable contributions, and to the Departmental Volunteer Coordinators for facilitating their involvement. Their service enriches lives, strengthens communities, and inspires future generations to serve. Volunteer service truly embodies the County's mission "To Enrich Lives through Effective and Caring Service."

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Proclaim the month of April as "County Volunteer Month" throughout the County of Los Angeles.
2. Direct the Department of Human Resources (DHR) to encourage all County departments to actively recognize their volunteers and celebrate their service during the month of April to further highlight and honor the contributions of these dedicated individuals.
3. Encourage residents to learn about volunteer opportunities with County departments and register as volunteers through the County's online volunteer platform via <https://volunteer.lacounty.gov/>.

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4. Request County departments to share and promote the County's volunteer website through the County's online volunteer platform, community events, job fairs, newsletters, social media, and other outreach methods.

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