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The open enrollment period for the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) ends on Jan. 14, 2025, so don't wait too long to make your contribution. CFC is the world's largest and most successful annual workplace charity campaign, raising more than \$100 million a year on average. Since its inception in 1961, the CFC has raised nearly \$8.7 billion for charities and people in need. Federal and postal employees participate in the CFC by choosing from a list of charities to support through automatic deductions from their paychecks.

"For letter carriers, there's no busier period than the holidays, but it's also the time when we focus most on the needs of others," NALC President Brian L. Renfroe said. "Please try to find a moment to pledge to give a little each pay period to the charities you support."

All active or retired letter carriers can participate in the CFC. Active carriers may use payroll deduction, credit or debit cards, or bank accounts to make recurring donations. They also can make a one-time donation using any of these methods except payroll deduction. Participants can even volunteer for the charity and count the value of the hours as money raised.

The easiest ways to sign up are through the CFC Donor Pledging System at cfcgiving.opm.gov or through the CFC Giving smartphone app, available on the App Store and Google Play.

Retired letter carriers may donate through a deduction from their annu-

ity, by making a one-time or recurring donation using a credit or debit card, or through an automatic deduction from their bank account using the CFC Donor Pledging System.

Letter carriers can choose from among 2,000-plus nonprofit charitable organizations to support through CFC. By looking at the list and choosing a charity's CFC number, you can donate an amount of your choosing directly to one or more charities. You can search for charities at cfcgiving.opm.gov/offerings.

NALC is directly involved with two charities eligible for support through the CFC: The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) and United Way Worldwide.

MDA, which has been NALC's official charity since 1952, is the world's leading nonprofit health organization sponsoring research into the causes of, and effective treatments for, neuromuscular diseases. MDA research grants support research projects worldwide, as well as camps and activities for children who have any of these diseases. MDA's CFC number is 10561.

United Way Worldwide is the leadership and support organization for the network of nearly 1,800 communitybased United Way organizations in 40 countries and territories. United Way focuses on creating community-based and community-led solutions that provide the foundation for a good quality of life. The CFC number for the United Way Worldwide is 11188.

For more information, go to nalc. org/cfc. **PR**

Still time to give through CFC