

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

NALC has long been an enthusiastic supporter of the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), which is designed to allow postal and federal government employees to make charitable donations through payroll deduction.

Each year, I have issued an endorsement of the annual CFC campaign and suggested that NALC members use the opportunity to make regular donations to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Postal Employees' Relief Fund,

the United Way, or any charity of their choice.

In 2018, charities covered by CFC raised a total of \$7,792,391 from 26,256 postal employees, including 4,524 hours of time spent by employees volunteering for the campaign. These donations were an increase of \$1.6 million over the amount raised in 2017.

This past year, the CFC campaign raised a total of \$6,762,366 from postal employees, including volunteer hours, which is equal to \$23,769 in cash do-

nations. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Office of Personnel Management authorized a special solicitation period, which was open from April 22 through June 30 of this year. During this period, and additional \$45,274 was donated, including time spent by employees volunteering worth \$6,227. This increased the total amount raised, in both monetary donations and volunteer hours, to \$6,955,320 for charitable organizations supported in part by the CFC.