



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC COMMAND



Dear Federal Colleagues:

As employees of the United States Government, your enduring service to the American people and way of life continues to be remarkable. Your positive impact is felt among those who live across our great country and around the world. Your tireless efforts are also strongly felt at home, as we work together to improve the quality of life of our neighbors in Nebraska, Iowa, and South Dakota.

Your dedication to helping others is why I am asking you once again to participate in the 2016 Heart of the Midlands Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) to strengthen the charitable agencies closest to our hearts. These nonprofit organizations provide vital services and assistance to our neighbors and to our fellow citizens across the Nation.

Your CFC contributions make a difference every day, supporting children and adults with disabilities and life-threatening diseases, giving them access to treatment, and fueling the research that one day could save their lives. With the CFC you can help children and adults strengthen their education, and in turn, their economic independence. CFC charities assist those struck by disaster; help combat hunger, disease and poverty; assist the families of our wounded and fallen; and provide critical resources for those who preserve our wildlife and natural resources.

This year's CFC theme, "Show Some Love," captures your spirit to service and selfless acts. Within the contribution guide, you'll find hundreds of worthy organizations eager for your help. I encourage you to consider making a voluntary donation to the 2016 Heart of Midlands CFC through payroll deduction or a one-time gift.

With each donation, no matter the size, you enrich our community both with your physical gift and by your example of character. Our country and our world are forever progressively changed as a result of your act of charity. When thousands of federal employees contribute, that impact is exponentially greater in so many positive ways.

I thank you for selfless service and your sacrifice to a cause greater than one's self. Your Nation thanks you, and more importantly, so does your community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick A. McVay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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