



Heartland Combined Federal Campaign

The CFC Insider

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Dates to Remember:

- **September 20, 2006**
CFC City-Wide Kick-off
Illus Davis Park
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- **October 4, 2006**
2006 CFC Campaign Begins
- **October 9, 2006**
CFC Championship
Golf Tournament
Drumm Farms,
Independence, MO

For more details go to
www.heartlandcfc.org

4th Annual CFC City-Wide Kickoff—Do You Your Tickets?

Over 1500 Federal Employees are expected to participate in this year's annual CFC City-Wide Kick-off.

The last 3 year's have been a wonderful experience for those who have participated and this year should not be any different. Show your true colors by participating this year. This is another opportunity for federal employees to show their

support for our community and have some fun doing it. Who knows, you might even see yourself on the local TV News that same afternoon.

For \$5.00 you will receive a special 2006 CFC T-shirt and a box lunch from Mr. Goodcents and a chance for door prizes. Enjoy the city's largest Non-Profit Fair, US Postal Choir, 2006

Hero Games, Chiefs Cheerleaders and possibly Sky Divers and many more surprises. If you have not purchased your tickets, check out the CFC website for locations near you to purchase tickets

Remember, the cost is just \$5.00 pre-sale before September 15th and \$7.00 at the door. We hope to see you there.



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Employee Recognition Nights
Heartland CFC & partners would like to recognize and reward your kindness by offering special group discounts.



Discounted Circus Tickets
Details at www.heartlandcfc.org

What's New in 2006?

Hope Lives ... When You Give

Did you ever wonder who comes up with the annual theme for the Heartland CFC?

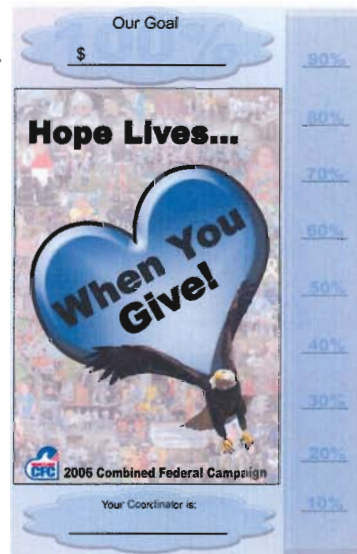
Well, it is quite the democratic process. The CFC Cabinet Committee, comprised of management and labor representative, get together and

actually vote on the theme from a long list of suggested themes. This year's theme has been chosen: *Hope Lives ... When You Give.*

Simple. Direct. Factual. Optimistic.

Please consider giving through the CFC.

(right: 2006 poster)



Your CFC Donations—Christine Schmaltz's Story

My son, Cy, was diagnosed with Duchene Muscular Dystrophy at the age of six, and at that time we had no health insurance. He was first seen by the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) clinic at KU Med Center, and they covered Cy's muscle biopsy and blood test to identify which disease he had. The MDA also paid for blood tests for me and my sister to identify whether or not we were carriers.

The MDA paid for his first pair of night splints which helped stretch his heel cords and would help keep him walking longer. Over the years, the association also provided other adaptive equipment for our home. After we obtained medical insurance that would cover Cy's pre-existing condition, MDA continued to help with costs that exceeded insurance. Cy was seen by MDA doctors every six months at the St. Louis Children's Hospital which specialized in Duchene in which Cy par-

ticipated in a trial program using prednisone which increases muscle strength and helps the boys to walk longer.

MDA doctors performed heel cord surgery on Cy when he was 11 years old to try to keep him walking longer. Unfortunately, when Cy started middle school, doctors insisted he use a wheelchair between classes, and he was soon confined to the chair. MDA paid for his first manual wheelchair which cost \$1,200. MDA also sponsors a parent support group that was very helpful in dealing with Cy's condition.

If you ask Cy about MDA and what they did for him, he would most likely tell you about MDA summer camp. Summer camp is a week-long adventure for children 6-21 with a neuromuscular disease. The children in wheelchairs and walkers get to do activities that they don't

normally get to participate in, such as swimming, baseball, and dances. MDA volunteers serve as counselors, and each camper has his own counselor. There is no cost to the parents, and it gives the parents a much needed break! MDA continues to provide financial assistance and family support.

I am eternally grateful for everything MDA has done for my son and my family. Thank you for your donation to CFC

Christine Schmaltz is an employee of the EPA



Why CFC—Why Heartland CFC?



On the surface this seems like a simple question. Yet if you really think about it, it actually raises many more questions. Please take a few moments and consider how you would answer these questions.

Have you ever been in need of emotional, financial, or medical help? This would include social organizations, scholarships, disease prevention and awareness, etc.

If you or your loved one was in need, would you hope someone else would come forward to help you?

Do you get personal satisfaction from helping other, either directly or indirectly?

Do you support the work and purpose of non-for-profit agencies?

What does charity mean to you?
hint: To Merriam-Webster's it means, "generosity and helpful-

ness especially toward the needy or suffering"

Do you want control over where your monetary donation goes?

Does payroll deduction make it easier for you to give?

Is it important that the non-for-profit agencies included in the CFC have meet strict accountability standards?

.....perhaps a more vital question is, "Why Not CFC?"

Coming Soon

CFC GiveSmart Card

The GiveSmart Card Program was developed to recognize those who contribute \$50 cash gift or \$2 per pay period for civilian personnel through the CFC. This is the first year for implementation of the GiveSmart Card Program and it is anticipated to continue this annual program indefinitely.

Selected merchants are being asked to participate in this donor recognition program by providing a fixed discount for merchandise/service to the GiveSmart Card Program membership card-carrying patron. A credit card size GiveSmart Program membership card will be provided to all contributors. More coming soon!

