



# COMMUNITY HEROES

## Honoring The Day By Working For A Better America

(NAPSA)—There are many positive ways that Americans can remember 9/11, one tragic day that united the nation.

There are potentially as many positive ways as there are Americans and each of the nation's communities can benefit from them.

A nationwide, congressionally endorsed effort named MyGoodDeed is working to establish a long-term, meaningful and positive way to honor the day each year.

Founded in 2003, the campaign has already engaged more than three million Americans in acts of community service and other good deeds.

The organization's goal is to change the nation for the better, not only generating expressions of charitable giving and service, but creating a way to rekindle the spirit of unity that was so clearly felt on that day in 2001.

The nonprofit public benefit corporation honors the victims, family members, and survivors of the attacks on America, as well as the rescue and recovery workers and the thousands of volunteers who gave so much on and following September 11.

The organization is working to establish September 11 as a National Day of Voluntary Service, Charity and Compassion, by encouraging individuals, employers and groups to permanently set aside time during the week of September 11 each year to help others in need through service or other giving activities.

There are many ways you can help:

- You can volunteer at a community food bank.
- You can volunteer at a Points

## myGoodDeed.org



**“All we ask is for people to perform one good deed to help others on 9/11,” says founder David Paine.**

of Light center or Hands on Network affiliate.

- You can donate blood.
- You can help hurricane victims rebuild their lives.
- You can prepare and train for all hazards and support local emergency responders through Citizen Corps.
- Register your talents for nonprofits to find how The National Day of Voluntary Service may help determine how future generations remember 9/11.

The site offers a wealth of volunteer organizations to choose from.

MyGoodDeed is not affiliated with any charity or organization. It is a partnership of the Points of Light Foundation, Youth Service America, American Red Cross and Citizen Corps.

To register your confidential, nonbinding intention to join the effort, go to [www.MyGoodDeed.org](http://www.MyGoodDeed.org).

There are many ways people can help. The key is to perform at least one good deed that helps another person or persons in need.