

2026 CROSS-PAC SERVICE WEEK



Calling all US Public Health Service officers, family, and friends!

WHEN:
8-14 NOV 2026

Please join us for Cross-PAC Service Week, a week-long virtual service event dedicated to supporting our local communities in honor of Veterans Day. Throughout the week, you can take part in service activities such as donating blood, supporting environmental conservation efforts, mentoring youth, volunteering at food banks, or serving at shelters etc. Consider joining volunteer opportunities organized by your local Commissioned Officers Association (COA) branch or Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) unit.



WHERE:

Any local cause or see suggestions below.

EVENT DETAILS:

Spirit wear only and event photos are highly encouraged. Please note that some organizations may restrict photography. Consent forms are required for any photos featuring civilians or minors.

EVENT SUBMISSIONS:

To record your service event, please fill out [this survey](#) no later than **20 NOV 2026**.

QUESTIONS:

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Presented by the Engineer Professional Advisory Committee (EPAC) Events Subcommittee

LOCAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Connect with your [local COA branch](#) president for volunteer opportunities near you.
- The [Medical Reserve Corps \(MRC\)](#) is comprised of roughly 300,000 volunteers across the US and its territories, organized into community-based MRC units. To find MRC volunteer opportunities:
 1. Select “Find the Unit Nearest You.”
 2. Use the GIS map to identify a unit near where you live or work.
 3. Email the listed point of contact with your interest to join the MRC unit and volunteer.
 4. After registration, you will receive communications on upcoming local unit engagement activities.
- The [American Red Cross](#) mission is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. The Red Cross [Become a Volunteer page](#) provides information on how to volunteer locally and sign up for their most-needed positions. You can also [search for a local Red Cross Chapter](#) or [blood drive](#) near you.
- [HOSA – Future Health Professionals](#) equips the next generation of public health and medical professionals. This [resource page](#) includes ideas for service projects and volunteer opportunities in your local community.
- The [Points of Light](#) mission is to inspire, equip, and mobilize people to take action that changes the world. Points of Light provides information on [opportunities for volunteers](#), including a [search engine](#) to find events in your local community.
- [National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster](#) (NVOAD) promotes cooperation, communication, coordination, and collaboration, and fosters more effective delivery of services to communities affected by disaster. NVOAD, as well as local/state VOADs, and local/state Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD), provides information on how to get started with member or partner organizations who may have local opportunities outside of disasters. For example, NVOAD’s [How to Volunteer page](#) provides a list of NVOAD members and ways to get started.
- [Soldier’s Angels](#) provides aid, comfort, and resources to the Military, Veterans, and their families. You can [register to volunteer](#) for both virtual and in-person opportunities.
- The mission of the [National Park Service](#) (NPS) is to preserve and protect our national parks. Join [Volunteer-In-Parks](#) to support the NPS and find a [volunteer opportunity](#) near you.