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The City of Pensacola and Escambia County Officials Recognize Local Volunteers

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Tuesday afternoon, Mayor of Pensacola, Ashton Hayward, Mayor of Century, Henry Hawkins, and District 4 Commissioner, Grover Robinson (on behalf of Escambia County Commissioners) proclaimed April 3 as National Service Recognition Day. United Way of Escambia County was joined in celebrating the dedication and selfless service of local Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) volunteers by BRACE, the City of Pensacola Government, Council on Aging of West Florida, representatives from CNCS, Gulf Coast Kid's House, Pensacola State College, Sue Straughn, Publix, University of West Florida and more.

“Volunteerism has been a vital part of our nation since its inception but it all starts locally,” said Commissioner Grover C. Robinson. “We could not have the quality of life we enjoy in Escambia County and the City of Pensacola without the work provided by volunteers. Escambia County appreciates all the work provided to our community by our citizen volunteers and we wish to recognize those individuals for their service and the improvements they make to our county.”

“Due to the Tornado that struck Century two years ago, volunteers have been even more so in great demand,” Mayor Hawkins added. “We are truly blessed to have so many generous people in our community.”

After the proclamation was delivered, attendees had the opportunity to become an active volunteer by completing a service project for Gulf Coast Kid’s House From Blue to Better Campaign, a regional movement to raise awareness about child abuse prevention.

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By living core values of serving the community with Integrity, Leadership, Inclusiveness, Volunteerism and Excellence (I LIVE), United Way of Escambia County is working to meet a mission of uniting our community and leveraging resources to improve lives.

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