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**The National Council of Columbia Associations of Civil Service, Inc.**  
**( TheNationalCouncil.com )**  
**Joins With President Bush's Council on Service and Civic Participation to**  
**Deliver President's Volunteer Service Award**  
*Prestigious Award Honors Outstanding Commitment to Volunteer Service*

New York, NY – **The National Council of Columbia Associations of Civil Service, Inc.** ( **TheNationalCouncil.com** ) A 33 year old non – for - profit ( 501 ( c ) 3 umbrella group of **Italian – American Organizations, representing Civil Service across the United States.** **Approximately 120,000 members,** today announced it has teamed with the White House to become a Certifying Organization for the **PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD**, a national program recognizing Americans who have demonstrated a sustained commitment to volunteer service. Established in 2003, the **AWARD** was created by President George W. Bush to give Presidential recognition to individuals, families and groups who meet requirements for volunteer service, measured by the number of service hours performed over 12-months.

**The National Council of Columbia Associations of Civil Service, Inc.** is one of thousands of organizations that have joined forces to deliver the **PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD** and honor the volunteers who strengthen our Nation. As a Certifying Organization for the **AWARD**, **The National Council of Columbia Associations of Civil Service, Inc.** is responsible for verifying service hours, nominating potential recipients and delivering the **AWARD**.

“We are extremely proud to recognize our most outstanding volunteers with the **PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD**,” said **Joseph A. Guagliardo, President / CEO**. “**The National Council of Columbia Associations of Civil Service, Inc.** volunteers are role models in our community, donating their time, energy and talent to bring us closer together as neighbors and a Nation. The **AWARD** is our way of thanking these volunteers and inspiring everyone in our community to make volunteering a central part of their lives.”

“Even if you've never volunteered before, the **PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD** is within your reach,” **Joseph A. Guagliardo** said. “There are so many ways to contribute, and every volunteer hour makes a difference in improving the quality of life for others. We encourage everyone to get involved and to bring along your family, friends and neighbors. Together, we can strengthen America – one hour at a time.”

The **AWARD** is issued by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation, a group convened by President George W. Bush to help foster and encourage a culture of volunteer service and civic participation among Americans. Chaired by two-time Super Bowl Champion Darrell Green, with former U.S. Senators Bob Dole and John Glenn as honorary co-chairs, the Council is composed of leaders in government, media, entertainment, business, education, nonprofit and volunteer service organizations and community volunteering.

For more information about volunteering with **The National Council of Columbia Associations of Civil Service, Inc.** 718 554 6114, **TheNationalCouncil.com** -

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