## Please donate during the Combined Federal Campaign

Because we are federal employees, letter carriers can make charitable donations through the world's largest annual workplace giving program, the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC).

Pledges made by donors during the campaign season—Sept. 1 to Dec. 15— support through paycheck deductions eligible non-profit organizations chosen by the donor.

"Letter carriers are strong supporters of charitable work, and the CFC is a great way to give," NALC President Fredric Rolando said.

Carriers can choose the charity or group of charities they want to support from a list of 2,063 eligible charities. An amount you choose will be deducted from your paycheck each pay period and automatically sent to each charity.

"If a lot of members give even a little bit," Rolando said, "you can bet the organizations you support will notice, because the steady support of millions of CFC participants combined makes a huge impact on their ability to help people and do good things all through the year."

All letter carriers can participate in the CFC. Rolando sent his annual reminder in September asking NALC members to contribute money through the CFC in addition to the other ways they support the ircommunities.

"Throughout the year, we help our communities by collecting food, providing clothing, mentoring children and looking after those who are vulnerable," Rolando wrote. "We must continue to be good citizens by involving ourselves in these and other community efforts. But, it should not end there. The Combined Federal Campaign gives us an easy way to contribute money through payroll deductions to the charities we care about."

Rolando asked letter carriers to consider supporting three particular charities: the Postal Employees' Relief Fund (PERF), the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) and United Way Worldwide.

**PERF** provides financial support to postal employees whose homes are damaged or destroyed by natural disasters. The charity is run by the four postal employee unions and three management organizations, whose members support PERF through voluntary donations. PERF grants money to homeowners and renters alike to help with deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses that insurance claims don't cover, and to assist with replacement of lost property and temporary housing. Information and applications for PERF assistance can be found on its website, postalrelief.com.

**MDA** is NALC's official charity. It is the world's leading non-profit health organization sponsoring research into the causes of, and effective treatments for, neuromuscular diseases. MDA research grants support more than 250 research projects worldwide, as well as camps and activities for children who have one of these diseases. For more information, go to mdausa.org.

**United Way Worldwide** is the leadership and support organization for the network of nearly 1,800 communitybased United Ways in 40 countries and territories. The United Way's focus is creating community-based and community-led solutions that strengthen the cornerstones for a good quality of life: education, financial stability and health. For more information, go to unitedway.org. **PR** 



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 During this year's Combined Federal Campaign, please consider making a donation to the Postal Employees Relief Fund (PERF), the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) – NALC's official charity – or directly to the United Way.

I know that the times we live in continue to challenge us on many fronts. But I also know that when we take action to make a difference and to join our individual efforts, we improve lives and create better communities. Those were for wore drive work delivations the mail and those was in advance for

Thank you for your daily work delivering the mail, and thank you in advance for ensuring this year's campaign is successful.

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## Lyerly appointed Region 9 RAA

ALC President Fredric Rolando has appointed West Coast Florida Branch 1477 member Don Lyerly as a regional administrative assistant (RAA) for NALC Region 9,

which serves letter carriers in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. Lyerly began representing the NALC as a shop steward in 1996, and since then has served in vari-



ous positions, including arbitration advocate, Branch 1477 executive vice president, president of Fort Myers, FL Branch 2072 and district chairman for the Florida State Association of Letter Carriers. Most recently, Lyerly served as a primary Dispute Resolution Team member. He graduated from Leadership Academy Class 7 in 2009. His appointment is effective Sept. 26. **PR**