

# Resource Center

## Tools and training for volunteer and service programs

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### Volunteer and Staff Recognition Resources

Contact the library at [rc-library@etr.org](mailto:rc-library@etr.org) or 800-860-2684 x260 to borrow items.

#### **77 Ways to Recognize Volunteers (R3258)**

Presents a variety of techniques to help make volunteers feel appreciated and valued for their work. Learn new ways to make the volunteer work environment fun, discover how to match the rewards to the person, and gather ideas for simple, affordable, yet thoughtful gifts. Each page has a ready-to-use idea that will inspire acts of recognition and praise as well as aid in increasing volunteer retention.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R3258>

#### **1001 Rewards and Recognition Fieldbook: The Complete Guide (R3396)**

Comprehensive guide for rewarding and recognizing individuals, teams, and organizations. Features hundreds of examples, case studies, and proven techniques from successful programs. Includes assessments, worksheets, checklists, reference cards, and "best practice" templates that can be customized.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R3396>

#### **Count On Me! 501 Ideas on Retaining, Recognizing and Rewarding Volunteers (R3800)**

Offers ways to achieve greater success in gaining and maintaining volunteer numbers. Get ideas for designing a recognition program that will maximize your volunteer retention rate, avoid all the problems of disruptive volunteer turnover, create truly personalized recognition and rewards for volunteers, discover new and creative ways to say thank you, produce magical and memorable recognition events, and more. See also Count Me In! 501 Ideas on Recruiting Volunteers (R3329).

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R3800>

#### **Sharing Moments of Recognition Every Day! Dispelling the Many Myths About Recognition (R3721)**

Contains hundreds of creative and fun ideas, suggestions, and forms for carrying out recognition activities. Organized around a journal format to allow volunteer managers to track their own activities and thoughts on appreciation and recognition. Includes heartwarming examples and stories as well as uplifting quotes.

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#### **Recognizing Volunteers and Paid Staff: The Art, the Science and a Gazillion Ideas! (R2723)**

Presents hundreds of recognition ideas gleaned from the author's 20+ years of experience interacting with hundreds of program leaders who offer creative recognition. Provides a clearer understanding of the art and science of reward, which will allow readers to continue to create new ways to say "thank you."

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**Joy of Recognition: Designing and Implementing a Successful Recognition Program (R2781)**

Describes how to create a positive work environment by implementing employee recognition programs. Recognition practice is explained, and examples from corporate settings are provided.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R2781>

**Beyond Banquets, Plaques and Pins: Creative Ways to Recognize Volunteers and Staff! (R0886)**

Examines motivational theories which meet individual needs of recognition. Discusses recognition as it relates to organizational climate and management.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R0886>

**365 Ways to Motivate and Reward Your Employees Every Day: With Little or No Money (R3395)**

Provides hundreds of simple and inexpensive ways to motivate, challenge, and reward employees. Contains real-life, proven examples and case studies from actual companies that can be put to use immediately. Includes sample motivation and performance questionnaires, FAQs, and a monthly motivation calendar.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R3395>

**101 Ways to Reward Team Members for \$20 (or Less!) (R3397)**

Contains over a hundred innovative ways to reward team members for just a few dollars. Provides useful guidelines about finding the right reward, figuring out the right way to present it, and determining the right reasons to give it. Includes an examination of the ways in which rewarding is controversial and compares team rewards to individual rewards.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R3397>

**Make Their Day! Employee Recognition That Works (R3398)**

Uses real-life examples to demonstrate that integrating recognition into the daily work routine is the most effective way to reward employees. Explains why most recognition efforts miss the mark, what employers and employees each expect from recognition, and how to give morale and productivity a genuine, lasting boost. Identifies the key elements of effective recognition and shows how to develop and utilize recognition practices that are both meaningful and practical.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/R3398>

**Celebrate Living: Volunteer Recognition (V1007)**

Inspirational video that contains suggestions and reminders for how to live a fulfilling and meaningful life. Based on the phrases in "Life's Little Instruction Book" (R3487). Available in VHS and DVD format. 4:15 minutes.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/V1007>

**Chicken Soup for the Volunteer's Soul: Stories to Celebrate the Spirit of Courage, Caring and Community (M2691)**

A collection of true stories highlighting the efforts of everyday people who volunteer with the American Red Cross, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Habitat for Humanity, the Peace Corps, Points of Light, Rotary and many other nonprofit organizations. Most entries end with information on how readers can become involved in the volunteering organization described.

<http://nationalserviceresources.org/library/items/M2691>