



Goal

The goal of this project is to give FCCLA members the opportunity to help their community by actively working to help service members, their families, and all that are affected by their absence.

Basis

Our military personnel provide for our safety and risk their lives in service to our great country. Since FCCLA's main focus is the family and Ohio is the heart of it all; the State Executive Council has designed this project to assist the military personnel, their families, and veterans in our state.

Facts

Did you know that...

- The phrase "military personnel" includes anyone that is currently on active duty.
- The term "veteran" includes anyone that has ever been on active duty.
- All branches of the military are considered personnel.

How to Enlist Excellence

Level 1: Create a single project to help a military family, personnel, or veterans.

Level 2: Adopt a military family, personnel, or veteran for an extended period of time.

Project Ideas

- Have family meetings on what would happen if your parents or siblings were called up.
- Baby-sit for families of Active Duty personnel.
- Make a yellow ribbon for each student to represent those on active duty.
- Write Thank-you letters to someone that has served or is currently serving our country.
- Get a care package together for local troops.
- Put up a Facts & Faces flyer and/or a Hometown Heroes flyer.
- Find out what a company does when an employee goes onto active duty.
- Take the time to thank other local heroes that are part of other careers including the fire department, EMS, and/or the Police Department.
- Participate in a fundraiser for Honor Flight
- Educate students about the different roles in the service



2011 Partnerships

Ohio National Guard (www.ohionationalguard.com)

- Ohio Red Ribbon campaign is supported by the guard to provide drug-free messages across Ohio schools
- Higher Ground program - sponsored by the guard; program based on Character Counts
- Adopt a School - guard members work as mentors and tutors and provide other services for local schools

Honor Flight (www.honorflight.org)

- Primary Objective: Transport America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices.
- Helping every single veteran in America, willing and able of getting on a plane or a bus, visit their memorial.

American Legion of Ohio (www.ohioamericanlegion.org)

- Primary objective to assist veterans, widows and orphans with claims to Veterans Administration
- Provide "Gifts for Yanks" - collects money to purchase gifts for hospitalized Ohio veterans at Christmas and mid summer
- Provides scholarships for children of legionnaires
- Sponsors and maintains contact with Boys Clubs of America, 4-H clubs and Boy Scouts of America
- Provides flag information
- Sponsors Buckeye Boys State

Veteran's Day- November 11, 2011

Celebrate in your own community

Hold a community breakfast for all veterans in your community

Plan a school assembly

Web Sites

www.americasupportsyoud.com/americanasupportsyoud/index.aspx

www.soldierangels.com

www.adoptaplatoon.org/new

www.troopanmail.net

www.honorflight.org