

As we begin the 2012 Combined Federal Campaign, I want to thank each one of our Federal employees for their generous contributions in previous campaigns. Your generosity has made a tremendous impact in our local community, across the nation and around the world helping those less fortunate improving their lives. With your support the CFC has been able to raised money every year to provide much needed assistance and services to thousands of people. In many instances, the services provided meant the difference between life and death. This year's campaign suggests giving one hour's wages each month to the charity of your choices. This is an opportunity for us, as Federal employees, to serve our nation together.

To find more information about how you can make a difference in someone's life, please join me on October 17 at 10:00 am in the lobby of Building 545, Oak Ridge Turn Pike for the 2012 CFC kick-off event. This year we are opening the campaign with a guest speaker, Mr. Alex A. "Bo" Shafer, Jr. Mr. Shafer, a former UT football player, graduated in 1960 from the University of Tennessee with a major in Business. He is currently the President/Owner of Shafer Insurance Agency. Mr. Shafer co-founded Big Brothers/Big Sisters in Knoxville, and has served as Co-Chairman of Capital Campaigns for United Way, Salvation Army, McNabb Children and Youth Center, Children's Hospital Emergency Room, Knoxville Harvest, and the Ronald McDonald House. These are just a few of the many contributions Mr. Shafer has made to our local community and charities.

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