



Proclamation
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO
Recognizing National Volunteer Week
April 18-24, 2021

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was established by executive order in 1974 to celebrate the efforts of volunteers, and since that time every sitting U.S. president has issued a proclamation during National Volunteer Week; and

WHEREAS, volunteers strengthen our community by generously donating their time, energy, and talents to make a difference in the lives of those around us, often with few resources or any expectation of gain in return; and

WHEREAS, volunteers provide vital support to multiple County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency programs including, but not limited to, Animal Services, Long Term Care Ombudsman, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Behavioral Health Services, Public Health Nursing, Senior Activities, Senior Nutrition, Senior Peer Counseling, Senior Shuttle, Adult Day Services, Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program, Social Services Programs, and the You Are Not Alone Telephone Reassurance Program; and

WHEREAS, more than 600 volunteers provide over 22,000 hours annually to support these programs through activities such as entertaining senior day care members, congregate and home delivery meal service for older adults, reassurance calls to older adults living alone, providing support to at-risk older adults, assisting at the Behavioral Health Wellness Center, exercising and socializing animals, cleaning shelter kennels, driving older adults to grocery shop and other social events, helping older adults understand and enroll in Medicare, assisting with flu clinics, and receiving complaints regarding long term care facilities just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic caused challenges for programs that utilize volunteers; Animal Services staff are grateful and fortunate to have supportive volunteers who continued to assist shelter staff in providing socialization and homes for the animals in the animal shelter and other needed service; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are an essential component to the success of many services provided throughout the County and the efforts of all the volunteers are greatly appreciated and valued; and

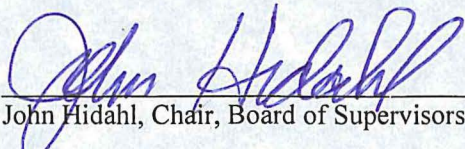
NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors recognize the week of April 18 through April 24, 2021, as National Volunteer Week and formally thank those that volunteer their time and energy to support and improve the community.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 20th day of April, 2021, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest:

Kim Dawson
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: 
Deputy Clerk


John Hidahl, Chair, Board of Supervisors