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Q: What is the President's Volunteer Service Award?

A: The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) was founded in 2003 by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. It is to recognize the important role of volunteers and honors individuals whose service positively impacts communities in every corner of the nation.

Q: Who can award the PVSA?

A: Led by the AmeriCorps and managed in partnership with Points of Light, this program allows Certifying Organizations to recognize their most exceptional volunteers.

The Medway Village Food Pantry is a Certifying Organization.



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Q: Who can receive the President's Volunteer Service Award?

- A:**
- United States citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States (i.e., green card holder)
 - Must be at least five years old
 - Completes eligible service within a 12-month period (September 1 - August 31).

*MVFP only certifies hours for Teens, Young Adults, and Adults.

Q: How many hours are required to earn awards in each age group?

A:

Age Group	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Lifetime Achievement Award
Kids (5-10 years old)	26-49 hours	50-74 hours	75+ hours	4,000+ hours
Teens (11-15)	50-74 hours	75-99 hours	100+ hours	4,000+ hours
Young Adults (16-25)	100-174 hours	175-249 hours	250+ hours	4,000+ hours
Adults (26+)	100-249 hours	250-499 hours	500+ hours	4,000+ hours



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Q: Has MVFP ever awarded a PVSA?

A: Yes! In October 2021, we awarded seven of our teen volunteers with President's Volunteer Service Awards in recognition of their tremendous service to our food pantry. We also presented a Lifetime Achievement Award to Marilyn Conley, who founded the food pantry over 20 years ago.

Q: What is the benefit of earning the President's Volunteer Service Award?

A: The President's Volunteer Service Award is a prestigious national honor that highlights your commitment to serving the community and the nation. This award not only improves your college resume, but also allows you to inspire others to follow in your footsteps – to contribute to their communities through volunteer service and to make volunteer service a central part of their lives.