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Voluntarism Commemorative Stamp

A 20-cent commemorative stamp recognizing the role volunteers play in the growth and development of the United States will be issued April 20 in Washington, D. C., during National Volunteer Week. The first day of issue ceremony will be held at The White House.

More and more Americans are giving the gift of self each year. According to a survey by the Gallup Organization. In 1981 alone approximately 84 million Americans donated a significant portion of their time as volunteers. People volunteer for a variety of reasons. Some donate their time and energy to worthwhile causes and projects because they feel a need to help the less fortunate, others because they want to make a change in some aspect of society, and still others because they welcome the opportunity of being a contributing member of a group or a community.

Procedures for ordering first day of issue cancellations are as follows:

Customers are urged to buy stamps and affix them to their own covers. All covers must be addressed on the right side at least 5/8 of an inch up from the bottom. Insert a filler in each envelope and mail them by May 20 to: Customer-Affixed Envelopes, Postmaster, Washington, DC 20066-9991. There is no charge.

The Postal Service will affix stamps when requested to do so. Mail orders by May 20 to: Voluntarism Stamp, Postmaster, Washington, DC 20066-9992. The cost is 20 cents per stamp to be affixed. Personal checks in the exact amount will be accepted for orders up to the limit of 50 covers. Do not send cash. Postage stamps are unacceptable as payment.



After local stocks of the item are depleted, it will be available from all Philatelic Centers and by mail order from the Philatelic Sales Division for approximately one year after the date of issue. A *Philatelic Catalog*, listing all available stamps and other philatelic items, is available here or from the Philatelic Sales Division, Washington, DC 20265-9997.

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