



State Farm® Recognized with Junior Achievement Bronze U.S. President's Volunteer Service Award

State Farm Junior Achievement volunteers provide positive role models for local students and encourage community service

Bloomington, Ill, March 6, 2013 - State Farm was presented with a 2011-2012 Junior Achievement USA (JA) Bronze U.S. President's Volunteer Service Award for providing the organization with significant volunteer resources during the year. As a corporate contributor since 1995, State Farm financially supported 56 different JA affiliates at the local level and State Farm associates nationally volunteered with 80 different JA affiliates with more than 5,000 volunteer hours from 2011 to 2012.

"State Farm associates have a proud history of community involvement and volunteerism," said Kevin McKay, Senior Vice President, State Farm. "Junior Achievement has been a long part of that history because of its focus – preparing our students for the workplace, encouraging entrepreneurship and providing an early foundation for financial literacy. Because that focus aligns so well with what our associates believe in, it makes for a great partnership."

President George W. Bush established the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation (the Council) in 2003 to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers make in communities and encourage more people to serve. The Council created the President's Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service. In 2006, Junior Achievement became an official certifying organization for this award, which also recognizes corporations with a U.S. presence that provide volunteers to teach JA programs anywhere in the world.

State Farm is one of only 33 JA corporate partners to be honored with a President's Volunteer Service Award this year. The entire list of recipients is located [here](#).

"Junior Achievement volunteers play a key role in bringing Junior Achievement to life. By sharing their personal and professional experiences and skills with students in their communities, volunteers help young people to make a connection between what they are learning in school and what they will need to succeed in work and life. In so doing, they support students, their local communities and America's economic competitiveness," said Jack E. Kosakowski, president and CEO of Junior Achievement USA. "The U.S. President's Volunteer Service Award is an outstanding way to acknowledge State Farm and its employee-volunteers, who demonstrate a commitment to their communities and encourage others to make volunteering a priority."

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About Junior Achievement USA® (JA)

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their future, and make smart academic and economic choices. JA programs are delivered by corporate and community volunteers, and provide relevant, hands-on experiences that give students from kindergarten through high school knowledge and skills in financial literacy, work readiness and entrepreneurship. Today, JA reaches 4.2 million students per year in more than 120 markets across the United States, with an additional 5.8 million students served by operations in 120 other countries worldwide. Visit www.ja.org for more information.

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