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Have You Hugged Your Public Service Worker Today?

County shares services available during National Public Service Recognition Week

Since May 1985, [Public Service Recognition Week](#) is time set aside to honor the men and women who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees and ensure that our government is the best in the world. This year, [Charleston County Government](#) is joining the effort. County staff will have booths set up in the Public Services Building (4045 Bridge View Drive in North Charleston) May 5-9 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to answer questions from the public and share details on services provided.

Agenda for National Public Service Recognition Week:

- Monday, May 5: [Charleston Center \(Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services\)](#)
- Tuesday, May 6: Teaching children how and when to call 9-1-1 ([Consolidated 9-1-1 Center](#))
- Wednesday, May 7: [Recycling](#)
- Thursday, May 8: [Mosquito Control Program](#)
- Friday, May 9: [Composting](#) and CSA (Community Supported Agriculture). Representatives from Legare Farms and Rosebank Farms will be present (Rosebank Farms uses compost created and sold by Charleston County in their farming operations). [Charleston County's Environmental Management](#) staff will be present to show people a sample of the compost.



"Now more than ever, our employees are being asked to do more with less while tackling increasingly complex issues for the Lowcountry," said [Charleston County Administrator Kurt Taylor](#). "I want them to know that I value their dedication, and I hope the public will take time this week to learn how hard they work for the citizens of our County and will join me in thanking them for all that they do."

Also during Public Service Recognition Week, [County Council Chairman Teddie E. Pryor, Sr.](#) will visit employees in a number of departments to thank them personally.

"I have had the pleasure of witnessing firsthand County employees' remarkable contributions and achievements," Pryor said. "Even during these difficult times, they continue working to find innovative solutions for the County. Their hard work does not go unnoticed."

Background on National Public Service Recognition Week (Source: <http://publicservicerecognitionweek.org/>)
May 4–10, 2014

- Celebrated the first week of May since 1985, Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW) is time set aside to honor the men and women who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees and ensure that our government is the best in the world.
- The theme for PSRW 2014 is Proud to Serve. We encourage government employees and leaders alike to take the opportunity to communicate the benefits and value of the work they do. To help spread the word, like us on [Facebook](#) and join the conversation on Twitter: [#PSRW](#) and [#Proud2ServeUSA](#).
- PSRW is organized annually by the [Public Employees Roundtable \(PER\)](#) and its member organizations. PER will kick off PSRW 2014 with its second annual [Public Service 5K run/walk](#) in Washington, D.C. Other feature events in Washington include a [public town hall meeting](#) with Cabinet secretaries, a [Washington Nationals baseball game](#) and a congressional breakfast to announce the finalists of the [Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals](#).
- Throughout the country, mayors, governors, agency leaders, communities and public service organizations participate in PSRW by issuing proclamations; hosting award ceremonies and special tribute events; and delivering messages about the value of public service.
- Public servants deserve our thanks throughout the year and we invite you to continue honoring them for the work they do each and every day. Ideas range from sending messages of thanks to holding appreciation events to highlighting employee accomplishments on your website or newsletter. For additional suggestions, please download our [How to Celebrate PSRW Guide](#).

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