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## Holloman volunteers donate over 20,000 hours to local communities

**HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, N.M.** – Holloman Air Force Base recently recognized 117 active-duty members and federal civilians for volunteering a combined total of 20,240 volunteer service hours to several causes on and off base.

Between January 1 and December 31, 2024, Team Holloman volunteers generously devoted their time to help save lives, improve our schools, aide the elderly, assist those stricken by tragedy, augment medical care takers, and coach our youth. Their efforts resulted in savings to the installation and the surrounding communities of \$681,168!!

Twenty-eight individuals received a certificate of appreciation for completing up to 49 hours of service totaling 608 volunteer service hours. Twenty-one individuals were awarded a red ribbon medal for completing between 50 to 99 hours for a combined total of 1,284 volunteer service hours. Thirty-two people were awarded a white ribbon medal for 100 to 199 hours totaling 4,457 volunteer service hours.

Blue ribbon medals, the highest honor, were given to 37 people for devoting 200 or more hours of their free time to various causes totaling 13,991 hours!

In addition, Mrs. Ashely Wolfe with the 49<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, and Mrs. Scharneka T. James with the 49<sup>th</sup> Force Support Squadron, were the recipients of the Holloman Volunteer Excellence Award. This distinguished award recognizes federal civilians, family members, military retirees or federal retirees who perform outstanding volunteer community service of a sustained, direct and consequential nature.

All of these volunteers embody one of the Air Force's core values of Service Before Self. The 49th Wing is proud and thankful for their selfless dedication that has helped so many people and organizations at Holloman and in the surrounding communities.

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