

# ALTUS AFB COMMUNITY UPDATE



The 2015 Combined Federal Campaign is scheduled to begin Oct. 9 and end Nov. 16 at Altus AFB. The mission of the campaign is to support and promote philanthropy through a voluntary, employee focused, cost-efficient and effective program that provides federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all.

According to the 2015 CFC brochure, the campaign is the only authorized federal solicitation on behalf of approved charitable organizations and is the largest and most successful workplace philanthropic fundraiser in the world.

“It gives military and civilian personnel the chance to give back to the community,” said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Tobey Zicopula, a wing point of contact for the CFC. “It’s a way to know who you’re giving to and how much money is actually

going to the cause, as opposed to donating to commercial groups or someone on the street where you might not know how the money is actually being used.”

There are more than 20,000 charities available through the CFC and they are broken down into many different categories including, but not limited to: arts, education, animal related, health care, mental health and crisis intervention, medical research, crime and legal research, housing and shelter, recreation and sports, science and technology and religion-related.

“A misconception I’ve noticed with the CFC is that people think it’s mandatory, but it’s not,” said Zicopula. Read more at <http://1.usa.gov/1X35si7>

## Base Happenings

**Oct. 20, 11:30 - 1 p.m.** – Is your stress level getting to the breaking point and you need some help getting it under control? Register for the Stress management Lunch and Learn by calling 580-481-5647.

**Oct. 22, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.** – There will be a deployed family dinner and pumpkin carving contest at the Freedom Community Center. To register call 580-481-6761

**Oct. 24, 7 p.m.** – The U.S. Air Force Tops In Blue will be performing a free concert open to the public at the Altus City Auditorium. For more information call 580-481-6600.

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