

## Maryland Charity Campaign

### “We Are All Connected”

**Hero:** A person admired for his/her achievements, a person that displays great courage or the central figure in an event, period or movement.

**Heroism:** Heroic conduct especially as exhibited in fulfilling a high purpose or attaining a noble end. Having or displaying the qualities of a hero.

This is your chance to become a hero. Hero you say, (read the definitions above) yes you can become a hero, by donating a few dollars you will be impacting people’s lives in a positive manner. By your action of giving a donation, you could very well be saving a life. No, you don’t have to run into a burning building nor do you have to jump into a raging river to save a life. Although these two examples are examples of a heroic act, they are extreme. An example less extreme is simply by filling out a MCC pledge card and donating a few dollars a pay or writing a check or even just giving a few dollars in cash. Those few dollars given accumulative exponentially when added with the thousands of other state employee’s donations and these dollars will improve the quality of life for thousands of people here in Maryland and across the nation. Battered abuse women and children, the homeless, the illiterate, displaced families from natural disasters to name a few, can have their lives significantly improved with a little help from us all. Your unselfishness is conduct that is fulfilling a high purpose or attaining a noble end. And, **that my friends is a definition of a hero!**

**So, become a hero today, please fill out your pledge cards today and make a difference in the life or lives of those less fortunate. And, when you do, then go stand in front of as mirror and see what a true hero looks like.**