# 2024 National Campaign Summit premier Calendar



#### Follow this calendar to help you earn premier status in 2024!

To qualify for premier status, activities must be held between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31. Reports for all activities must be received by Feb. 1. At a minimum, chapters must successfully host the following activities to earn premier:

- 1 Matching Fund project
- 1 Hometown Hero
- 1 Educational event
- 1 Service projects
- 5 Community days
- 1 Chapter board report

Notes: No more than two late reports will be counted toward premier status. • A report is considered late if received more than 30 days past the event date. • Your chapter can hold a maximum of three activities in one month. • Postcards will NOT be required for chapter events. • Event requests must be submitted at least 7 days in advance.

Participate in the 2024 national campaign Wild About Animals and you could win prizes! See the special activities for each quarter.

#### **January**

#### **National Soup Month**

• Community Day: Soup's On!

January is National Soup Month. Gather with members and enjoy a variety of favorite soups. Ask members to bring cans of soup to donate to a local food pantry.

At the event, ask members to create 2024 chapter resolutions. Ask your members to share their chapter goals for the year.

• **Board meeting:** Plan the year's activities with your chapter board and submit your board report. Don't forget to include any chapter resolutions or ideas members suggested.

#### **February**

#### February 29 Leap Day

• Service project: Let's leap into action!

Take advantage of a bonus day this year and plan a service project. Share the gift of an extra day helping organizations in your community this month.

\*Extra impact: Consider donating to a local animal shelter.

## March (National Campaign)

• **Matching fund**: Go Wild for Animal Shelters
Host a Matching fund to support a local animal shelter or shelter initiative or sponsor a pet adoption.
Snap a picture of the new family addition with the "sponsored by" sign and/or branded pet bandanna.

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#### **April**

#### **National Volunteer Week April 14-20**

• Community day: Celebrate Your Chapter!

Bring members together to celebrate chapter accomplishments. Celebrate members' contributions, too. Share the impact the chapter has had or is having in your community.

\*Extra impact: Use some of your premier funds to provide a larger meal discount or to purchase a dessert. Add an educational component by reviewing the Do-Good Grant to those members who want to contribute their volunteerism with their family and friends.

## May (National Campaign)

• Educational event: Go Wild for Pets

Learn how to make dog treats or pet toys that can be taken home to member pets to enjoy or donated to a local shelter. Coordinate a dog training event for member pets and their guests. Host a "non-traditional" pet event where members can bring their unique pets to show other members and teach them how they are cared for.

#### June

#### **National Doughnut Day June 7**

Community day:

Plan a morning social at a local doughnut shop or bakery. Members can stop in for one of their favorites and spend time catching up with others.

• **Board meeting:** Consider a second board meeting to review your progress. You can revise your plans as needed.

### July (National Campaign)

• **Service project:** Go Wild for Service Animals

Donate bird houses or animal feeders to a library, park and rec., school, etc. or by placing the items in other city spaces. Partner with a school, library, park or other city space to plant butterfly or pollinator gardens. Help clean up an area river or stream to help aquatic life.

#### **August**

#### **American Family Day August 4**

• Community day: Family Day

Plan a family-friendly event. Picnic, parks, sports venues, bowling lanes and climbing walls are some options. Include fun activities for families, kids and grandkids to enjoy.

#### September

#### **National Food Bank Day Sept 6**

• Service project:

Plan to help a local food bank as they get ready to stock up for back to school and the winter months. Contact the pantry to see what is needed.

\*Extra impact: Ask if they accept hats, scarves, mittens, school supplies and other items you may not have thought of. Don't forget to check if they take pet food donations. Many individuals who access food banks may also be struggling to feed a pet.

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# October (National Campaign) Land Honor a quide dog, police

• **Hometown Hero:** Honor a guide dog, police dog, therapy dog, or animal that provides a service or an individual or organization that supports therapy animals.

#### **November**

• Extra Credit: National Campaign Review the suggested service and social projects in the national campaign activity guide.

#### December

Extra Credit: Community Day

With input from your members, select a cause to help meet a need. Think about working with an organization or group that you haven't worked with before. Service projects can be low or no cost events. Donating time and talents can make a huge impact in your community.

\* Extra impact: Use chapter Premier dollars to provide snacks for members to enjoy.