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**PRESIDENT BUSH TO RECOGNIZE EL PASO MAN
FOR DEDICATION TO VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

President George W. Bush will present the President's Volunteer Service Award to Dale Baugh when he arrives in El Paso, Texas, on Tuesday, November 29, 2005. Baugh is a volunteer with the El Paso Police Department. To thank them for making a difference in the lives of others, President Bush has met with over 450 individuals around the country, like Baugh, since March 2002.

Baugh has been a volunteer with the City of El Paso Police Department for three years and has contributed over 1,400 hours of volunteer service. He is responsible for overseeing the Citizens Police Academy, a 40-hour class offered to the residents of El Paso to create a better understanding between citizens and the police department. The classes cover the department's personnel, philosophies and procedures. Baugh also volunteers with the El Paso Police Department's Sex Offender Registration and Tracking Unit (SORT) in the Crimes Against Children section. He is responsible for updating and maintaining the computerized sex offender database.

In his January 2002 State of the Union Address, President Bush called on all Americans to make a difference in their communities through volunteer service. He created USA Freedom Corps, an Office of the White House, to strengthen and expand volunteer service. Americans are responding to the President's Call to Service. Studies show that approximately 5 million more Americans are volunteering today than just three years ago. Go to www.usafreedomcorps.gov or call 1-877-USA-CORPS to find an existing volunteer service opportunity in your area or to find more information about service programs, including national service programs such as the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and Citizen Corps. USA Freedom Corps is also highlighting youth volunteer service. Visit www.usafreedomcorpskids.gov for games and ideas designed to show how America's youth are making a difference.

The President's Volunteer Service Award was created at the President's direction by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. The Award is available to youth ages 14 and under who have completed 50 or more hours of volunteer service; to individuals 15 and older who have completed 100 or more hours; and to families or groups who have completed 200 or more hours. For more information about the Award, please visit www.presidentialserviceawards.gov.

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