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United States of America Pageants is honored to be a Certifying Organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award. This prestigious award furthers our Motto to Empower, Inspire, and Uplift and allows us to recognize our titleholders who are advocating for community service.

To qualify for this award, please see the below eligibility criteria and service regulations. Please submit your hours on the USOA PVSA Tracker located on the Delegate Portal and upload by **April 18, 2025**.

Qualification Period: April 19, 2024 - April 18, 2025.

Hours previously documented for returning titleholders during the 2024 USOA Qualification period will not count twice but can count for the Lifetime Achievement Award

Eligibility Criteria:

- United States citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States
- Completes eligible service within a 12-month period **April 19, 2024 - April 18, 2025** (for annual Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards) and over a lifetime (for Lifetime Achievement Awards)

Eligible Service:

- Unpaid acts of volunteer service benefiting others

Eligible Service does NOT include: (See FAQ Page for more details)

- Donating funds
- Political lobbying (Non-partisan voter registration is an eligible activity)
- Religious instruction
- Conducting worship service
- Proselytizing

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- Volunteer service performed as part of court-ordered community service
- Serving only family members

Hours Required to Earn Awards in Each Age Group

Age Group	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Lifetime Achievement Award
Kids (5–10 years old)	26–49 hours	50–74 hours	75+ hours	4,000+ hours
Teens (11–15)	50–74 hours	75–99 hours	100+ hours	4,000+ hours
Young Adults (16–25)	100–174 hours	175–249 hours	250+ hours	4,000+ hours
Adults (26+)	100–249 hours	250–499 hours	500+ hours	4,000+ hours

FAQs

Can I submit hours for events that already happened?

Yes, as long as they're within the 12 month period defined by USOA Pageants and the hours can be verified.

Are all volunteer hours accepted?

USOA Pageants reserves the right to deny any act of service we do not deem eligible for the PVSA.

If I'm eligible for an award, when will I receive it?

Awards will be presented at Nationals during Awards.

Do I need to pay for the award?

USOA Pageants will pay for the award package.

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Who is the USOA Pageants contact for the PVSA?

Tiffany Rivel is the contact point. Please email tiffany@unitedstatesofamericapageants.com
Additionally, you can visit the [PVSA website](#) for more information about the PVSA.

What if I have questions about certain hour eligibility?

Please reach out to Tiffany Rivel via email at tiffany@unitedstatesofamericapageants.com.

What counts and doesn't count as community service?

Your service must be unpaid acts for the benefit of others that are affiliated with a community or charitable organization. USOA Pageants reserves the right to deny any act of service we do not deem eligible for the PVSA.

Below is a list of examples that count/do not count. Please note this is not an exhaustive list of all events, but can be used as a guide when determining hours.

SERVICE TYPE	COUNTS	DOES NOT COUNT
Bell ringing for Salvation Army	X	
Community clean ups	X	
Volunteer Camp Counselor (limited to 8 hours per day)	X	
Charity walk (limited to 4 hours each)	X	
Sports team coach (limited to 2 hours each)	X	
Participating in parade		X
Time planning for an event		X
Attending meetings as a member		X
Travel to and from an event		X
Creating social media/marketing content		X

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<u>SERVICE TYPE</u>	<u>COUNTS</u>	<u>DOES NOT COUNT</u>
Fundraising (unless also volunteering time at event/booth for charitable organization)		X
Fundraising for members own organization		X
Donating items/donation drive (unless also volunteering time during drop off)		X
Donating money		X
Pageant Judge		X