



Dear Friends,

Today, as we celebrate National Non-Profit Day, I am reflecting on the millions of people across our country who have benefited from the mission-driven work of non-profit organizations in their communities. Whether as a beneficiary, an employee, a volunteer, or donor, our lives have been enhanced and connected through shared passion to elevate the human condition and to work together for better outcomes.

I have spent the majority of my career in non-profit work – with opportunities to witness brilliant, compassionate, and focused people work together for good, to create broader system change, or meet a basic human need in a moment in time.

Martin Luther King Jr. said, "Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve . . . You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love."

In honor of all those who have chosen to serve in the non-profit sector, today is a day to say thank you; your talent, passion, and investment in others is making a difference, and our communities are enriched as a result.

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