



President's Volunteer Service Award, PVSA

Chong De Volunteer Service Award, CDVSA

About the Award: For teens and young adults, receiving the President's Volunteer Service Award or the Chong De Volunteer Service Award will allow them to gain recognition and benefits, especially when applying to college. Also, through the guidance and training by the "Teen Tao Class" and other Tao classes, those who volunteer and participate will be the next generation of core members in the public temples and the Tao society as a whole.

Award Levels : Volunteers must complete the number of qualifying volunteer hours listed below to qualify for Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards.

Age	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Teens (11–15)	50 – 74	75 – 99	100 +
Young Adults (16-25)	100 – 174	175 – 249	250 +

Award Eligibility:

- To be eligible, volunteers need to be between 11 to 25 years old : (1) Volunteers who are between 11 to 17 years old are required to attend the "Teen Tao Class" for training. All volunteers must have an attendance of at least 50% in the Teen Tao Class for at least one year, which will be included in the total volunteer hours listed in the "Award Levels" section; (2) Volunteers between 18 to 25 years old are required to attend any or a combination of the official Tao classes in Chinese, English or other languages. All volunteers must have an attendance of at least 50% in one of the classes in those categories for at least one year, which will be included in the total volunteer hours listed in the "Award Levels" section.
 - For United States citizens or permanent residents, volunteers who achieved the number of certified hours listed will receive the President's Volunteer Service Award or PVSA, which includes an Award Pin, a Certificate and a congratulatory letter from the President of the United States.
 - For non-citizens or non-permanent residents, volunteers who achieve the number of certified hours listed will receive the Chong De Volunteer Service Award, or CDSA, which includes an Award Pin, Certificate and a congratulatory letter from Los Angeles Chong De Culture and Education Foundation.
- The awards are presented every year by the Fa Yi Chong De Responsible Transmitting Masters, representing Never Resting Bodhisattva, during early May at the Temple Host Training Classes.
- The award program is now open! Please register with the responsible lecturers of the Teen Tao Class to get the form to record the certified volunteer hours counted as follows:
 - Teen Tao Class: Weekly class, 3 hours each time; approximately 40 weeks per year
 - Spring Tao Seminar / Spring Camp: 2 days, 20 hours total
 - Summer Tao Seminar / Summer Camp: 2 days, 20 hours total
 - Winter Tao Seminar / Winter Camp: 2 days, 20 hours total
 - Teen Tao Class Volunteer Activities: hours depend on activity
 - Tao Classes in Chinese, English or other languages: hours depend on the hours of each class
 - Other Tao Events and Activities: hours depend on activity
 - External Volunteer Activities (done with any outside group other than the Chong De Tao Society):
 - Teens (11-15) cannot exceed 22 hours for Bronze or 30 hours for Silver and Gold of external volunteer hours.
 - Young Adults (16-25) cannot exceed 52 hours for Bronze or 75 hours for Silver and Gold of external volunteer hours.

