



Make a Difference Day

Hundreds of people in Visalia turned out during the annual Make a Difference Day to help clean up and beautify city parks and other areas.

Rep. Devin Nunes and staff members joined Golden West High School students at Blain Park in south east Visalia to paint benches and tables, as well as repair arbors.

The congressman and staff spent about three hours at the park along with the students.

Make a Difference Day is a nationwide effort that calls on residents to volunteer their time to do good works for the community.

"In many ways our quality of life is a product of the generous spirit of the residents of our communities," Rep. Nunes said.

"Whether its donating food and clothes, caring for the homeless or investing your time and talent in the lives of kids, volunteerism makes a difference wherever it is applied."

Rep. Devin Nunes' California staff From left to right, back row: Rep. Nunes, Bob Jennings, Nicky Henderson, Matt Rogers, Ed Galvan and Marge Risi. From left to right in the front row: John Gong, Justin Stoner, Melanie Swager and Johnny Amaral.

Nunes wins 'True Blue' award for family

Rep. Devin Nunes honored for his unwavering commitment to the family when the Family Research Council (FRC) awarded him with the annual "True Blue" award at a reception on Capitol Hill.

The award honors members of the House and Senate who have exhibited extraordinary leadership and dedication to the defense of family, faith, and freedom. According to FRC's new scorecard covering House and Senate votes during the 108th Congress, recipients of the award voted for prolife and pro-family issues on a variety of occasions. These votes included

- banning partial-birth abortion
- funding abstinence and marriage promotion programs
- preventing abortions in military hospitals
- encouraging faithbased initiatives
- calling for votes on President Bush's judicial nominees
- banning human cloning
- repealing the death tax

- prohibiting U.S. funding of international abortions
- promoting abstinence as part of global AIDS relief.

"The members of the 108th Congress who received this award have been consistent, stalwart allies of American families," said FRC President Tony Perkins.

"They are to be commended for their adherence to the belief that strong marriages and families are essential aspects of a resilient society."