

# CLEAN ENERGY

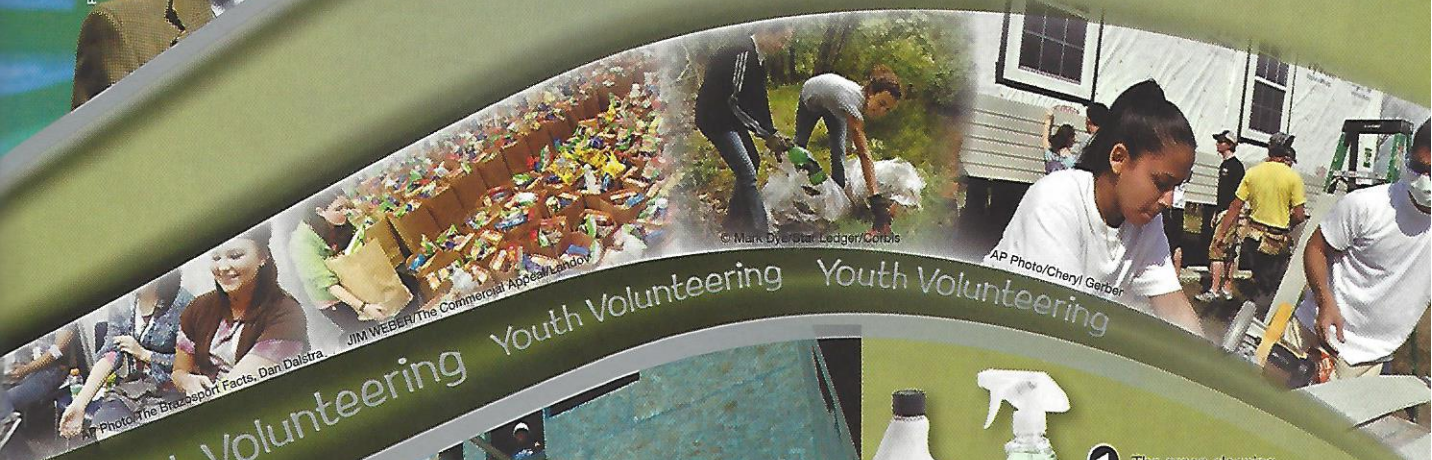
Photo by Ethan Miller/Getty Images

▶ In September, Google and General Electric partner to develop clean technologies. Modernizing the national electric grid to enable wider deployment of wind, solar and geothermal energy will be an early priority.



**Environmentally friendly MacBooks**

Courtesy of Apple, Inc.



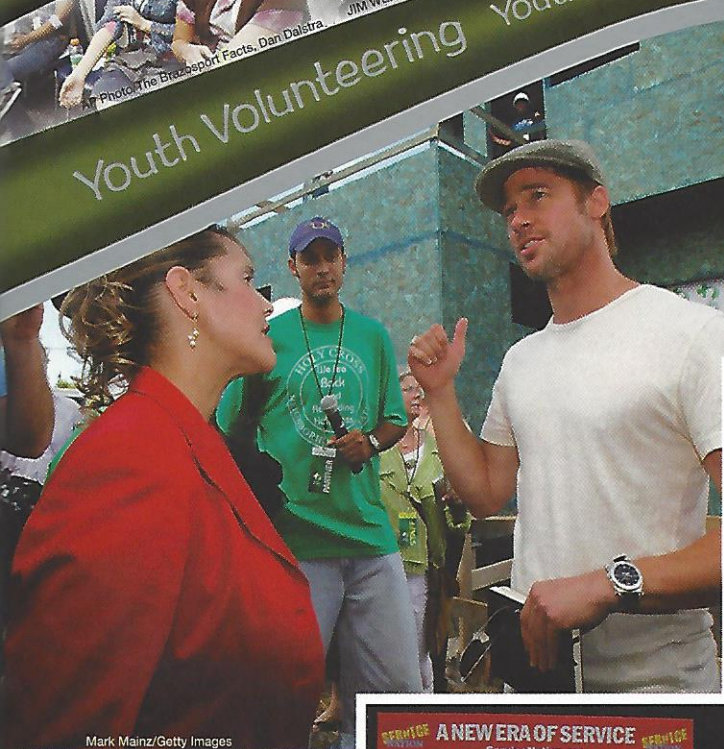
Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering Youth Volunteering

AP Photo/The Associated Press/Dan Dalstra

JIM WEBER/The Commercial Appeal/Leandro

© Mark Dyer/star Ledger/Corbis

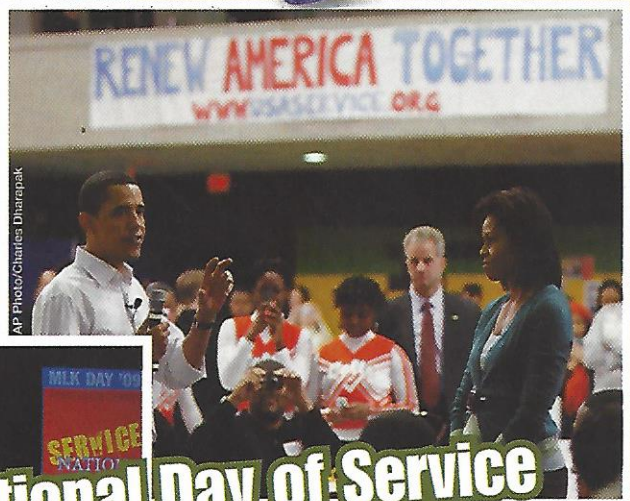
AP Photo/Cheryl Gerber



Mark Mainz/Getty Images

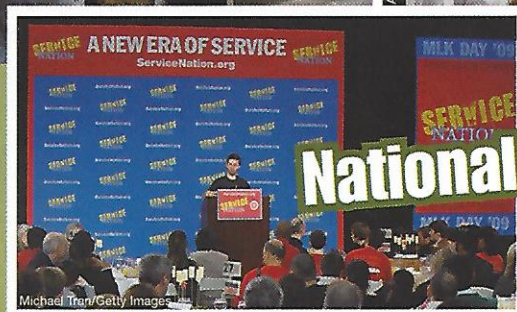


▶ The green cleaning movement gains momentum nationally as environmentally safe non-toxic cleaning products are used in many homes, as well as state and city institutions.



AP Photo/Charles Dharapak

▶ Brad Pitt launches the "Make It Right" project to build 150 green-sensitive new homes in the New Orleans Lower 9th Ward, which was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Pitt contributes \$5 million to the project.



Michael Tran/Getty Images

**National Day of Service**

▶ President-elect Obama asks all Americans to volunteer their time on the 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, January 19, and to continue throughout the year. More than 12,000 service projects take place across the country.