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Volunteers Contribute Record Number of Hours in 2016

Peninsula, OH -- The Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) is pleased to announce that our volunteers contributed a record number of hours this past year. In 2016, more than 1,740 volunteers recorded over 93,000 hours of service – which is the equivalent of approximately 45 full-time employees.

This record surpasses approximately 91,000 hours of service contributed in 2015.

Sherri Lemley, manager of trustee and volunteer relations, said that the value that the volunteers add to CVSR is immeasurable.

"They are an integral part of every aspect of our organization and their support and dedication allowed us to bring quality programs to more than 214,000 passengers in 2016," said Lemley.

In addition to providing quality service on regular train excursions and programs, CVSR volunteers go above and beyond by developing key safety initiatives and promoting CVSR and Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) at community events.

As a partner of the CVNP, CVSR submits volunteers' hours to the park. CVSR volunteers are considered to be National Park Service volunteers and receive all privileges that are available to any NPS volunteer.

For more information about volunteering at CVSR, please visit www.cvsr.com/volunteer.

About Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) is a private sector, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) volunteer supported organization operating in partnership with Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and is dedicated to the preservation of passenger rail transportation in Cuyahoga Valley and the historic Ohio & Erie Canalway. CVSR has been providing excursion rail service for 42 years. For more information about the railroad, visit CVSR.com.