

## Observances 2012-2013

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<b>Observance</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Source/Theme</b>
<b>Martin Luther King's Birthday</b>	21 January 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: The King Center <i>Remember! Celebrate! Act!</i> <i>A Day On, Not A Day Off!!</i> (This theme does not change.)
<b>African American/Black History Month</b>	1-29 February 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) <i>At the Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington</i>
<b>Women's History Month</b>	1-31 March 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: Women's History Project <i>Women Inspiring Innovation Through Imagination: Celebrating Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics</i>
<b>Holocaust Remembrance Day Days of Remembrance</b>	8 April 2013 7-14 April 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum <i>Theme: To Be Determined</i>
<b>Asian Pacific American Heritage Month</b>	1-31 May 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: Federal Asian Pacific American Council <i>Theme: To Be Determined</i>
<b>Women's Equality Day</b>	26 August 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: Women's History Project <i>Celebrating Women's Right to Vote</i> (This theme does not change.)
<b>Hispanic Heritage Month</b>	15 September- 15 October 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: National Council of Hispanic Employment Program Managers <i>Theme: To Be Determined</i>
<b>National Disability Employment Awareness Month</b>	1-31 October 2013	<b>National and Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: Department of Labor <i>Theme: To Be Determined</i>
<b>National Native American Heritage Month</b>	1-30 November 2012	<b>Department of Defense USD (P&amp;R) Theme</b> Source: Society of American Indian Government Employees (SAIGE) <i>Serving Our People, Serving Our Nations: Native Visions for Future Generations</i>

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