

2020 Jefferson Awards for Public Service

— honoring outstanding volunteers — Nomination Form



Nominee: (person you are nominating)

Name _____

Daytime Telephone _____ Evening Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Number of years of volunteer service _____ Volunteer hours per month _____

• Adult Application: ☐

• Youth Application: ☐ Age _____ School _____

Volunteer Organization: (Name of organization for which nominee volunteers, if applicable.)

Organization _____ Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Agency Director _____ Agency Mission _____

References: (List two people who may be contacted to verify nominee's service. References cannot include the person you are nominating or their family. Do not include yourself as a reference.)

Name _____

Daytime Telephone _____ Evening Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Name _____

Daytime Telephone _____ Evening Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Nominator: (Your name)

Name _____

Daytime Telephone _____ Evening Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Signature _____

NOMINATION QUESTIONS

Please type answers to the following, using separate sheets of paper.

Maximum of one page per answer.

- How has the person you nominated helped the community? (What does the person you are nominating do for the community? How does his or her volunteering change the community for the better?)
- Why does the person you are nominating deserve the Jefferson Award? (In what ways is his or her volunteer work outstanding, unique or impressive? Consider challenges he or she has overcome, partnerships with other people or groups, and results achieved.)
- What other service work has your nominee performed in the community? Contact others who know or work with the individual to make your nomination as complete as possible about the individual's community involvement and volunteer efforts.
- How many years has the person you are nominating been a volunteer? (Include all community projects or groups this person has helped through the years, even if your nomination focuses on one specific project or group.)
- Summarize why you believe this person deserves the Jefferson Award.

Please read the Eligibility section on the back of this form. This form may be photocopied.



Alberta Lee, Sponsor of the Non-Profit Monetary Awards, Adults
James E. & Sandra Monfort Family, Sponsor of the Non-Profit Monetary Awards, Youth

Electronic nomination form can be found at
www.unitedwaylima.org

Paper nominations can be emailed to:
uw@unitedwaylima.org

OR by mail to:
The Jefferson Awards
c/o The United Way of Greater Lima
616 South Collet Street
Lima, OH 45805

Nomination deadline is Wednesday February 19, 2020 by 5:00PM

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Your Hometown Lima Stations, The United Way of Greater Lima, The Lima News and Husky Lima Refinery work cooperatively to bring the Jefferson Awards to Lima/Allen County and its contiguous counties.

From all nominations submitted, eight adult applications and four youth applications will be selected by a panel of area leaders and the Jefferson Awards Winners. Each will receive a Jefferson Awards bronze medallion at an event on March 26, 2020.

Alberta Lee, a civic leader who believes in volunteerism and public service, is sponsoring monetary awards to accompany the Jefferson Award medallions for the eight local adult winners who will each receive \$350. Ed and Sandra Monfort (past winner) are the monetary sponsors for our four local youth winners, who will each receive \$250.

One of the twelve local winners will advance to the national competition, receiving an additional \$700 for the organization for which they volunteer. This local representative will be invited to attend the National Ceremony in Washington D.C. in June of 2020. This individual will be honored, along with the other winners across America, at a national program in which five gold medallion Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis Awards for greatest public service benefitting local communities will be announced. Our local representative will be named at the local banquet in March.

Jefferson Awards History

The American Institute for Public Service, now known as the Jefferson Awards for Public Service, was founded in 1972 by Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Senator Robert Taft, Jr. and Sam Beard to establish a national recognition for, and encouragement of, outstanding community and public service.

Jefferson Awards are presented on two levels: local and national. On the local level, Jefferson Award recipients are volunteers who do extraordinary things without expectation of recognition or reward. Past local representatives to the National Program include Estella Adams, Penny Daniels, Shannon Mitchell, Chris Jackson, Dan Endicott, Dr. Gene Wright, Andrea Mitchell, Sandy Monfort, Marjorie Bryan, Timothy Macke, Randy Kohli, Bobbie Nevarez, Steve & Earlene Sellers, Rachael & Cameron Staley and Lauren Cunningham. Past national Jefferson Award recipients include Rosalyn Carter, Walter Cronkite, John Glenn, Barbara Bush, Bob Hope, Dr. Henry Kissinger, General Colin Powell, Oprah Winfrey and Elizabeth Dole.

Across America, hundreds of media affiliates sponsor the Jefferson Awards. Through these local Jefferson Award Programs, over 14,000 nominations are received year after year.

Eligibility

- Individuals of all ages may be nominated for the Jefferson Awards. Groups are not eligible, however, individuals from groups may be nominated. The exception is that married couples or two people who have worked closely on a project may be nominated. The volunteer work must be done in the following counties: Allen, Putnam, Van Wert, Auglaize, Hardin, or Hancock. The volunteer must reside in one of those six counties.
- As of 1/1/2020 an individual who is over the age of 19 will be eligible for the adult award and any youth 18 and under will be eligible for the youth award.
- Individuals are not eligible for cash awards.
- Cash awards must be made payable to qualifying non-profit organizations registered with the Ohio Secretary of State or be a political subdivision of the state as described in 107 (c)(1), such as a public school or government agency. If the organization for which the winner volunteers is not eligible for a cash award, another qualifying agency may be selected.
- Top twelve winners are eligible for re-nomination 5 years after their original nomination.
- Volunteer service may be performed on work-release time or for student course credit.

If you have questions contact: Derek Stemen, President and CEO, United Way of Greater Lima

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