

2023 Governor's Awards on Volunteerism and Community Service Nomination Form

Nominations begin April 17, 2023. All nominations must be submitted by Monday, June 19, at 5:00 p.m. EST.

The Governor's Volunteerism and Community Service Awards annually recognize the significant contributions of Virginians to the life and welfare of the Commonwealth and its people. One award is presented in each of 10 categories. These outstanding award winners represent the millions of generous Virginians who offer their time and talents to others each year.

Nominees must reside and serve within the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the nomination characteristics and identified service must fall within the parameters of the description for the category selected.

Please see full Guidelines and FAQs here: <https://servevirginia.org/awards/virginia-governors-volunteerism-and-community-service-awards-2/>

* Required

Nominator Information

1. Nominator Email *

2. Nominator Name *

3. Nominator phone number *

4. Nominator mailing address *

5. Are you nominating an individual or a group? *

Individual (Youth, Young Adult, Adult, or Senior)

Group (Independent Group, Community Organization, Faith-Based Group, Educational Group, Small Business, Corporation)

Nominee Information

Please provide accurate contact information for the nominee. The contact info for the nominee should be different from the contact info entered previously for you as the nominator.

6. Award Category *

Youth (Age 18 & under)

Young Adult (Age 19-30)

Adult (Age 31-59)

Senior (Age 60 +)

7. Nominee Name - Individual being nominated for this award *

8. Mailing Address - include Street Address or PO Box, City, Zip code *

9. Email *

10. Primary Phone Number *

11. Secondary Phone Number

Tell us about this amazing volunteer!

Tell us about this volunteer and the contributions they have made over the past year! Please build a narrative around the volunteer's contributions, and be sure to focus on their impact from July 2022-June 2023.

12. Direct Impact: Please describe the nominee's volunteer service and the direct impact of their volunteer commitment either with a specific organization or the community. Your answer should include details like the number of people served, hours served, funds raised, etc. Please share if the service was notable in any specific ways, like if it addressed a specific community need, took significant initiative, etc. (300 words or less) *

13. Intention: Describe the unique motivations regarding the willingness of the nominee to volunteer. Please share any relevant information about the nominee's dedication to service, the breadth or depth of their commitment, or other details that illustrate their passion for their work. (300 words or less) *

14. Sustainability: Describe the lasting impact that resulted from the nominee's volunteer service. Please share ways in which the nominee's service benefited individuals, or advanced the work of an organization, impacted the community, etc. (300 words or less) *

15. Leadership: Provide a specific example which demonstrates the nominee's leadership qualities. Describe the ways in which the nominee has inspired others, taught others, helped to develop others' leadership skills, and set an example for other volunteers and members of the community through their service. (300 words or less) *

16. Innovation: Please share the nominee's unique contributions to provide solutions to meet community needs. Describe results such as innovations in their direct service, building community support, generating resources, mobilizing additional volunteers, developing public/private partnerships, connecting communities and schools, encouraging civic engagement and responsibility, direct service, etc. (300 words or less) *

17. What additional information might support consideration by the judging panel? For example: How long has the nominee been involved in community service? Are there any challenges or obstacles to performing volunteer service, etc. (300 words or less) *

Letters of Support

Each of the two (2) LETTERS OF SUPPORT must: be no longer than one page; clearly state the author's relationship to the nominee and knowledge of his/her service in order to provide sufficient information on the individual or organization; not to be used to serve as both a letter of support and a nomination narrative; be submitted by someone other than the nominator and by someone not directly related to the nominee; if available, it is suggested, but not required, that letters of support be submitted on the letterhead of the letter writer's organization. Please send the letter files (PDF preferred) to virginiasserviceinfo@dss.virginia.gov and indicate which nominee the letters are supporting.

31. How did you hear about the Governor's Awards? (Choose all that apply.)

- News Media
- Social Media
- [VirginiaService.virginia.gov](https://www.virginiasservice.org/) Website
- Word of Mouth
- Volunteer Virginia Newsletter
- Other

Thank you!

We are grateful for your time and effort to recognize these amazing Virginians and their contributions to the Commonwealth. Nominations will be reviewed by Virginia Service Commission staff and members of the Governor's Advisory Board on Service and Volunteerism after the nomination period closes. The scoring process for all nominations will conclude on July 11, and the highest scoring nominations will be sent to the Governor's Office for final approval prior to notification to the nominators.

Once approved by the Governor's Office, the Virginia Service Commission will notify the nominators of the selected honorees. The nominators will have the opportunity to share the news directly with the honorees. We will notify the nominators and nominees who weren't selected by the end of July.

Please contact us at VirginiaServiceInfo@dss.virginia.gov with any questions or comments.

This content is neither created nor endorsed by Microsoft. The data you submit will be sent to the form owner.

