



Governor's Volunteer Stars Awards

2016

County Nomination Form

COMPLETE ALL FIELDS FOR NOMINATION TO BE CONSIDERED

I. Nominee Profile

Full/Legal Name of Nominee:

Daytime Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Organization/s Where Nominee Serves: _____

Organization Contact Name: _____ Organization Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Please mark the appropriate box:

Youth Volunteer (Under 25)

Adult Volunteer



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II. Nominator Profile

Full/Legal Name of Nominator:

Daytime Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Relationship to Nominee: _____

How did you hear about the County's Volunteer Awards?

Newspaper website volunteer activity friend other _____



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III. Nomination Narrative (no more than 500 words, single-spaced on 8 ½ x 11 paper with one-inch margins and typed in 12-point font).

The narrative must answer the following questions:

1. What makes the honoree an outstanding volunteer?
2. What agency(s) do they serve with? How long have they served with this agency?
3. What type of service do they perform?
4. How does their service impact their community?
5. What makes the honoree unique?

Please feel free to include additional photographs, pamphlets, or news clippings.



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WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Any individual whose volunteer activities in Tennessee benefit the community or the State of Tennessee in a substantial, important, or unique way.
- Students receiving course credits are eligible, only if the volunteer service extends beyond course requirements. This must be clearly indicated in the nomination letter.
- National Service program participants (AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps*VISTA, RSVP, Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions, etc.) are encouraged to apply based on their volunteer involvement in their national service assignment.

WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE?

- Individuals involved in “court mandated community service” or those serving as “loaned executives.”
- Persons who receive compensation for service rendered (except National Service participants noted above).

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES

- Volunteers may be nominated by anyone or may nominate themselves.
- The nomination letter should specifically be formatted for the Governor's Volunteer Star Awards according to the judging criteria listed below. If it is written as a nomination for another award, it will not be given to the judges for consideration of this award.
- In the event that an individual is nominated multiple times, the review panel will consider only the first nomination form submitted.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- **Need:** Service addressed a specific need in the community (i.e. poverty).
- **Action:** The nominee was actively involved and took initiative.
- **Innovation:** The nominee used creative methods to solve community problems.
- **Impact:** The activity or service produced positive changes and provided an example to others.