

2009 Mayor's Community Service (MCS) Awards

Greetings,

The Mayor's Community Service Awards – a prestigious honor given by the Mayor's Office – will once again recognize Indianapolis citizens for their volunteer contributions and commitment to community service.

Marion County Residents can be nominated in one of several categories including Arts, Business, Church, Special Needs, Education, Elderly, Health/Hospitals, Media, Neighborhood, Philanthropy, Sports, and Youth Services. Please see the attached Nomination Form for the Eligibility and Criteria Requirements for the recipients' consideration.

Award nominations are open to those residing in the Indianapolis/Marion County community. If you would like to nominate a candidate, please complete the attached nomination form and return it by the Friday, September 11, 2009 deadline.

Mayor Greg Ballard will honor MCS award recipients at a ceremony in November 2009. The names of each recipient will be engraved on individual bricks and will be placed at the Mayor's Volunteer Plaza at the 11th Street Admiral Spruance basin on the Canal.

The deadline is September 11, 2009. If the nomination form is received after the deadline date, it will be included in the next year's selection process. For more information, or to access the nomination form online, please visit the Mayor's homepage at:

<http://www.indy.gov/eGov/Mayor/Pages/2008Mayor%27sCommunityServiceAward.aspx>

Please submit nomination forms to:
MCS Awards, Douglas Hairston, Office of the Mayor
200 E. Washington Street, Rm. 2501 City-County Building
Indianapolis, IN 46204

or

Fax to: (317) 327-5271 /E-mail to: FrontPorch@Indy.gov

Thank you for your interest in this community and this important award!

Sincerely,
Douglas S. Hairston
Director
Mayor's Office of the Front Porch Alliance

MCS Awards

The Mayor's Community Service Awards were created to recognize Indianapolis citizens for their volunteer contributions and commitments to community service. Volunteers from all areas of Indianapolis and Marion County will be recognized. The voluntary service demonstrated should be unpaid and not an employment responsibility.

Mayor Greg Ballard will honor MCS award recipients at a city event. A panel of judges comprised of Indianapolis/Marion County representatives will select award recipients.

Eligibility and Criteria for the MCS Award

- The MCS nominee should be committed to improving the City of Indianapolis and Marion County through voluntary personal service to its citizens to meet community needs.
- The MCS nominee will be judged on initiative and good work accomplished through volunteer service.
- Nominations should be made for direct service, board service or administrative volunteering.
- An individual, agency, corporation, or organization may nominate individuals.
- Decisions made by the judges are final.
- Nominees must be residents of Indianapolis/Marion County.

Tips for Completing the Nomination Form

Your essay may want to address one or more questions like...

- How many hours does the nominee volunteer per month?
- Describe the need for the volunteer's service.
- Did the nominee start a new program, use new methods to solve problems, initiate activities, or promote collaboration with other organizations? Explain.
- Describe the impact the nominee's service made to the community.
- You are encouraged to interview your nominee (or get a quote from them on their thoughts about volunteerism) to gain a deeper level of information concerning their volunteer service, motivation, and any special or unique challenges or circumstances.

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You may retrieve the form via the link below:

www.Indy.gov/FrontPorch

Submit nomination form by September 11, 2009

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The MCS Official Nomination Form

Nominee: Indicate Mr., Miss, Mrs., Ms.

Name _____ Day Time Phone (_____) _____

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Employer _____

Please check the appropriate age classification for your nominee:

Youth (18 and under) Young adult (19-25) Adult Senior (60 and over)

Verification: To qualify, a nominee must have three references who may be contacted to verify the scope and extent of the nominee's activities. References should be persons familiar with the community service activities for which the nomination is made and should not include either the nominee or any persons related to the nominee. The nominator may not be included as one of the three references listed below.

Name _____ Day Time Phone (_____) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Agency/Organization _____

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Agency/Organization _____

Name _____ Day Time Phone (_____) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Agency/Organization _____

Nominator:

Name _____ Day Time Phone (_____) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Agency/Organization _____

Signature _____

