



Volunteer Center
OF SONOMA COUNTY

153 Stony Circle, Ste. 100
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

You are the change!

Volunteer Recognition Event

Your volunteers do great things. Recognize their contributions at the Sonoma County Volunteer Recognition Event.

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

Mary Agatha Furth Center, Windsor

Send in your nominations!



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Recognizing Outstanding Service in Sonoma County

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Send in your Nominations!

Presented by the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County, the Volunteer Recognition Awards recognize outstanding Sonoma County Nonprofits and the committed individuals who serve them. A panel of judges convened by the Volunteer Center will evaluate nominations and select winners.

Winners and their nominator, and anyone who would like to share in our community spirit, are invited to attend the 30th Annual Volunteer Recognition Event on October 6, 2009.

The Volunteer of the Year Award

The award, and \$500 for the winner's designated nonprofit, will be presented to an individual who has provided exemplary volunteer service to a Sonoma County nonprofit organization.

Please provide examples from the past year, where applicable, in addressing the following nomination questions:

1. Briefly state the organization, where volunteer serves, its primary mission, and describe services offered.
2. Illustrate how the nominee's services have made a significant, positive impact on the organization.
3. Describe how the nominee has shown dedication and commitment to the organization or its constituents.
4. How long has the nominee volunteered for the organization?

Henry Trione Award

The Henry Trione Award and \$500 for the awardee's designated nonprofit will be presented to a member of the business community who leads by the example of his/her own volunteerism and significant contributions to the community.

Please provide examples from the past year, where applicable, in addressing the following nomination questions:

1. Briefly (100 words) state the name of the nominating organization, its primary mission, and the nature of services offered.
2. What is the nominee's volunteer assignment within the organization?
3. How long has the nominee been involved with your organization?
3. Describe how the nominee's services have made a significant, positive impact on the organization. Use specific examples.

Agilent Community Challenge Award

The Agilent Community Challenge Award and \$500 for the awardee's designated nonprofit will be presented to a business that has mobilized a group of volunteers from within to help the community with an exemplary project or program.

Please provide the following information:

1. Name of Business
2. Name of Volunteer Group within the Business
3. Name of the project or program implemented by the group.
4. State the community issue that prompted the group's action(s)
5. Describe how the issue was positively affected by the implementation of the group's project or program. Include the activities that the volunteers have initiated.
6. Name the nonprofit organization(s) assisted by the group (if applicable), and the geographical area served.



Outstanding Board Volunteer Award

The Outstanding Board Volunteer Award and \$500 for the awardee's designated nonprofit organization will be presented to a member of a nonprofit Board of Directors in recognition of exemplary service to the organization as a board member.

Please provide the following information:

1. Briefly (100 words) state the name of the nominating organization, its primary mission, and the nature of services offered.
2. How long has the nominee been involved with your organization? In what capacity other than as a board member?
3. How long has the nominee served on the board?
4. Describe the nominee's contributions as a board member and the characteristics that distinguish him/her as an exemplary board member.

The Community Services Award - Team Project

The Community Services Award—Team Project recognizes a team of volunteers that has initiated and implemented a program or project for the benefit of the community.

Please provide the following information:

1. Name of Volunteer Group.
2. Name of the project or program implemented by the group.
3. State the community issue that prompted the group's action(s).
4. Describe how the issue was positively affected by the implementation of the group's project or program. Include the activities that the volunteers have initiated.
4. Name the nonprofit organization(s) assisted by the group (if applicable), and the geographical area served.
5. For youth nominees: What is the age range of the young people involved? What school(s) do they attend?

Diversity Award

The Diversity Award will be presented to an exceptional individual or team of volunteers bringing services/programs to underserved populations—those who are vulnerable or disadvantaged by language, disability, cultural or economic hardship. \$500 will be awarded to the nominee(s)' designated non-profit organization.

Please provide the following information:

1. Briefly (100 words) state the name of organization, its primary mission, and the nature of services offered.
2. How long has the volunteer or group been involved with the organization?
3. What is the nature of the service or program provided by the nominee(s)? Who is the target population?
4. Describe the change that has occurred in the target population as a result of the service or program provided by the nominee(s).
5. For youth nominees: What is the age and grade of the nominee(s)? What school(s) do they attend?

Outstanding Service Club Volunteer Award

The Outstanding Service Club Volunteer Award recognizes a member of a service organization that demonstrates leadership and promotes the mission of the organization through volunteerism. \$500 will be presented to the scholarship fund of the awardee's club.

Please provide the following information:

1. Name of the nominating organization and its mission.
2. How long has the nominee been involved in the service club?
3. Describe the nominee's leadership activities and any activities that exemplify the mission of the organization through volunteerism.

Excellence in Community Service — The Linda Rayner Award

The Excellence in Community Service Award, and \$500 for the winner's designated nonprofit, will be presented to a Volunteer Center volunteer whose creativity and hard work has contributed significantly to the community.

Please provide examples from the past year, where applicable, in addressing the following nomination questions:

1. Briefly state the organization(s), where the volunteer serves, its primary mission, and describe services offered.
2. Describe how the nominee's services have made a significant, positive impact to a program or initiative of the Volunteer Center.
3. Describe how the nominee has demonstrated dedication and commitment to the organization or its constituents.
4. How long has the nominee been serving the community?

The Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

The Youth Volunteer of the Year Award, and \$500 for the winner's designated nonprofit, will be presented to a 12-18 year old individual who has provided exemplary volunteer service to a Sonoma County nonprofit organization.

Please provide the following information regarding your organization and your nominee:

1. Briefly (100 words) state the name of organization, its primary mission, and the nature of services offered.
2. What is the nominee's volunteer assignment within the organization?
3. How long has the nominee been involved with your organization?
3. Describe how the nominee's services have made a significant, positive impact on the organization. Use specific examples.
4. What school does the youth nominee attend? What grade in Fall 09?



Nomination and RSVP Instructions

1. Please fill out the enclosed Nomination and Event RSVP Form and either

Email to: aalexander@volunteernow.org

or Mail to:

The Volunteer Center of Sonoma County
153 Stony Circle #100
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

or Fax to: 707-573-3380

Forms must be completed fully and include a photo of the nominee and logo of the agency. You may also send up to two double-sided pages of information, and include articles or letters of recommendation, etc. about nominee.

An incomplete form disqualifies the nomination.

2. Nominator must inform nominee/s of this nomination and ensure he or she will be able to attend the October 6, 2009 Volunteer Recognition Event.

3. Award recipients agree to make themselves and their photos available for media promotions. Please send a digital photo of your nominee, and agency logo to aalexander@volunteernow.org.

4. Tickets for the event are \$20 per attendee for Volunteer Center nonprofit members and \$25 per attendee for non-members. For additional information on nonprofit membership, visit our website at www.volunteernow.org and click on 'membership.'

Winners' attendance is paid for by the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County. *(Any payments by nominators for winners will be reimbursed.)*

5. Deadline for nominations:
Tuesday, September 8, 2009
6. Deadline for RSVP:
Friday, September 18, 2009



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Nominator will be notified of winners by September 14, 2009



Volunteer Recognition Event Nomination Form

Nominator

Name of Nominator _____

Name of Agency/Business _____

Full Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Nominee

Nominator responsible for inviting nominee to event.

Name of Nominee _____ F M

Full Address of Nominee _____

Phone of Nominee _____ Email of Nominee _____

May we contact your Nominee for media purposes? Yes Contact our agency first

Information about your Nominee

Please complete the form below. This information will be used in the program for this event. The more personal and anecdotal you are, the more personal the program becomes, leaving everyone with a sense of his or her unique contribution. *Please email a photo of the Nominee and agency logo (JPG format) to aalexander@volunteernow.org.*

Nomination Category _____

How long at agency _____ Avg. hrs per week/month ___ Age: 12-19 20-59 60+

Describe this individual's volunteer job _____

Give an example of his or her initiative, creativity, or leadership _____

List any additional information you would like to share about your nominee _____

For multiple nominees, please copy this form or go to our website at www.volunteernow.org and download more forms.

Nomination Deadline: September 8, 2009





RSVP Contact Name _____
Agency _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Please fill out this reservation form for each person attending the event. All nominees will be guests of their nominator. If your nominee wins, his or her fees will be refunded, or an additional guest may be invited. Please print attendees names, and their agency affiliation. Tables seat 8.

This event will sell out! Seating is limited. Late RSVP will be accepted on a space available basis.

Name _____ Affiliation _____
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Payment Information

\$20 per attendee for Agency Members • \$25 per attendee for Non-members

We are a: Member Non-member

Credit Card

Name on Card _____ Total \$ _____

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Check

Enclosed is a check for _____ people. Total \$ _____

Questions? Call us at 707-573-3309. The Volunteer Center is going green! We would prefer that you email you reservation form to us: aalexander@volunteernow.org. Mail (153 Stony Circle #100, Santa Rosa, CA 95401) and fax (707-573-3380) are still accepted.

