About the Spirit of NH Awards

Spirit of NH Awards honor outstanding contributions to volunteerism throughout the state of New Hampshire. Each fall, a statewide celebration is held to present two categories of Spirit of NH Awards:

**Volunteer Service Awards** recognize individuals and groups who provide volunteer services that strengthen communities and improve the lives of the citizens of New Hampshire. These awards honor outstanding volunteers who reflect the strong ethic of service and volunteerism in our state.

**Volunteer Champion Awards** recognize outstanding volunteer programs that provide the infrastructure for volunteers to be successful in their service. Awards in the Volunteer Champion category recognize excellent program management, fund development efforts that sustain volunteer programs, and commitment of time/resources to engage employees in community volunteer roles.

Volunteer *Service* Nomination Questions

Nominee Category

Which category does the nominee fall under?

- Youth/Young Adult (age 22 and younger)
- Adult (23-64)
- Senior (age 65+)
- National Service Member (a person of any age who is in a National Service Program such as AmeriCorps State and National, AmeriCorps VISTA, AmeriCorps NCCC, or Senior Corps)
- Group (pair, family, club, or any other group of people who volunteer regularly)

*Note: If you wish to nominate a Nonprofit, Business, or School please use the Volunteer Champion Nomination Form instead.*
Nomination Questions: visit https://VolunteerNH.org to submit the nomination form

Nominee Information: Individual

Nominee: First Name
Nominee: Last Name
Phonetic Spelling of Nominee’s Name
Is the nominee being recognized for volunteer service done primarily in New Hampshire?
In which town/city does the nominee live?
In which state does the nominee live?
Nominee’s Local Newspaper
Nominee’s Email
Nominee’s Phone Number
What is the best way to communicate with the nominee?
  • Email
  • Phone
  • No Preference

Is the nominee a veteran or currently serving in the military?

Which organization does the nominee primarily volunteer with? (There are opportunities to discuss additional organizations later)

How many years has the nominee volunteered with this organization?

On average, how many hours per month does the nominee spend volunteering with this organization?
  • 1-5
  • 6-10
  • 11-12
  • 21-40
  • 40+
  • Unsure

If the nominee volunteers with any other organizations, list them here (and include approximately how many monthly hours they spend volunteering at each)
Nominee Information: Group

What is the name of the group (e.g. Tim and Olivia Roemer, the Granite State Food Pantry Volunteers, etc.)?

Is the group being recognized for volunteer service done primarily in New Hampshire?

Primary Contact: First Name

Primary Contact: Last Name

Primary Contact: Email

Primary Contact: Phone Number

What is the best way to communicate with the primary contact?

In which city/town is the group based out of?

In which state is the group based out of?

How many active participants are in the group?

Which organization does the group primarily volunteer with? (There are opportunity to discuss additional organizations later)

Approximately how many hours per month does an average group member volunteer?

- 1-5
- 6-10
- 11-20
- 21-40
- 40+

If the group volunteers with any other organizations, list them here (and approximately how many hours per month are spent volunteering there)
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Nominator Information

Nominator: First Name

Nominator: Last Name

How do you know the nominee?

How did you hear about the Spirit of NH Awards?
- I received an award in the past
- I know someone who received an award
- Social media
- Volunteer NH email
- Volunteer NH website
- Governor’s Conference on Volunteerism

Which city/town do you (the nominator) live in?

Which state do you (the nominator) live in?

What is your email address?

What is your phone number?

What is the best way to communicate with you (the nominator)?
- Email
- Phone
- No Preference

Do you want to be added to our electronic mailing list?
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Narratives

Please respond to each question, being as clear and specific as possible. Each response may be up to 1,800 characters (approximately 250 words).

Reviewers are looking for nominations that provide:
1. a thorough, detailed response to all of the information requested
2. a clear and compelling description of the nominee, their service, and the impact of their service
3. specific examples and/or details about the nominee’s service

Note: While service history is relevant to include, nominees are being considered for their contributions to the community in the past 12 months.

1. Provide a description of the nominee's service activities and who/what benefits from the service. (If nominating in the National Service category, please describe how the nominee's service extends beyond their standard service activities)

2. Describe how the nominee's service has impacted others. How has the nominee contributed to a culture of service?

3. Describe the nominee's character, strengths, and any specific information that differentiates the nominee from others.

4. Include any additional information you would like reviewers to be aware of.

5. In 400 characters or fewer, please summarize the nomination (including name, volunteer organization, and impact). This summary may be used in promotional materials.

Confirmation Message:

Thank you for submitting a nomination for the 2019 Spirit of NH Awards! Mark your calendar for the award ceremony on Wednesday, November 13. More information is available on our website: www.VolunteerNH.org

The deadline to nominate is September 10. We will be in touch after our committee finishes the review process - likely in early October.

Please note that you have submitted a Volunteer Service Award nomination, which is for individuals and groups. If you have nominated in this category by mistake, please contact Mikayla@VolunteerNH.org.