

THE VOLUNTEER IMPACT AWARDS – NOMINATION CATEGORIES

The Volunteer Action Centre is pleased to present the 14th Annual Volunteer Impact Awards that recognize inspiring individuals and groups volunteering in Waterloo Region. Finalists will be recognized at the awards gala dinner to be held on **Thursday, April 11, 2019** during [National Volunteer Week – April 7 to 13, 2019](#).

INDIVIDUAL INVOLVEMENT CATEGORIES

To recognize volunteers of all ages who significantly contribute to improving our community.

- **Caring or Program Award:** for a volunteer in a direct service role such as visiting, driving, serving meals, or recreation.
- **Outstanding Youth Award:** for a high school or post-secondary student who exemplifies positive youth engagement and has made an outstanding contribution through volunteering.
- **Mentorship Award:** for a teacher, mentor or school that has made a significant impact to youth volunteering.
- **Organization Support Award:** for a volunteer in a support role such as reception, office, library support, or research-focused.
- **Special Event Award:** for a volunteer in a special event role.

GROUP INVOLVEMENT CATEGORIES

To recognize a corporate or business group, committee or board that demonstrates an invaluable investment in community.

- **Volunteer Group Engagement Award:** for a group or team of 3 or more participants that provide valued support to a community organization.
- **Board or Committee Award:** awarded to a board or committee that provided valued leadership for their community organization.



GRASSROOTS INVOLVEMENT CATEGORIES

To recognize individuals who have made a significant contribution to their community, cultural group or neighbourhood.

- **Good Neighbour Award:** for an individual who has gone out of their way to welcome those new to the community, support older adults to stay in their homes or help engage youth.
- **Multicultural Award:** for an individual or team who is working with a grassroots or cultural group that helps create an inclusive community for newcomers settling in our Region.

LEADERSHIP CATEGORIES

To recognize volunteers or contributors at organizations who exemplify inspirational leadership and initiative.

- **Outstanding Leadership Award:** for a board member or leadership volunteer or supporter who personifies exemplary organizational leadership.
- **Volunteer Manager Award:** for a paid or unpaid manager of volunteers who enthusiastically leads to create a volunteer-friendly community.

A SELECTION COMMITTEE is comprised of community members, local professionals and board representatives to review and select recipients using the materials provided by nominators.

Deadline for submission: Sunday, March 3, 2019

VISIT website below for online application or contact us for other formats @ 519-742-8610.

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