

Volunteer of the Year Award Guidelines

Introduction

This award recognizes and honours an outstanding individual who is volunteering their time and talent in the non-profit sector. This individual is making a significant contribution to the Abbotsford community through commitment, service, creativity, cooperation and leadership in their volunteer role(s). For the purposes of this award, volunteering is defined as:

- volunteered significant unpaid hours
- contributed talents, energy and skills to help non-profit organizations in the community
- be of benefit to the organization and to the volunteer

Award Criteria

Demonstrate exceptional commitment, service, creativity, cooperation, or leadership. The following areas will be assessed:

- impact
- reach
- engagement
- challenges
- inspiration

Additional Material:

Provide a letter of reference from the local charity or non-profit that benefitted from the contributions of the nominated individual.

The Award

The recipient will receive a framed certificate of the award and \$500 will be donated to the recipient's charity of choice.

Judging

The Community Grants Committee of the Abbotsford Community Foundation will select the recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award. Selection will be based on only the information contained in the Nomination Form. The committee may verify the information but will not seek out additional information. The successful nominee will be informed of the judging results no later than **Monday November 6, 2017**.

Responsibilities

The recipient or representative of the recipient group must be prepared to speak at the National Philanthropy Day Luncheon about the volunteer work they are doing.

The Volunteer of the Year Award Nomination Form and Letter of Support must be submitted online no later than **Monday October 16, 2017**.