



2023 National Philanthropy Day Philanthropy in Action Awards Nomination Package

All nominations are due October 1, 2023. Incomplete submissions will not be accepted. *Confirmation* of an online nomination DOES NOT constitute *acceptance* of a nomination. Nominators & nominees will be advised of the acceptance of their nomination by October 16, 2023.

How to Make a Nomination:

To submit a nomination, you will need to:

- Complete the online nomination form
- Submit up to 3 photos that illustrate your nominee's outstanding philanthropy in action
- Provide a min. of 3 reference letters to support each nomination (at least 1 of the letters cannot be your organization's staff or Board.) These letters don't need to be long. They just need to be from people who have worked with or observed the nominee's volunteerism or gift giving and can confirm the positive contribution and impacts detailed in your nomination

Criteria for a Nomination:

Nominations are made online [here](#).

The 'reason for nomination' story tells us why you are nominating this individual or organization, why do they inspire philanthropy, what makes them an outstanding volunteer or donor & how their contributions have impacted your organization and the sector as a whole. Key questions to consider:

How does your nominee support your program/organization?

What kind of impact do they make for your organization?

How does your nominee's support positively impact local communities in Abbotsford?

Sector Champions: Your nomination story needs to clearly demonstrate your nominee's contribution and positive impact they've had on the sector you've nominated them for. Please also indicate if you're nominating them as a donor or as a volunteer.

A note about volunteers and donors: we believe anyone can be a philanthropist. It's not always about the size of the gift. Sometimes, it's about the consistency, reliability, or overcoming obstacles in order to make a gift. It's about the philanthropists in our midst going above and beyond their own circumstances to help others and the impact their gifts have made within your organization and the sector they have supported.

ACF reserves the right to disqualify any nomination that does not fit the criteria or exemplify philanthropy through volunteerism or giving in the sector selected.



Sector Champion Categories (Donor & Volunteer)

Arts & Culture - for those who have impacted the arts and culture sector through their volunteerism or charitable giving - exemplifying how philanthropy celebrates cultural identity and vibrancy in community.

Community Wellness - for those who have engaged in volunteerism or charitable giving to ensure the delivery of services that empower, enrich, or nurture our community to be resilient and to thrive.

Education & Literacy - for those who have volunteered or provided charitable giving to improve the overall level of education, literacy, and/or knowledge in our community.

Youth (under 24) - for youth or youth groups under the age of 24, who have volunteered or made charitable donations to better our community and who, by example, encourage others in the community to create or join in philanthropic activities.

Newcomer - for New Canadians who have recently emigrated to Abbotsford (in the last 3 years), and have volunteered or made charitable gifts to better our community and who, by example, serve as an example to other New Canadians about the value of philanthropy.

Indigenous Reconciliation - for those who have volunteered or made charitable gifts to support local community engagement in Truth and Reconciliation work including the decolonization of attitudes, systems, and processes - exemplifying how philanthropy can work towards healing.

Nomination Acceptance:

By October 16, 2023, we will review all nominations and notify all nominators and nominees if their nomination has been accepted.

If your nomination is accepted, we will share date, time, and ticket info with your nominee. If they are unable to buy a ticket or your organization is unable to sponsor their ticket, we may be able to offer them a bursary as we don't want cost to be a barrier from them being celebrated in person.

Event Information:

The 2023 National Philanthropy Day Luncheon is set for Wed Nov 15, 2023 from 11:30 am-1 pm.

Where: Abbotsford Legacy Sports Banquet Hall (3270 Trethewey St #4)

Date/Time: Wed Nov 15, 2023 @ 11:30 - 1 pm

Ticket Prices: \$25/individual \$200/Table of 8

Sponsorship opportunities are available now. Please contact Areni - arenik@abbotsfordcf.org.



FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions:

Is there a cost to nominate? No. However, we do sell tickets to the event where nominators present their awards to their nominees. We also invite nominators to sponsor a ticket for their nominees but this is not a requirement to make a nomination.

Do I have to tell my nominee? Can I make it a surprise? As fun as that might be, we do need consent from nominees before they can be nominated and you are required to obtain that consent before making a nomination.

Can I save a draft online and complete my nomination later?

Yes. There is a 'save and continue later' option at the bottom of the page. Please copy the link and save it for your reference. This link is valid for 30 days.

What if I didn't receive a confirmation email for my nomination? If you do not receive an automatic confirmation of submission (this is NOT an acceptance of your nomination), please contact admin@abbotsfordcf.org.

Can I submit my nomination a bit later than Oct 1? Unfortunately, we can't accept late submissions.

How will I know if my nominee has won? By October 16, 2023, we will notify all nominators and nominees if their nomination for a Philanthropy in Action Award has been accepted. A nomination acceptance means that your nominee has won. These are non competitive awards where we want to celebrate the many philanthropists in our midst. (Please note that when you receive a confirmation of a nomination submission it DOES NOT constitute acceptance of a nomination. We do need to review all submissions to ensure they are consistent with the nomination criteria).

How will the nominations be used (including photos and quotes)?

Aspects of nominations may be used in online and digital media and throughout the event to celebrate philanthropy in our community.

How will awards be presented? As this is a non competitive awards process, all accepted nominations will receive an award. During the reception portion of the National Philanthropy Day Luncheon (11:30 am to Noon), nominators will get to personally present their nominees with their award and have a photo opportunity. This is a great time to steward your donors and appreciate your volunteers with personal and meaningful engagement.