



LSFRE Presents Celebrating Community Giving Day 2015



Celebrating Community Giving Philanthropy Day Awards Guidelines

Deadline: September 1, 2015

The Lake Superior Fundraising Executives (LSFRE) sponsors an annual awards program to recognize outstanding achievement by individual, foundation and corporate philanthropists and fundraising volunteers.

In professional fundraising, such individuals and organizations form a vital partnership that philanthropy must have to maintain its contribution to mankind. It is right and proper; therefore, that LSFRE honors those who hold high ethical standards and best exemplify commitment, dedication and talent toward helping society. These awards are given in recognition to those individuals and organizations whose life-time or long-term achievements have made a significant impact on our region.

For each award, please review and follow these guidelines:

- Please answer each of the questions as completely and thoroughly as possible so that the selection committee may more thoroughly understand why your nominee should be selected.
- Please keep your nomination response to no more than three (3) typewritten pages. You may want a cover letter and other's endorsements if you wish, but please refrain from including resumes, annual reports, videos or electronic attachments.
- There should be one primary nominating person (organization) but you may also include up to (3) endorsements by other organizations.
- Please include the name of the nominee with phone number and address; also include name of the person filling out the nomination with phone number, address and email address.
- Any LSFRE member may submit a nomination except those LSFRE members of the current award selection committee.
- Mail the completed application to: LSFRE Philanthropy Day Awards Committee, P.O. Box 3441, Duluth, MN 55803-3441 or email to jcrown@kitchigammiclub.com.
- Award recipients OR a representative of the award recipient **MUST** be present at the Awards Ceremony to accept the award. PLEASE NOTE: the person, group, or organization that nominated the award recipient is NOT permitted to accept the award.

Outstanding Individual Philanthropist

This award is presented to an individual or family with a proven record of exceptional generosity. Recipients will have demonstrated outstanding civic and charitable responsibility and generosity, which encourages others to take philanthropic leadership roles on a community, national and/or international level. Your nominations should include the following information with specific examples:

- Examples of gift support.
- Description of impact of gift support.
- Evidence of encouragement and motivation given to others to take leadership roles in philanthropy.
- Description of participation in gift support of other nonprofit organizations in the community, nationally and/or internationally.
- Evidence of philanthropic support of innovative approaches to solving problems.

Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser

The individual eligible for this nomination must have demonstrated exceptional leadership as a volunteer for a major fundraising project for more than one nonprofit organization. The recipients should demonstrate exceptional skills coordinating and motivating groups of volunteers for fundraising projects for the benefit of charitable institutions and a commitment to the advancement of philanthropy. List your nominee's specific achievements for the past year or several years, such as:

- Evidence of quality and organizational ability in fundraising campaigns.
- Description of time, effort and financial commitment.
- Description of fundraising goals achieved by his/her effort.
- Evidence of success in recruiting and motivating others.
- Description of participation in other local, national and/or international nonprofit organizations.

Outstanding Philanthropic Organization

The nominee or organization must have demonstrated outstanding commitment through financial support and through encouragement and motivation of others to take leadership roles toward philanthropy and community involvement. List your nominee's achievements, including:

- Evidence of direct gift support indicated by support of projects in the community, nationally and/or internationally.
- Description of impact of gift support on projects.
- Description of specific achievements accomplished through the organization's efforts.
- Evidence of encouragement and motivation given to others to take leadership roles toward philanthropy and community involvement.
- Evidence of philanthropic support of innovative approaches to solving problems.

Outstanding Legacy Award

This award is given posthumously to a person(s) who provided a significant gift through his/her estate. The recipient of this award should also have demonstrated the true spirit of philanthropy through their generosity and their volunteer and/or professional support of a nonprofit organization or community service. Please answer the following questions in nominating someone for this award:

- What is the relationship of the donor to the organization receiving the gift?
- What difference will/did this gift make to the organization?
- In what other ways had this donor impacted the organization?
- What was the impetus behind the gift?
- Why is this gift significant and why does it stand out within the recipient organization?