

# Help us Choose NWT's Outstanding Volunteers



## Submit the Nomination Form

Mail or fax your nomination form to your regional Municipal and Community Affairs Office or to the Department in Yellowknife at addresses at right:

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## Judging Criteria

All nominations will be judged by the Territorial Awards Committee, made up of representatives from each of the six regions in the NWT. The Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs appoints the members. The Committee reserves the right to move nominations to other categories if necessary.

The Committee will follow an established evaluation guideline, including, but not limited to:

- The duration (minimum of 100 hours) and impact of the volunteerism;

- The number of years, months and approximate number of volunteer hours the nominee committed to the activity;
- The uniqueness and inclusiveness (involving others) of the nominee's contributions and commitments;
- Their leadership role in the community or organization; and
- The challenges and/or barriers the nominee had to overcome in order to achieve their goal.

# NWT Outstanding Volunteer Awards

## Nomination Deadline is March 1

### Who is a volunteer?

You probably already know a volunteer – a friend or neighbour who is always there freely helping someone.

For example:

- A youth who raises money for school activities;
- An elder who helps in the school;
- A group that provides food for the needy;
- A person who preserves and teaches their culture;
- A person who helps those who are less able to take care of themselves; or
- A helper that cuts wood, shovels walkways, helps with reading.

### How do we say thanks?

Volunteers make life better. We want to thank them for their work.

Each year at this time, the NWT Outstanding Volunteer Awards Program calls for nominations to recognize the voluntary contributions made by volunteers in Northwest Territories' communities. The Awards Program is made possible by our major sponsor – the Northwest Territories Power Corporation.

Territorial winners receive \$500.00 from the Northwest Territories Power Corporation to give to a volunteer organization of their choice.

### How does the awards program work?

Anybody can nominate an individual or a group whose voluntary work strengthens and enriches northern life.

There are four categories:

- Youth
- Elder
- Individual
- Group

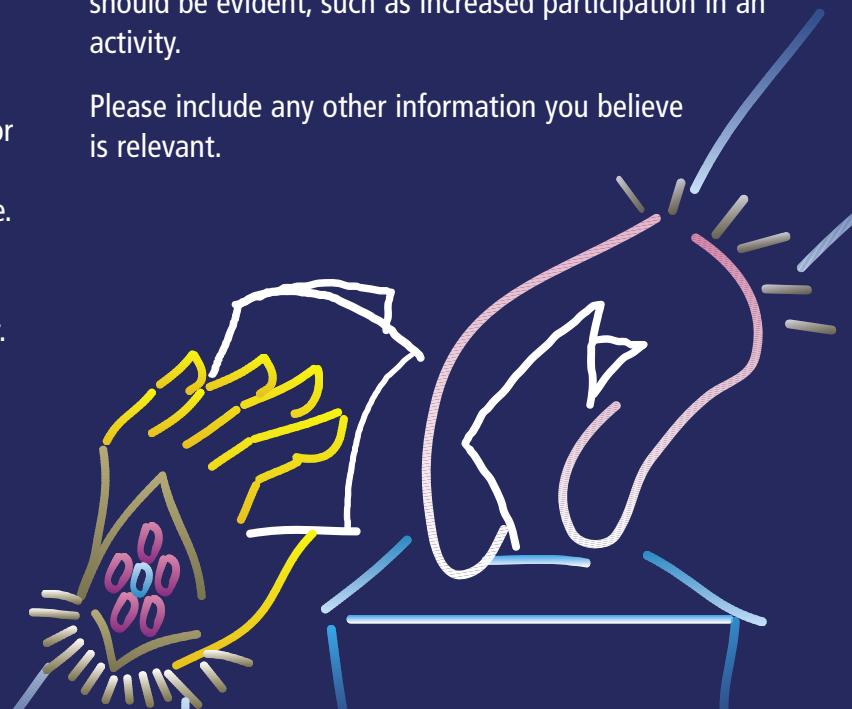
The nomination form requires details about the volunteer's type of achievement, type of involvement and level of impact on the community. Please see the sample form, on reverse, for example.

**Type of achievement:** Describe the significant contributions or participation made by the volunteer or group designed to improve the quality of life. Explain the manner in which the activities were performed (i.e. demonstration of leadership skills, innovative idea, or mobilization of community resources). The candidate should have played a key role in the volunteer activity.

**Type of involvement:** Describe the volunteer's participation or, if nominating a group, the work performed by the group.

**Level of impact on the community:** Describe ways the community has benefited from the volunteer or group's work. Examples may include starting a food bank or a literacy program, or providing a service that was not previously available. The impact of the volunteerism should be evident, such as increased participation in an activity.

Please include any other information you believe is relevant.



# NWT Outstanding Volunteer Awards – Sample Form

Name of Volunteer: Joe Citizen

Mailing Address: Box 2

Community: Fort Cedar NWT

Postal Code: X1A 1A1

Telephone (Daytime): 555-5555

Fax: 555-5555

E-mail: joecitizen@email.com

Name of Nominator: Jack Citizen

Mailing Address: Box 5

Community: Fort Cedar NWT

Postal Code: X1A 1A1

Telephone (Daytime): 555-4444

Fax: 555-4444

E-mail: jackcitizen@email.com

Which award are you nominating this individual or group for? (Please select only one category)

- Individual
- Youth
- Elder
- Group – Number of people

Length of Service: 5 Years

## Type of Achievement:

Describe the significant participation or contributions made by the volunteer or group which help to improve the quality of life in your community.

Joe takes a strong leadership role in all activities he takes on. He has the unique ability to draw out the skills of those he works with. Joe identifies a community need or issue, such as starting up a men's healing circle, and then quietly approaches key people in the community to support the idea. The ability to interest others and get them to participate in an important community cause is Joe's real talent. The community supports Joe in his efforts.

This is demonstrated by the local radio station, which has interviewed him and his core group of supporters in the healing circle. This raised awareness of the project in the community.

## Type of Involvement:

Describe the volunteer's participation or, if nominating a group, the work performed by the group.

Joe has been a dedicated minor hockey coach for the under 8 year olds ever since his son started to play and he is also a soccer coach for his daughter's team.

Joe is a tremendous role model for the children in the community. They feel he cares for them because he commits to lead hockey practices three times a week and he goes on weekend field trips with them.

It seems whenever people are in need, be it thawing frozen pipes or giving an elder a ride to the health centre, Joe is always there to lend a helping hand.

## Level of Impact on the Community:

Describe how the community has benefited from the volunteer or group's work.

Joe has a positive outlook on life and creates positive energy for those around him. This energy inspires others to get involved. He believes that the health of a community begins at home and he lives this philosophy. Joe's leadership makes a difference in the community.

Joe has given his time to coaching the men's healing circle and many other activities in his community for the past ten years. He has probably volunteered over 1,000 hours.

I believe Joe has contributed to the health of Fort Cedar and is, therefore, an ideal candidate for the individual NWT Outstanding Volunteer Award.

*Please include any documentation you may wish to use to support your nomination. These may include references, letters of congratulations, etc.*

# NWT Outstanding Volunteer Awards – Nomination Form

**Name of Volunteer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Which award are you nominating this individual or group for? (Please select only one category)

- Individual
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- Elder
- Group – Number of people

**Length of Service:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Achievement:**

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**Level of Impact on the Community:**

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