

Call for Volunteer Recognition

Every year both Autism Delaware and the autism community get stronger because of the efforts of great volunteers. Autism Delaware has been recognizing outstanding volunteers over the past five years as well as outstanding employers for some of those years. It's time again to call to the membership to submit nominations for Outstanding Volunteers.

Volunteer awards fall into several categories. We like to honor those of you who have support Autism Delaware, and we also recognize others who have helped the general autism community either directly or indirectly.

You must be a member of the Autism Delaware to nominate someone for an award.

Types of Awards:

Outstanding Autism Delaware Volunteer (Individual and/or Group)

This award recognizes a volunteer or group for outstanding services that directly benefit the Autism Delaware. Past examples include services that range from organizing social events to helping in the office.

Services to the Autism Community

This award recognizes a volunteer or group for outstanding services that benefit the autism community in general. Past examples have been the development of a bike camp or providing work sites for students. It would also be appropriate to nominate local employers that offer volunteer opportunities.

Outstanding Employer

This award recognizes an employer that has made a significant contribution to the employment of individuals with autism. This may include, among other things, the provision of supports in employment, advocacy for employment and actual employment of persons with autism.

This year we are also asking for more information about the nomination. Please complete the nomination form with this information:

- the specific nature of the volunteer work
- those positively impacted by the contribution
- the amount of effort/time involved in the volunteer work
- why this individual/group is deserving of special recognition
- other persons with knowledge of the volunteer work performed
- contact information

Employer nominations should include:

- Employer name and address
- Supervisor or manager's name
- Information about individuals with autism who have been employed and whether it is competitive, supported, full or part time
- Information about supports offered to workers
- Other advocacy or efforts the employer has made to make them eligible for this award.

And just because life never fits neatly into categories, if you have a nominee for someone who does not fit neatly into these categories, please contact the office and we can provide some assistance.

Please submit nominations by February 28, 2010.

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Volunteer Recognition Nomination

Your Name: _____ Your Phone: _____

Email: _____ Name of Person/Business you wish to nominate: _____

Reason why you wish to nominate this person/business: _____

Nature of the Volunteer work _____

Time spent _____ Who Was Impacted? _____

Nominee's address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Nominee's Phone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

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Attention: Volunteer Recognition or e-mail at: delautism@delautism.org