



# Neighbors' Volunteer Recognition Awards

The Neighbors' Volunteer Recognition Awards honor outstanding individuals and groups who exemplify Neighbors' core values of respect, fairness, compassion and empowerment. Anyone who has given their time to Neighbors as a volunteer is eligible to be nominated (except for employees). Submit completed forms to the Volunteer Department or email [volunteer@neighborsmn.org](mailto:volunteer@neighborsmn.org) by February 28, 2018.

**Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Award Category:**

Please select the category you are nominating for (descriptions are below for reference):

- Respect*
- Empowerment*
- Compassion*
- Fairness*
- Rookie of the Year*
- Outstanding Youth*
- Community Partner*
- Program of the Year*
- Neighbors Legacy Award*

**Reason(s) for nomination:**

Tell us why you believe this nominee should be recognized. Include a story or the reason that this nominee fits the award's description. One paragraph minimum; please use the back of this form or any additional paper as needed.

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**Award Descriptions**

- Respect** – The volunteer believes that all persons are persons of value and worth, and treats everyone with dignity.
- Empowerment** – The volunteer believes that every person has the ability to make life choices that can lead to self-sufficiency, and works to enable success.
- Compassion** – The volunteer cares about, and is conscious of, the sufferings or troubles of others, and has a sincere desire to help alleviate their burdens.
- Fairness** – The volunteer believes that every person with whom they come in contact has the right to be treated justly and honestly, free from self-interest, prejudice or favoritism.
- Rookie of the Year** – The volunteer may be newer to Neighbors (within the last calendar year), but has already made a big impact.
- Outstanding Youth** – The volunteer has demonstrated great passion and dedication to Neighbors' mission (must be under 18 years of age).
- Community Partner** – A business or organization that has supported Neighbors' mission through volunteering, financial and/or in-kind donations.
- Program of the Year** – Any of Neighbors' programs that excelled in meeting the needs of the community is eligible.
- Neighbors Legacy Award** – The volunteer exemplifies all Neighbors' core values and has volunteered with the organization for at least 15 years.