



NOMINATION FORM
Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference
2007 Awards Program
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Please select the category for which this application is being nominated

The application process has undergone changes from previous years, please review the application completely. You can nominate a single project/individual/group for all categories that apply. Only one application per group/project is necessary. Ensure that if you apply for more than one Award, that the document you submit identifies that very clearly.

YOU MUST indicate all awards that you wish the nominee to be considered for on the Nomination Form.

- State Neighborhood Project of the Year
- State Neighborhood Organization of the Year
- State Neighborhood Advocate of the Year
- State Neighborhood Youth Individual Effort of the Year
- State Neighborhood Youth Group Effort of the Year

Name/Title of Nominee _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

_____ Email _____

Nominator/Endorser _____

Nominator/Endorser Telephone _____

Nominator/Endorser Email _____

Please **submit completed applications postmarked by July 7, 2007 to:**

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If you wish to submit digital – please contact me first to confirm format !

Award Application Instructions

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Thank you for applying for the 2007 Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference awards program. Recognition of individuals, groups, and projects will be based on the following criteria:

State Neighborhood Project of the Year: effort that has made a significant impact on a neighborhood. This project can be the work of an individual or group.

State Neighborhood Organization of the Year: group effort that has made a significant impact on its surrounding community.

State Neighborhood Advocate of the Year: individual who has had a significant impact on their community during the past year. Individuals who have participated in one or multiple projects/roles are eligible. Individuals whose service is defined by its longevity are most appropriate for this award. To apply for these awards please submit:

- A Completed Nomination Form
- A typed document clearly addressing the following criteria. Please limit answers to each of the following categories to 750 words or less:
 - (1) What did you do and what were your goals? Describe what prompted the creation of this initiative, time frame to conceive and implement; technology used and include a budget if you had one. Tell why it should be the winner!
 - (2) How did you accomplish this? This should include obstacles overcome, explain your strategies, tell us how you got others involved, partnerships developed, etc. Give specific examples.
 - (3) What were the results of this initiative? Show specific measurable outcomes if you have them using graphs, charts etc...
 - (4) Tell us will you do this project again and what are you doing or have you done to sustain the initiative of volunteering in the betterment of your neighborhood and/or community.
- Letter of support from partners. Do not exceed 5 letters of support. The letters should identify the value of the partnership and how the relationship benefited the neighborhood and/or surrounding community.
- Submit up to five attachments (pamphlets, articles, presentation with photographs, etc.) that capture the essence of the accomplishments, information you prepared to advertise an event, etc...

State Neighborhood Youth (INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP) Effort of the Year: project that has made a noteworthy contribution to a neighborhood. In addition to the requirements above, ALL YOUTH APPLICATIONS must ALSO INCLUDE the following:

- A letter of an endorsement from an adult EITHER the nominee's sponsor or an adult active with the initiative. The letter should address the following but not exceed 2 pages: (1) How did the nominee serve a leadership role. (2) Did the nominee's accomplishments promote partnerships? Which ones and will they sustain the project? (3) Tell what positive results/accomplishments took place that were a direct result of the nominee's contribution in being a part of the project. Did their success exceed your expectations? How?