



Media Release

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Nominations sought for Arkansas Community Service Awards

Nominations are now being accepted for the 35th Arkansas Community Service Awards (CSA), which honor Arkansans dedicated to volunteer service. Any member of the general public may submit nominations. Since 1978, the Arkansas Community Service Awards have been presented annually to three categories of recipients: **Individual adults, youth and corporations**. Award winners are selected based on outstanding volunteer service that demonstrates conscientiousness and unselfishness for their home communities and exemplifies the highest ideals of humanitarianism.

A committee of notable community leaders and volunteers statewide, including past CSA honorees, will select this year's winners. All candidates are judged according to specified nomination guidelines and nomination instructions can be found on the Department of Human Services Division of Community Services & Nonprofit Support (DCSNS) website <http://www.humanservices.arkansas.gov/dcsns>. DCSNS, the Governor's Office and Channel 4 KARK-TV sponsor the event.

Each month a winner will be selected from all the nominations and highlighted on KARK. The earlier you get your nominations in, the more chances they will have of being selected as a monthly winner! The committee will select final honorees in each category from the monthly winners to be recognized at the ceremony July 20, 2012. Nomination forms are available online at the DCSNS website. Click the "Arkansas Community Service Awards" link listed under Programs. Forms also may be requested by writing Arkansas Community Service Awards, DHS DCSNS, Box 1437, Slot S-230, Little Rock, AR 72203; emailing amanda.may@arkansas.gov or calling DCSNS at 501-320-6599.

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