County of Peterborough 2016 Recognition Awards Program

Eligibility Criteria: Nominations will be accepted for any resident or group residing in the County of Peterborough who has raised the profile or made an extraordinary contribution to our Community. The nominee shall not have received a County of Peterborough Recognition Award for a similar category within the last fifteen years.

Categories: There shall be one award for each Municipality in each category unless stated otherwise. Please review the categories shown below, complete and sign the Nomination form, submitting it, along with copies of any newspaper articles or other documents to the Clerk.

Accessibility Recognition: A group, individual or business who has contributed to accessibility improvements within the County of Peterborough. (One County-wide award.)

Acts of Heroism: An individual who has displayed bravery in the face of personal risk, injury or death at an incident that took place either in the County of Peterborough or was to the benefit of a Peterborough County resident and which action did not occur while the individual was acting in his/her professional capacity while on duty. (Unlimited nominations.)

Agricultural Leadership: Any individual or farm enterprise is eligible to be nominated in this category. Factors that will be used to assess the nomination will include such items as innovations, agricultural promotion and the recognition brought to the County through its operation. It may include involvement in agricultural organizations. Leadership in the agricultural community will also be considered.

Business Leadership / Entrepreneurial Innovation: Any new and successful initiatives of both new and established businesses that have made outstanding contributions to the County, including tourism promotion.

Community Volunteer of the Year: Any group or individual who has demonstrated community involvement or volunteerism within the County.

Environmental/Sustainability Recognition: Nominees will have demonstrated innovation and/or leadership in environmental conservation, stewardship and sustainability by having:

- Developed innovative green technologies or
- Started businesses to support and encourage sustainable living, or
- Donated conservation lands or easements or
- Undertaken ecosystem restoration or research or
- Educated others about the importance of protecting the environment or
- Achieved the overall vision for sustainability through one of the identified theme areas set out in the Sustainable Peterborough Plan: Agriculture and Local Food; Climate Change; Cultural Assets; Economic Development and Employment; Healthy Communities; Land Use Planning; Natural Assets; Energy; Transportation; Waste; and Water. (One County-wide award.)

Heritage Preservation: An individual or group who has promoted heritage and preserves the history of Peterborough County. This could include, but is not limited to, Fairboards, Women's Institutes, historical societies, etc. A community, public or private organization which has reached a significant milestone such as 100th anniversary of the organization is also eligible for this award.

Leadership in Arts and Culture: A group or individual who has demonstrated excellence in the arts and brought recognition to the County.

Sporting Excellence: Any team or individual who has won a provincial, national or international sporting event. (One County-wide award.)

Youth: A person aged 25 years or younger who has contributed to the betterment of the community and/or school environment.

Nomination Process: The Peterborough County Awards and Bursaries Committee will review the Nominations and make recommendations to County Council. County Council will select the recipients and the announcements of the successful recipients will be made in May.

The 2016 Recognition Awards Ceremony will take place on:

Friday, May 27, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Havelock Community Centre 39 George Street, Havelock, Ontario K0L 1Z0

Interested in nominating a County resident or County group?

Nomination Forms: The 2016 Nomination forms are available from the County of Peterborough website at www.county.peterborough.on.ca (Go to Popular Topics > Hit Down Arrow to Recognition Awards & Bursary Awards > Click on the link for the Recognition Awards Nomination Form). This form can be completed online but cannot be submitted electronically from the website.

Nomination forms are also available from:

Local Municipal offices

Township Fire Chiefs

Local Police Services Boards

Libraries

- Schools

Chambers of Commerce

Community Care organizations

County Clerk

Please forward your completed and signed nomination form with supporting documents to:

County of Peterborough
County Court House
c/o County Clerk
470 Water Street
Peterborough, Ontario K9H 3M3

Nominations will also be accepted by fax or email:

Fax: 705-876-1730

E-mail: info@county.peterborough.on.ca

Deadline for receipt of nominations is March 15th, 2016.

Thank you for taking the time to submit your nomination.

If you have any questions, please contact the County Administration Department, Clerk's Division at 705-743-0380.