



Recognition Award Nomination Guidelines

What are “Put the You into Youth” Recognition Awards?

“Put the You into Youth” was designed to promote Positive Youth Development. Everyone can and should help youth build assets. This award recognizes those who go above and beyond to promote positive youth development. We encourage you to nominate someone from the community. The award will recognize a person, group of persons, or an organization in recognition of an outstanding contribution to the positive development of youth through asset building.

All young people need multiple caring adults in their lives to encourage and support their efforts. Many adults also go above and beyond the call of duty by building assets in youth every day, not because of their job, but because they love young people! Winners of this award are asset-building champions who stand as role models youth and for other adults. It isn't always the big things these people do, but the little things, day after day to make kids feel good about themselves and learn challenging lessons in life.

What is Positive Youth Development?

Positive youth development is the healthy development of youth through relationships and opportunities they experience in a caring and empowering environment. Positive youth development reflects our community's way of thinking about our youth ... how we work with youth, how we value youth, and how youth value themselves.

What are the Assets?

Assets are the building blocks that youth need to grow up healthy, competent, and caring. Positive youth development makes the community healthier by building a safe and supportive environment for our young people. (Visit www.glcyd.org and click on 40 Developmental Assets on the menu.)

Why are they important?

Recognition Awards and Nominations

Awards are given on a monthly basis. A committee of community members review the nominations and make the selections. Nominations can be made at any time online at www.glcyd.org or by completing a nomination form available at the GLCYD office.

Eligibility

Youth, adults, or organizations are eligible for the awards. The recipient person(s) or organization must reside in Marquette or Alger County. Those chosen for the awards are recognized for being outstanding examples of “Putting the You into Youth”.

Notification

The winner will be personally notified, and receive a “Put the You into Youth” balloon bouquet, along with a special certificate commemorating the award. Award winners will be highlighted in the news media of their local community.

Recognition Award Nomination Form

Date: _____

1. Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____

2. Name of Nominator: _____

3. Organization: (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____

Please indicate why the person, group or organization you are nominating should receive the "PYIY" Please type or print your nomination. Please keep the length to one page.

Return to: Great Lakes Center for Youth Development, 307 S. Front Street, Marquette, MI, 49855. Fax: 906-228-7712 Email: kwilliams@glcyd.org.

Consider the categories below when completing your nomination. Narratives should include specific examples when applicable.

Asset building - How has nominee built assets in youth? Please see our website www.glcyd.org for a listing and description of the 40 Developmental Assets.

Accomplishments/Impact – What has the nominee achieved? Has nominee engaged youth? How has nominee improved the lives of youth?

Mentor – How has nominee served as a role model for youth (and adults)?

Service to others – Giving of time, talent and treasure to youth. What has nominee contributed to the positive development of youth?

Leadership – Has nominee started new program, taken initiative, or encouraged others to join in practicing positive youth development?

Commitment – How much time has nominee spent building assets in youth? For how many years has nominee been promoting positive development with youth?