

1st Annual Mayor's Day of Volunteer Recognition

The city of Bryant is well known for its schools, local businesses and its heritage, but its greatest commodity of all is people reside here. Those people who give, above and beyond. They are essentially the backbone that continues to build our communities and keep us positioned as one of the top cities to live in within Arkansas.

This is why we are excited to announce the **1st Annual Mayor's Day of Volunteer Recognition** and we need your help to identify who should be this year's **City of Bryant- Volunteer of the Year**.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. The Volunteer of the year awards, nominations are open to individual that:
 - a. Live or reside within the City Limits of Bryant.
 - b. Live or reside outside of city limits but work or contribute to the City of Bryant Community.
2. The nominee must have contributed to the community in a volunteer or honorary capacity. The award will NOT be given to any person who receives payment for their services. Individuals involved in court mandated services are also ineligible.
3. Students receiving course credit are eligible only if the volunteer service extends beyond course/degree requirements.
4. All aspects of the form must be completed
5. You cannot nominate yourself and there are certain people who are ineligible to be nominated. These include:
 - a. City of Bryant employees and their immediate families.
 - b. Members of the judging panel and their immediate families.
 - c. Members of the current council.

There is no age, gender or racial barriers for these awards

WHO CAN NOMINATE:

Anyone is eligible to nominate volunteers, except for the following people

1. Members of the judging panel.
2. Employees of the City of Bryant.

AWARD CRITERIA

There will be 3 categories –

Junior Volunteer of the Year (Under 18 years of age)

Youth Volunteer of the Year (18-25 years of age)

Volunteer of the Year (Over 25 years)

- Noteworthy involvement in the local community.
- Significant impact which has added value to community life.
- Inspiring efforts to enhance community life.

Application Procedure :

1. Nomination forms may be obtained in person at The Chamber of Commerce or at the Front Desk of Bishop Park.
2. On the City of Bryant website at www.cityofbryant.org
3. Form must be completed in its entirety. Not completing the form may result in disqualification.
4. You may nominate more than one person, however only one applicant per form will be considered.
5. Be brief clear and specific in the description. Be sure to share as many unique things as possible and use specific examples of your nominees service. You may use additional space if necessary.

Applications close at 4:00 PM on Wednesday November 20th

TIMELINE

Late October - Letters and guidelines and nomination forms sent to volunteer groups. Promotion to local media

November 20th - Closing date for nominees

December- Formal approval of the winners

December 17th- 1st Annual Mayor's Day of Recognition- All nominees will receive a certificate and an invitation to awards ceremony. All nominees will receive a recognition certificate from the mayor and an invitation to the Mayors Day of Recognition event. Winners will receive a certificate and

engraved trophy to be presented at the Mayors Day of Volunteer Recognition event.

Nomination Form

1. Please list the details of the nominee’s activities during 2013 :

2. Describe the need for the services or activities performed by the nominee.

3. Describe the specific results and/or achievements of the work performed by the nominee.

4. Please describe in detail any innovative or creative aspects of the nominee’s activities and/or accomplishments.
