

February 2010

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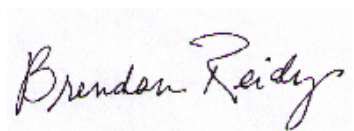
The Volunteer Center of Southwestern Fairfield County invites your participation in identifying outstanding nominees for the **Thirteenth Annual Greenwich Volunteer Day Awards** to be presented at a reception on **Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.** in the Town Hall Meeting Room. In the fast-paced world where we live and work, those who serve their Greenwich neighbors are rarely rewarded for their selfless efforts. We invite you to help us recognize these outstanding individuals who devote their valuable time to benefit the Greenwich community.

**Greenwich Volunteer Recognition Day Awards** will be presented in five divisions: youth, adult, senior, volunteering couples and volunteering families. In the first three divisions there will be two categories: new and established volunteers. A total of ten awards will be presented. A selection committee will review the nominations on the basis of achievement, commitment to the Greenwich community, caring, and creativity.

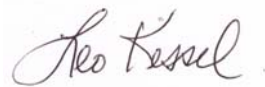
We have enclosed an official nomination form. Feel free to nominate as many volunteers as you like. Please email nominations to Stefanie Docimo at [Stefanie@ucanhhelp.org](mailto:Stefanie@ucanhhelp.org), fax them to (203) 967-9507 or mail them to The Volunteer Center **by February 26, 2010, at 12:00 noon**, in order to allow time for review. We will notify award winners by telephone or email by early March. Would you take a few moments to nominate a volunteer whose hard work and dedication deserves official and public recognition?

*With your nomination, please include a description of your organization of **25 words or less** for inclusion in the program. This will allow us to shorten the speeches. If you submitted a description last year and would like to use the same one, please let us know. Thank you!*

Sincerely,



Brendan Reidy  
Chair  
Greenwich Volunteer Day 2010



Leo Kessel  
Chair  
Board of Directors

Enclosures

## **GREENWICH VOLUNTEER DAY AWARDS 2010**

### **AWARD DESCRIPTIONS**

**The following awards will be presented at the Thirteenth Annual  
“Greenwich Volunteer Day Awards” event:**

### **AWARD CATEGORIES:**

#### **Outstanding Individual Youth or Youth Group Volunteer**

Recognizes the achievement and dedication of an individual youth, or youth group volunteers, 18 years or younger, who have contributed to the improvement of the Greenwich community through volunteerism.

#### **Outstanding Individual Adult or Adult Group Volunteers**

Recognizes the achievement and dedication of individuals or groups, 19 to 61 years, who have contributed to the improvement of the Greenwich community through volunteerism.

#### **Outstanding Individual Senior or Senior Group Volunteers**

Recognizes the achievement and dedication of individual seniors or senior groups, 62 years or older, who have contributed to the improvement of the Greenwich community through volunteerism.

#### **Outstanding Volunteering Couple**

Recognizes the achievement and dedication of a couple who has contributed to the improvement of the Greenwich community through volunteerism.

#### **Outstanding Volunteering Family**

Recognizes the achievement and dedication of a family who has contributed to the improvement of the Greenwich community through volunteerism.

### **DIVISIONS WITHIN THE FIRST THREE CATEGORIES:**

**New Volunteers:** Under one year of voluntary service

**Established Volunteers:** Over one year of voluntary service

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Any individuals or groups actively involved in volunteer service benefiting the Greenwich community, a Greenwich organization or an organization that benefits the Greenwich community.
- Individuals or groups may be nominated for work done during the twelve months ending February 1, 2010.
- Individuals or groups paid cash compensation for their volunteer activities (other than reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses) will not be eligible.

### **NOMINATIONS:**

Complete the official nomination form and attach a statement of no more than 500 words describing the merits of the individual or group nominated. Include information about the location of the volunteer activity, length of volunteer commitment, hours invested and who was served by the activity. Address how the nominee improved the Greenwich community through service. Please try to attach unique, poignant stories about the nominee's volunteer work, preferably from the person or persons who benefit from those efforts.

**The deadline for nominations is February 26 at 12:00 noon. We will notify award winners by telephone or email by early March.**

## **GREENWICH VOLUNTEER DAY AWARDS SELECTION CRITERIA**

Winners will be selected based on the following qualities:

- \* **Achievement**  
The nominee's actual accomplishment of desired results.
- \* **Action**  
The involvement of the nominee was active and hands-on, not just a figurehead.
- \* **Caring**  
As demonstrated by the nominee's interaction with others.
- \* **Commitment**  
The nominee's sincere belief in the cause.
- \* **Impact**  
The nominee's activity or program produced positive changes, provided examples for other groups.
- \* **Initiative**  
The nominee recognized a need in the Greenwich community and initiated new programs or activities to meet that need; or the nominee revitalized existing programs through creativity.
- \* **Leadership**  
The nominee demonstrated singular leadership to mobilize volunteers to contribute service to the Greenwich community.
- \* **Joy**  
The nominee demonstrated an unselfish willingness to do whatever was needed.
- \* **Need**  
Nominee contributed a needed service to the Greenwich community.
- \* **Time**  
The time was contributed consistently by the nominee.

**GREENWICH VOLUNTEER DAY AWARDS**  
**In Appreciation, Recognition and Encouragement of our Volunteers!**

Copies of this form may be used. If you would like to receive this form via email please see information on reverse side. **Nomination must be filled out completely and legibly (please print or type only). Use one form for each nomination. Any incomplete nomination form will be disqualified.** Individuals or groups may nominate more than one candidate or nominate themselves. The Selection Committee may request additional information from nominees, nominators or the volunteers' organizations. The Selection Committee's decision is final. Nomination forms and supplementary information become property of The Volunteer Center and will not be returned. Pertinent supplementary information attached with nomination form must be restricted to **4 pages or less**. This may include letters, newspaper clippings, photos, etc. Videotapes will not be accepted. **Please add a description of your organization in 25 words or less.**

**Entries must be received no later than February 26, 2010 at 12:00 noon.**

**NOMINEE:**

**Individual Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if under 19 yrs): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated for work with which Agency or Organization \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

**Group or Couple or Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated for work with which Agency or Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Award Division - Please check the appropriate division:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Outstanding Individual or Youth Group Volunteers: 18 years or younger

\_\_\_\_\_ Outstanding Individual or Adult Group Volunteers: 19 years to 61 years

\_\_\_\_\_ Outstanding Individual or Senior Group Volunteers: 62 years or older

\_\_\_\_\_ Outstanding Volunteering Couple

\_\_\_\_\_ Outstanding Volunteering Family

**Award Category - Please check the appropriate category:**

\_\_\_\_\_ New Volunteers: under one year of volunteer service

\_\_\_\_\_ Established Volunteers: over one year of volunteer service

**NOMINATED BY:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Agency or Organization \_\_\_\_\_

**Continued on reverse**

