

SOCIAL WORK AWARDS CRITERIA

CRITERIA FOR SOCIAL WORKER OF THE YEAR

The award recipient must make a demonstrable difference in such areas as:

- Advocacy for clients;**
- Social policy;**
- Social work practice;**
- Program development;**
- Administration;**
- Research;**
- Demonstrate outstanding leadership;**
- Contribute to a positive image for the social work profession;**
- Take risks to achieve outstanding results;**
- Be a current NASW member in good ethical standing, and not currently serving on the local or state CONLI Committee.**

CRITERIA FOR SOCIAL WORK STUDENT OF THE YEAR

The award recipient must make a demonstrable difference in such areas as:

- Advocacy for clients;**
- Social policy;**
- Social work practice;**
- Program development;**
- Administration;**
- Research;**
- Demonstrate outstanding leadership;**
- Contribute to a positive image for the social work profession;**
- Take risks to achieve outstanding results;**
- Be a current NASW member in good ethical standing, a current student at a CSWE accredited school, and not currently serving on the local or state CONLI Committee.**

CRITERIA FOR SOCIAL WORK EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

The award recipient must:

- Make a significant contribution to social work education;**
- Demonstrate outstanding leadership;**
- Contribute to a positive image for the social work profession;**
- Take risks to achieve outstanding results on behalf of social work students or social work education;**
- Be a current NASW member and affiliated with a CSWE accredited college or university, and not currently serving on the local or state CONLI Committee.**

CRITERIA FOR PUBLIC CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The award recipient must make a significant contribution to an area or population of concern to the social work profession such as:

- At-risk or vulnerable populations;**
- Quality of life in communities;**
- Social issues;**
- Act with courage;**
- Demonstrate outstanding leadership;**
- Exemplify social work values and ethics.**

CRITERIA FOR ELECTED OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

The award recipient must:

- Be an elected official serving, at the time of nomination, in public office at the local, state, or national level;**
- Make a significant contribution to public service while in office;**
- Demonstrate leadership in advancing public policy in the area of vulnerable populations, civil and human rights, or social welfare;**
- Demonstrate leadership on behalf of the protection and advancement of social work practice;**
- Exemplify social work values and ethics.**