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 CCNLI 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 CCNLI 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 CCNLI 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.