

Has someone touched your *Heart?*

The LaGrange County Community Foundation wishes to identify and honor everyday citizens in our community who touch the hearts of others.

Heart of Gold Awards recognize people who unselfishly give of themselves to serve others, collectively or individually, with volunteer acts of service and/or kindness beyond the call of duty.

Any person, regardless of age, who enhances the quality of life of others is eligible for nomination. Such acts of service may go largely unnoticed and include, but are not limited to: helping senior citizens or disadvantaged persons, working to improve the quality of education, expanding recreation and cultural opportunities, working with children, protecting the environment, increasing jobs in the community, promoting public safety, and unusual acts of kindness.

What do Heart of *Gold* recipients receive?

All Heart of Gold nominees will be recognized and honored for their contribution to the community at the Heart of Gold award ceremony Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Shipshewana Event Center.

One nominee will be selected to be the Heart of Gold Award recipient and will have the opportunity to direct a \$1,000 grant to the LaGrange County charity of his or her choice from an approved list provided by LaGrange County Community Foundation.

What are the selection *Criteria* for Heart of Gold Awards?

When selecting the recipient, the Board of Directors will look for a nominee who:

- Identifies a need and fulfills it;
- Recognizes and acts upon opportunities;
- Shares time and energy for the sake of others;
- Overcomes unusual challenges in serving others;
- Renders a service which changes lives;
- Works to create positive change;
- Inspires others to volunteer;
- Performs an exceptional act of kindness.

How can I *N*ominate someone for the Heart of Gold Award?

To help the LCCF Board of Directors recognize your nominee's efforts, you may find the following suggestions helpful:

- State the reasons this person fits the description of having a "Heart of Gold";
- Please type or write clearly. Provide as much information and as many specific examples as possible. Nominations with brief or incomplete information may not be given as much consideration as thorough nominations.
- Submit your nomination form by the deadline of 5 p.m. on Wednesday, September 5, 2018;
- Your narrative should be suitable for a public audience and may be made available to local newspapers;
- Nominations will not be accepted from family members nor for prior recipients of this award. **Nominations also will be not be accepted for groups. Only individuals can be nominated.**
- **Nominations can also be made online at lccf.net/heart-of-gold-nomination**

The *Heart of Gold* Award

2018 Nomination Form

Name of Heart of Gold Nominee _____

Address _____


Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

My Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Relationship to the Nominee _____

My Heart of Gold nominee has touched hearts in LaGrange County in the following ways:
(Tell us your reason for nomination and why he/she deserves this award. Please be as specific as you can.)



Please, include copies of letters, photos, newspaper clippings or other materials which might help tell your nominee's story. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

Mail to: LaGrange County Community Foundation, 109 E Central Ave., Ste.3, LaGrange, IN 46761

Completed forms must be received by Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 5 p.m.