

The *Heart of Gold* Award

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 Annual Dinner on August 31st.

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.

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. However, this not an essay contest— no points are given for the narrative style.
- Submit your nomination form by the deadline of July 1, 2021.
- 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, prior recipients of this award or for groups.

(If you are unsure about how to fill out the application or unable to do so for any reason, please call the LCCF office at 463-4363 and a staff member will assist you.)

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2021 Nomination Form

Name of Heart of Gold Nominee _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

My Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Tell us why your nominee deserves this award. Please be as specific as you can and provide specific examples of service. Nominations with brief information may not be given as much consideration as thorough nominations.



Nominations can also be submitted online

Visit www.lccf.net/heart-of-gold



Please, include photo copies of letters, 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, 0045 N 250 W, LaGrange, IN 46761

Completed forms must be received by July 1, 2021.