



The Municipality of Central Elgin Growing Together, Volunteer Service, Citizen Achievement & Distinguished Citizen Awards

Awards Description

Purpose

The purpose of these awards is to recognize and honour individual who have made a significant community contribution in the Municipality of Central Elgin.

Nomination Process

Each year, the Municipality of Central Elgin searches for nominees throughout the community, and also accepts nominations. To nominate a candidate for any of the categories described below, please fill out a nomination form explaining why the candidate is deserving of recognition. Please return the form to the Municipality of Central Elgin office by Friday June 14th, 2019.

Nominators will be advised of the status of their application in early autumn. Award recipients will receive a letter by mail from the municipality and will be recognized at a regular council meeting and/or an Awards Reception held in the autumn.

Award Descriptions

Citizen Achievement Awards

Arts & Cultural Achievement

Recognition will be given to individuals or groups in Central Elgin whose involvement in arts and culture has commissioned works, or received acclaim in competition, judged shows, or exhibition. Artists may receive financial remuneration for their work. To receive this award, accomplishments must have been made within the past year.

Sports Achievement

Recognition will be given to individual or team residents of Central Elgin who have garnered recognition at the provincial, national or international levels in sport. To receive this award, accomplishments must have been made within the past year.

Distinguished Citizen Award

Recognition will be given to Central Elgin residents who have contributed in a meaningful way to the Central Elgin Community. These individuals may not fit the volunteer criteria, however their selfless efforts are deserving of recognition.

Youth Award

Awarded to youth (under the age of 18) who have actively demonstrated strong leadership skills, creativity, determination, generosity and a desire to make a difference within their communities.

Volunteer Service Award

Recognition will be given to individuals who have contributed a significant amount of volunteer time and energy towards the development of community life in Central Elgin. Candidates for this award need not be residents of Central Elgin. They will have made significant contributions to organizations such as Meals on Wheels, Service Clubs, Home & School Associations, Youth Groups; been a Guides and/or Scouts leader or Minor Sports Coach; and/or volunteered in a capacity such as chairing, organizing, or promoting non-profit arts and culture organizations. These volunteers must not have received financial remuneration for their efforts other than reimbursement for travel, lodging, equipment, or supplies.

Growing Together Awards

Tidiness

Recognition is given to individuals making a special effort to keep the community clean and neat-looking, who, for example, pick up trash from along the road, control weeds in public areas, remove unsightly posters or graffiti, or prevent vandalism.

Environmental Awareness

This award goes to someone who has made a special effort in areas such as waste reduction, recycling, and prevention of environmental contamination and pollution. They may have helped to maintain and promote the natural environment of Central Elgin by protecting plants and animals in their natural habitats.

Gardens/Landscaping - Residential

Recognition will be given to individuals who take pride in their gardens. The award includes all types of flowering annuals or perennials, bulbs, ornamental grasses, trees, shrubs, gardens, parks, or country vistas with an overall design suitable for the use and location. Gardens may include displays of flower beds, containers, window boxes and it considers originality, diversity and balance, harmony, and quality.

Gardens/Landscaping – Commercial

Recognition will be given to businesses featuring an attractive entrance and welcoming building, seasonal decorations, floral display, planters, and landscaping.

Carolinian Restoration

This award is given in recognition of efforts to re-establish Carolinian species on tracts of land large and small. This may include trees, tall grass prairie plants, or wetlands native to the Carolinian Life Zone.

Special Projects

This award goes to special projects that add significant value to the community, and may include gardens, quilts, or events.



Needing More Information?

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