



WILLFUL Foundation Community Awards

Guidelines

Community members are asked to designate a deserving person they might wish to nominate for the WILLFUL Foundation Service Awards (Unsung Hero Award, Zettie Mae Fuller Resilience Award, and William A. Fuller Selfless Service Award). These awards are not designed to only recognize individuals of a particular ethnicity and or gender. Instead, the best qualified individual should be recommended who epitomized high qualities and core values. Typical considerations to address include, but are not limited to, the following:

Purpose

Awards are presented to a community member who exemplifies leadership and has positively influenced change through community involvement. The recipient of this award has helped the community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. This person has exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional, and social growth. Nomination materials should include a description of specific examples of how the nominee has embodied the description above.

Awards

Unsung Hero Award recognizes a person who have positively influenced a program or organization from behind the scenes with a positive attitude, a willingness to help in whatever capacity necessary, and a commitment to excellence. Additionally, Unsung Heroes will come from outside the mainstream of political groups, non-profit organizations, and trade associations– especially people for whom public policy is a passion, and not a paid position (paid staff of such organizations are ineligible).

Zettie Mae Fuller Resilience Award recognizes a person who have shown resilience and determination in overcoming difficult obstacles to survive, adapt, and grow in the face of stress and shocks, and even transform when conditions require it.

William A. Fuller Selfless Service Award recognizes a person who have shown a genuine and deep desire to help and be of service to others without any thought whatsoever of reward or self-gratification.

Nomination Period

Accomplishments must cover the nominating period (**October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017**)



Selection Criteria

WILLFUL Foundation Service Awards are given to recognize community members for their performance, give specific examples that address the award criteria and elaborate on why the nominee's accomplishments are worthy of the award. These examples should include outcomes, results, and/or activities which demonstrate the nominee's willingness to go 'above and beyond'. Include qualities that make this person outstanding, and that are clearly relevant to the award criteria (e.g., contribution, team-building, collaboration, initiative, and leadership). Consider including the following evidence to answer the 'who, what, when, where, why's in your supporting statements:

- WHAT did the nominee do (e.g., projects, activities)?
 - Projects and/or activities above and beyond the nominee's job description
 - Any challenges or issues encountered and overcome
- HOW did they do it?
 - Initiative and/or leadership
 - Teamwork
 - Creativity and/or innovation
 - Behaviors and/or attitudes (should not dominate write-up)
- WHAT were the results and/or impact?
 - What did the nominee's efforts accomplish?
 - Are there specific benefits that the community has derived from those efforts?

Eligibility

Nominations must be in the name of a single individual, thirteen (13) years of age or older at the time of nomination. Nominees cannot have previously been selected as a Finalist or Winner ("Eligible Nominees"). Groups and organizations are ineligible for consideration. Self-nominations and relatives of officers, staff or volunteers will not be accepted. Prior award winners are ineligible. Nominees must either be residents of Marlboro County (SC) or Richmond County (NC) OR their activities and contributions must have directly served the citizens of Marlboro and/or Richmond Counties.

Application Deadline

The deadline for submission of completed applications is **Sunday, September 30, 2017**. All nomination packets must be submitted to the WILLFUL Foundation via email, SUBJECT: WILLFUL Foundation Community Awards at: info@willfulfoundation.org. For additional information, please send an email or contact us at: (800) 441-9904.

*****AWARD WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE WILLFUL FOUNDATION 2ND ANNUAL BENEFIT SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS GALA HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2017 AT THE BENNETTSVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER, 714 N MARLBORO ST., BENNETTSVILLE, SC*****



WILLFUL FOUNDATION AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Please circle the name of WILLFUL Community Award you are nominating individual for:

Unsung Hero Award

Zettie Mae Fuller Resilience Award

William A. Fuller Selfless Service Award

Nominee

- Name & Title/Position: _____
- Department/Organization: _____

Nominating Official

- Name & Title: _____
- Contact Info including email: _____

Submission Packet:

- 1) Nomination Form
- 2) Narrative: A one to two page, single-spaced narrative describing the nominee's accomplishments warranting this recognition (Microsoft word document not to exceed two pages, 12-pitch Arial font, with 1 inch left and right margins).
- 3) Biography: A single-spaced biography of the nominee (Microsoft word document not to exceed one page).
- 4) Photo: A current digital (600 dpi .jpg format) official head and shoulder, color photograph of the nominee.

Describe how the employee has demonstrated one or more of the criteria listed above, using specific examples of how the individual demonstrates each noted characteristic. Please use as much detail as possible (you may wish to attach additional pages).