



NOMINATION INFORMATION FOR WICOMICO COUNTY RECREATION, PARKS, & TOURISM VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION AWARDS PROGRAM

AWARDS TO BE GIVEN

- **Recreation Council Volunteer** – An individual who has provided outstanding service to a Wicomico County Recreation Council and/or one or more of that Council's programs or initiatives.
- **Environmental Improvement Volunteer** – This individual, through their efforts and initiatives has contributed to the environmental wellbeing of Wicomico County's natural resources.
- **Tourism Volunteer** – This individual or organization has made a considerable contribution to the expansion and support of the Tourism Industry in Wicomico County.
- **Sports Coach Volunteer** – This individual has contributed well above and beyond the duties of a coach. They have made substantial quality contributions to their team(s) and/or league(s).
- **Citizen Volunteer** – This citizen has made a significant contribution toward the mission of Recreation, Parks and Tourism.
- **Civic or Business Booster** – This organization has made significant contributions towards Recreation, Parks and Tourism programs, events or initiatives, either monetarily or otherwise.
- **Civic Center Volunteer** – This individual has made a significant contribution of their time and effort toward the betterment of the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center.
- **Community Volunteer** – This individual has made a significant contribution to the quality of life and leisure opportunities in Wicomico County, while not being directly involved with a Recreation, Parks and Tourism program, event or board.
- **Youth Volunteer** – This youth individual under the age of 18 has made significant contributions towards a Recreation, Parks, and Tourism program, event, council, park, or league.
- **Youth Coach Sportsmanship** – This individual exemplifies and teaches sportsmanship as an integral part of the youth sports experience. Humble in victory and proud in defeat, this coach sets an outstanding example for all participants to follow.
- **Youth Sportsmanship** – This individual under the age of 18 years, sets an outstanding on and off the field example of sportsmanship for peers to follow.
- **Lorne C. Rickert Lifetime Volunteer Award** – This recipient has demonstrated exemplary public service in the area of parks, recreation, resource conservation or leisure services for a minimum of 20 years. A person may receive this award only once.

Who is eligible to receive a Volunteer Appreciation Award?

- Anyone who has volunteered his/her time, and energy to programs sponsored by the Department of Recreation, Parks, & Tourism, or a Recreation Council. (Current members of the Recreation Commission are excluded from consideration.)
- A business or civic organization that has sponsored recreation programs or activities.
- A youth participant (18 years and under), and youth coach of a sports league for displaying outstanding sportsmanship.
- Community Volunteer - An individual will be recognized for outstanding service (minimum of 2 years) to a local community park, recreation or leisure program within Wicomico County. Emphasis on leadership and/or significant contribution to an activity or program. The individual does not have to be involved with Wicomico County Recreation, Parks and Tourism.

Who may make a nomination?

Anyone may make a nomination with the exception of current Wicomico County Recreation Commission members.

The Awards Committee is comprised of four members of the Recreation Commission. Committee members are appointed by the Chairman of the Commission and are responsible for choosing the award winners.

The awards will be presented at an Awards banquet to be held in December. All nominees will be invited to the banquet, and award winners will be announced during the event. Award recipients will receive a recognition plaque; have their names placed on a commemorative plaque on display in the Recreation, Parks, & Tourism office, and will be nominated for state-level awards.

