The Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship

PURPOSE
Provincial honours are a memorable and distinctive way for the government of Ontario to thank and pay special tribute to those Ontarians whose lives exemplify excellence and achievement of the highest order. The men and women we honour are truly representative of the province of Ontario’s caring and diverse society, and their lives and deeds stand as shining examples for us all.

In 1973, the government of Ontario established the Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship to recognize people who, through exceptional long-term efforts, have made outstanding contributions to the well being of their communities. Their assistance is given without expectation of remuneration or reward.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?
Nominees must be residents of Ontario. No elected federal, provincial or municipal representative may be awarded the Medal while such person remains in office. The Medal is not awarded for acts of bravery. Self-nominations will not be accepted. No person shall be awarded the Medal posthumously unless death occurs after his or her name has been selected by the Advisory Council.

HOW ARE RECIPIENTS SELECTED?
An independent Advisory Council considers all nominations. The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario is the Honorary Chair of the Advisory Council.

WHEN ARE THE AWARDS PRESENTED?
The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario presents recipients with a medal at a ceremony held in the Provincial Legislative Building. Award recipients are notified by phone in advance of the ceremony.

WHEN IS THE DEADLINE?
Any person or organization can nominate an individual by completing the following nomination form and sending it to the address below. The deadline submission is July 17 of each year. All nominations received after the deadline date will be considered the following year. Please send originals by mail or courier.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?
Additional information and nomination forms may be obtained by contacting the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat at 416 314-7526 or visiting www.citizenship.gov.on.ca
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NOMINATION FORM

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.18, s.4 and will be used to determine eligibility and notify recipients of the Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship. For further information, please contact the Manager at the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat at 416 314-6608. For service in French, please call 416 314-7529 or 416 212-3196.

Please print clearly and complete in full.

Name of Person being Nominated □ Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. □ Other _________________________

First Name: Last Name:

Name of Organization: Position:

Address: □ Business (9–5 pm) □ Home

City/Town: Province: Postal Code:

Telephone: □ Business (9–5 pm) □ Home Fax: E-mail:

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):

Short description of achievement (maximum 10 words):

Is your nominee a resident of Ontario? □ Yes □ No (specify) _________________________

Name of Nominator □ Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. □ Other _________________________

First Name: Last Name:

Name of Organization: Position:

Address: □ Business (9–5 pm) □ Home

City/Town: Province: Postal Code:

Telephone: □ Business (9–5 pm) □ Home Fax: E-mail:

Signature of Nominator: Date:
EACH NOMINATION MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

☐ The completed nomination form signed by the nominator (including the 10 word summary)

☐ Description of achievement (500 – 1000 words) describing:
  • an achievement which emphasizes and encourages the virtue of good citizenship by showing that the individual being nominated exemplifies that virtue;
  • the impact of the achievement and how the achievement enriched the lives of others;
  • what made this an outstanding achievement - indicate any extraordinary circumstances or challenges the nominee faced, if applicable include statistics or historical background;
  • how the nominee has touched the lives of others or their life;
  • examples of ongoing leadership and dedication;
  • how long you have known the nominee;
  • when the achievement was initiated and completed;

☐ A minimum of (2) two signed testimonials from (2) two separate individuals, other than the nominator, who have direct knowledge of the value and impact of the achievement and who support your nomination. Please ensure that the contact information (address, telephone number and e-mail) for the testimonial writers is included in the letter.

☐ Optional - additional material to support this nomination, such as additional testimonial letters (limit of (8) eight), publications, media stories, etc. Please list and label all material enclosed. Do not send videos or audio tapes. Do not send originals of important or official documents, as they will not be returned.

PLEASE NOTE: All materials MUST BE submitted unbound, on 8-1/2” X 11” paper and must be typed, reproduced or clearly handwritten.

Send the completed form and supporting material to:
Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat
Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration
400 University Avenue
4th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2R9

Completed nominations must be received by July 17 of each year.

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