



*They ask for no applause. They demand no payment.
They do good, not because it is their job, but because others are in need.*

**Do something good for them in return.
Nominate an Unsung Hero for a
Jefferson Award Today.**

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What is the Jefferson Award?

The Jefferson Awards were founded in 1972 by *Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, U.S. Senator Robert Taft, Jr. and Sam Beard*. The mission was to establish a nationally recognized award for outstanding community and public service.

Individuals are nominated through a nationwide network of Jefferson Awards Media Sponsors. Each media sponsor solicits nominations of individuals who work for the betterment of their communities through volunteer and public service.

The American Institute of Public Service selects one nominee from each sponsor to attend the Jefferson Awards National Celebration of Service in Washington D.C. Past recipients include in part *Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, Ken Burns, Paul Newman, Max Cleland, and John Carpenter*.

How to nominate someone

Only individuals are eligible for this award. Any local resident or organization can submit nominations. Simply complete the nomination form along with the following information:

1. A typewritten or computer letter (up to one full page) stating your reasons for this nomination. Be specific: cite clear examples of his or her volunteerism.
2. Include biographical material (not more than two pages) listing the nominee's public or community service.
3. Mail the package to:
Jefferson Awards
The Blade
541 N. Superior Street
Toledo, OH 43660

or email your nomination information to treagan@toledoblade.com

How winners are chosen

A panel of judges will review all nominations and select four local citizens to receive the local Jefferson Medallion at a formal awards banquet in March 2012. Information about these four honorees will be forwarded to the American Institute of Public Service in Washington, D.C. One of those individuals will be selected as the overall "Toledo Jefferson Award winner" and will be sent along with a guest to Washington on an all-expense-paid trip to receive the national award at the Institute's banquet this summer.

To learn more about the Jefferson Awards, visit toledoblade.com/Jefferson.

Jefferson Awards Nomination Form



I nominate _____ for a 2011 Jefferson Award.
Print or Type the Nominee's Name

Nominee's Phone Number _____

Nominee's Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Print or Type YOUR Name _____

Your Phone Number _____

Your Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Send to Jefferson Awards, The Blade, 541 N. Superior St. Toledo, OH 43660 or email to treagan@toledoblade.com

Deadline: Complete and send this nomination form and letter along with any supporting documentation before January 16, 2012.