



The Arc of Carroll County 2010 Community Awards Nomination Form

Submit Nominations by March 26, 2010 to:

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Name of award: _____

Nominee's name(s): _____

Nominee's address: _____

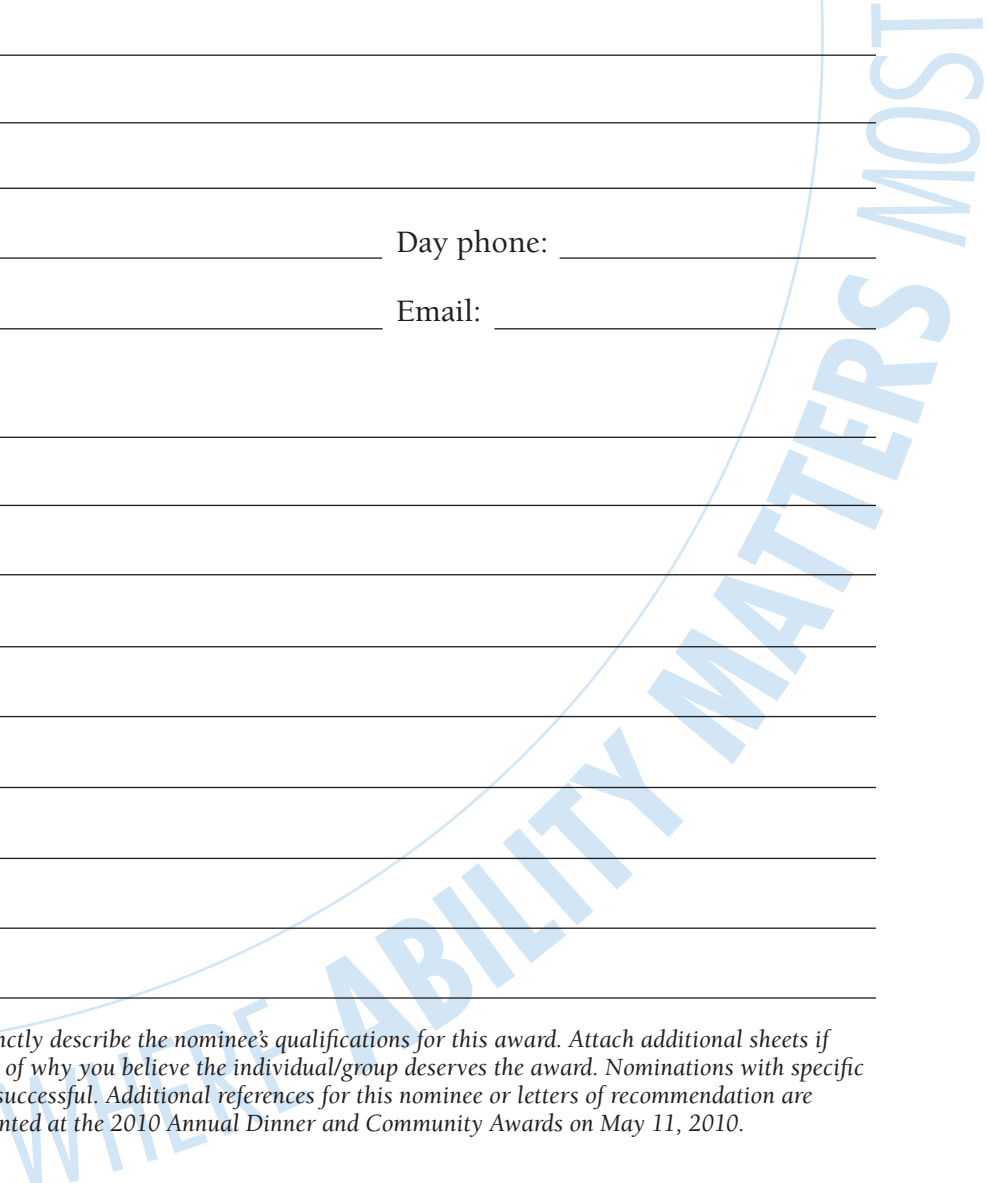
Nominee's day phone: _____

Nomination submitted by: _____ Day phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Nomination: _____

Please refer to the award description and succinctly describe the nominee's qualifications for this award. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Provide specific reasons or examples of why you believe the individual/group deserves the award. Nominations with specific examples of achievement are more likely to be successful. Additional references for this nominee or letters of recommendation are welcome but not required. Awards will be presented at the 2010 Annual Dinner and Community Awards on May 11, 2010.





2010 Community Awards Descriptions

Timothy J. Atkinson Award for Advocacy

Presented to a person who demonstrates in his/her profession outstanding advocacy, scholarship and leadership on behalf of persons with developmental disabilities. Recipient's activities should reflect a career of advocacy and must include the development and training of 'new' advocates. This person readily exemplifies courage, integrity, and a strong commitment to service on behalf of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

WAMM Special Appreciation Award

This award is presented to individuals or groups who have provided noteworthy efforts to The Arc of Carroll County and/or people with developmental disabilities and whose ongoing efforts and actions bring to life The Arc's tag line "Where Ability Matters Most." The person or group awarded will demonstrate superior efforts in assisting individuals with disabilities achieve a meaningful and enviable life. This award is intentionally broad to encourage nomination of anyone who has demonstrated outstanding effort that does not fit any other award category.

Spirit of Independence Award

This award is presented to an individual supported by The Arc who has improved his/her skills or has demonstrated determination in achieving his/her goals. This may be evident in increased productivity, acquisition of a new job or job skills, transition to independent living, etc.

Employer of the Year

This award is presented to a company that employs people with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Consideration is given to objectivity in hiring a person with a disability, providing fair wages and benefits, efforts to promote inclusion in the workplace, and access to training/promotion opportunities.

Special Education Professional of the Year

This award recognizes an education professional who has demonstrated excellence in providing quality educational opportunities and/or advocacy for students with developmental disabilities in Carroll County. This individual may be a teacher, administrator, support staff, or other education professional that has had a positive impact in the life of an individual student or a group of students.

Volunteer of the Year

This award is presented to individuals who demonstrate dedication to people with developmental disabilities through volunteer service to The Arc and/or Arc-supported individuals. Consideration will include hours of service, dependability, and commitment to the needs of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Public Service Award

This award is presented to individuals or groups with a high public profile who advance the public's understanding of people with developmental disabilities or who advocate for change that improves services or the overall quality of life for people with disabilities. Nominees may include elected officials, community leaders, the media, or others in a prominent or public role.