

# **Volunteer Jacksonville, Inc.**

## ***Heart of Gold Awards***

### ***2005 Nomination Form***

*For nearly a quarter of a century Volunteer Jacksonville has honored devoted volunteers from the Northeast Florida area. Be a part of the tradition. Take a few moments to tell us about the outstanding volunteer you know.*

#### **CELEBRATION OF SERVICE 2005**

Join us for an evening of volunteer appreciation and inspiration.

**Thursday, APRIL 7, 2005**

**VIP Reception~5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

**Awards and entertainment~ 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

**Moran Theatre**

**Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts**

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## **About the Heart of Gold Awards**

### ***Eligibility:***

- ✎ All nominees must have provided volunteer services to a nonprofit organization in the following counties: Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau and St. John's.
- ✎ Volunteer service cannot be a paid job function for the nominee.
- ✎ Nominations cannot be accepted if the nominee has received a Heart of Gold award within the last 2 years.
- ✎ Employees of Volunteer Jacksonville and their families are not eligible.

### ***Nomination Instructions:***

- ✎ The official nomination form must be filled out completely. Please print or type legibly. Well-written forms score higher with judges. Computerized versions of the original form will be accepted only if original space limitations of the form are observed.
- ✎ One nominee per form.
- ✎ Please **verify** all nominee contact information.
- ✎ Please do not send any support materials with the application. Support materials such as brochures, newspaper articles, photographs, newsletters, videotapes or letters of recommendation will be discarded.
- ✎ **Original nomination forms with original signature and 7 photocopies of each must be hand delivered or received by mail no later than 5:00 p.m. Monday, November 3, 2003.**
- ✎ Nomination forms are the property of Volunteer Jacksonville and will not be returned. We will notify the nominator when the nomination form has been received.
- ✎ Decisions made by the independent panel of community judges are final.
- ✎ Volunteer Jacksonville will contact Heart of Gold awardees and nominators by January 31, 2004.

Please do not contact Volunteer Jacksonville to see if your nominee has won.

- ✎ The following will be invited guests at the Celebration of Service **Thursday, April 7, 2005**, at the **Moran Theatre** in the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts: each nominee and one guest of their choice, the executive director and volunteer program coordinator from the nominating organization.
- ✎ Volunteer Jacksonville reserves the right to provide information on volunteer activities to the news media.
- ✎ Volunteer Jacksonville reserves the right to add or remove a category based on community response. In the case of a category being removed the nominee will be placed in the next most appropriate category.

***Questions concerning the nomination process should be directed to Lynn Weise Mora, Community Relations Director (904) 398-7777 x 28 or [lynn@volunteerjacksonville.org](mailto:lynn@volunteerjacksonville.org)***

### **Volunteer Jacksonville's Heart of Gold Award Categories**

Please nominate an individual volunteer and/or a volunteer group that fits the following award categories. Check the most appropriate category box for your nominee(s).

- COMMUNITY WAY ~ United Way of Northeast Florida
- DOSE OF CARING ~ wellness
- FAITH IN ACTION ~ faith based
- GOOD NEIGHBOR ~ hands-on-service
- HEART OF TOMORROW ~ under 18 years of age
- MAKING THE GRADE ~ education
- NATURE OF CARING ~ preservation of environment or wildlife
- SERVICE IN UNIFORM ~ active military
- VOLUNTEERS MEAN BUSINESS ~ employee volunteer program
- WILLING AND ABLE ~ person(s) with a disability
- YOUNG AT HEART ~ adult(s) age seventy or above

#### **Nominee Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization** - *Nonprofit agency where nominee performed volunteer work*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Director \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Program Director \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Verification** - *Two references familiar with the nominee's accomplishments that can be contacted to verify the scope and extent of the nominee's activities.*

(1) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Activity** - *Briefly describe the nominee's volunteer services.*

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**Need** - *Describe the need for the nominee's volunteer service to the community.*

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**Initiative** - *Did nominee start a new program, use new methods to solve problems, initiate activities? Explain*

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**Achievement** - *Did the nominee accomplish the desired results? Explain.*

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**Impact on the Community** - *Describe the impact or difference the nominee's service made in the community. Be specific.*

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**Impact on other Volunteers** - *Describe the impact or difference nominee's service made on motivating others to volunteer. Be specific.*

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**Challenges** - *Did nominee have to overcome unusual challenges, limited resources, public perception? Explain.*

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**Time** – Approximately how much time has the volunteer dedicated to the activities outline above? How long has the volunteer(s) been engaged in these activities?

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*Signing your name below signifies that the information submitted is truthful, accurate and factual.*

Signature of nominator

Date

Nominators printed name

**Nomination form with original signature and 7 photocopies of pages 3-5 must be hand delivered or received by mail no later than 5:00 p.m. Monday, November 3, 2004 to:**

**Attn:** Lynn Weise Mora, Community Relations Director  
Volunteer Jacksonville, Inc., Suite 100  
4049 Woodcock Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32207  
Visit [www.volunteerjacksonville.org](http://www.volunteerjacksonville.org)

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*Thank you for supporting the United Way  
Community Fund! We encourage you to make  
an additional pledge and designate this agency.*

Volunteer Jacksonville was established in 1973 as a place where individuals could find opportunities to serve the community and nonprofit organizations could gain assistance in locating volunteers to help carry out their missions. Our mission is to inspire, connect, engage and support volunteers who make a difference in our community. The community we serve includes the counties of Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau and St. Johns. Our vision is a community committed to making a difference through volunteer service.

**VOLUNTEER JACKSONVILLE** is northeast Florida's local knowledge leader on volunteering. It's the place where citizens can find the most up-to-date opportunities to serve. It's where nonprofit organizations can get help with promotion of volunteer opportunities and support in making their volunteer programs work. It's also the place that keeps an eye on the community's most urgent needs and responds with volunteer action.

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⇒ *this is how we do it...*

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We get the word out to concerned citizens ⇒ **THE VOLUNTEER CONNECTION**  
We offer volunteering on-line ⇒ **VOLUNTEER GATEWAY**  
We groom youth for community leadership ⇒ **POINTS OF LIGHT YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (PYLI)**  
We prepare leaders for nonprofit board service ⇒ **BLUEPRINT FOR LEADERSHIP**  
We serve community-minded corporations ⇒ **CORPORATE CONNECTION**  
We equip our nonprofit partners with essential tools and guidance ⇒ **TRAINING & CONSULTING**  
We support directors of volunteer programs ⇒ **Directors of Volunteers In Agencies (DOVIA)**  
We mobilize the community to help school children ⇒ **A Visit From Saint Nicholas**  
We help our nonprofit partners raise money ⇒ **the Belk Great Benefit Sale**  
We help citizens in need ⇒ **the Hope Fund**  
We direct volunteers who respond in a disaster ⇒ **Disaster Preparedness**  
We prepare volunteer administrators for State of Florida Certification ⇒ **Volunteer Management Training**

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