

Do you know someone who always goes the extra mile and deserves recognition?

2010 NASW MN Awards Nomination Form

The Minnesota Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) annually selects members who have made significant contributions to the social work profession in the following award areas: *Social Worker of the Year, Social Work Student of the Year, Minnesota Public Citizen of the Year, Early Career Excellence, Lifetime Achievement and the Paul & Sheila Wellstone Award for Social Justice*. Awards will be given throughout the chapter's 20th Annual Conference "***Social Work at the Beginning of the Decade: Responding to Families in Crisis***" on June 3 & 4, 2010.

This is an excellent way to acknowledge an employee, co-worker, supervisor, administrator, friend or colleague who you believe exemplifies what it means to be a social worker. Through these awards, we convey our acknowledgement and appreciation of that person's efforts and dedication. You may nominate more than one person by photocopying this form.

Deadline for Nominations: **April 2, 2010**

Nominee: _____

Award Category: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Nominated By: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Please address the criteria for the attached award categories appropriate for your nominations **on a separate sheet**. Please be specific and try to summarize on one page. Letters of support from others are also welcome.

If you have questions, contact the NASW office at 651-293-1935.

Please return by April 2, 2010 to:

NASW-MN, 1885 University Ave. W. Suite 340, St. Paul, MN 55104 or
FAX (651) 293-0952 or EMAIL rachel@naswmn.org

2010 SOCIAL WORKER OF THE YEAR

The individual who is nominated must:

- Achievement – have made a recent and specific outstanding contribution to the profession or clients;
- High Professional Regard – have earned the respect of other members in the profession or community;
- Leadership – have worked to develop agency or profession and has stimulated the contribution of others;
- Ethics – have represented the professional ethics of social work as defined in the NASW Code of Ethics;
- BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF NASW.

2010 SOCIAL WORK STUDENT OF THE YEAR

The individual nominated must:

- Achievement – have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in an accredited BSW/MSW program;
- Leadership – have shown outstanding leadership ability for the development of the profession;
- Ethics – have represented the professional ethics of social work as defined in the NASW Code of Ethics;
- BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF NASW.

2010 MINNESOTA PUBLIC CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The individual who is nominated must:

- Achievement – have made a recent and specific outstanding contribution to human service;
- Ethics – have personally represented ethics compatible with the NASW Code of Ethics;
- THE NOMINEE NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF NASW.

EARLY CAREER EXCELLENCE

The individual who is nominated must:

- Achievement – have early career excellence (up to five years post-accredited BSW or MSW degree experience);
- Ethics – have represented the professional ethics of social work as defined in the NASW Code of Ethics;
- BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF NASW;
- NOMINATION MUST BE MADE BY A MEMBER OF NASW.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Awards have also occasionally been conferred. The individual who is nominated must:

- Achievement – have made outstanding contributions to the profession throughout the nominee's social work career;
- High Professional Regard – have earned the respect of other members in the profession or community;
- Ethics – have personally represented ethics compatible with the NASW Code of Ethics;
- BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF NASW.

PAUL & SHEILA WELLSTONE AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

This award is in memory of both Paul & Sheila Wellstone who were killed in a plane crash October 2002. The individual who is nominated must:

- Achievement – have made a specific outstanding contribution to the furtherance of social justice for vulnerable populations;
- Ethics – have personally represented ethics compatible with the NASW Code of Ethics;
- THE NOMINEE NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF NASW.