Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference, Inc. 2022 Neighborhood Awards Program Neighbors Helping Neighbors!

AWARD SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS & CRITERIA

The annual Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference Awards Program recognizes the accomplishments of outstanding neighborhood organizations and civic individuals from across the Commonwealth of Virginia who work diligently to enhance the quality of life in their communities. This year our Awards Program will focus on recognizing grassroots projects, activities and accomplishments that strengthen & support neighbors and their neighborhoods - Neighbors helping Neighbors. If your neighborhood project or activity focused on efforts to support neighbors during the Covid -19 Pandemic or to increase equity and access to underserved populations in a neighborhood, we invite you to enter the VSNC, Inc. 2022 Neighbors Helping Neighbors Awards Program. Eligible projects must have been initiated & completed in your localities between June 2021 and May 2022.

The following four (4) NEIGHBORHOOD AWARD categories are available for recognition:

- 1. **PROJECT OF THE YEAR:** Project, effort, and/or activity that has made a significant impact on a neighborhood or community that resulted in increased access and equity to services. This project can be the work of a neighborhood leader neighborhood organization and/or a grassroots non-profit working in partnership with a neighborhood organization.
- 2. **ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR**: Individual who has had a significant positive impact on their neighborhood and community during the pandemic. Individuals who have participated in one or multiple projects/roles are eligible. Individuals whose service is defined by its longevity are most appropriate for this award.
- 3. YOUTH INDIVIDUAL EFFORT OF THE YEAR: Effort of an individual youth who has made a significant impact or contribution which resulted in increased access and equity to services in their neighborhood especially during the Pandemic.
- 4. YOUTH GROUP EFFORT OF THE YEAR: Effort of a youth group who has made a significant impact or contribution to improving the quality of life in their neighborhood and/or community.

NOTE: Youth are defined as 18 years & under.

Instructions, Criteria, and Checklist for Submission.

Complete the Award Nomination Form and submit as the <u>cover sheet</u> to your entry.		
Submit a typed 500 word or less document clearly addressing a description of the project, how project contributed to strengthening and supporting the neighborhood/community for future success and a description of the positive results/outcomes achieved as a result of the project/individual or group effort.		
Letter of Support – Do not exceed (1) letter of support. The letter should explain how the project/organization/individual/group benefited the community & what they did to support you.		
Submit no more than (2) attachments that capture the essence of accomplishments (<i>pamphlets</i> , <i>articles</i> , <i>presentations</i> , <i>photographs</i> , <i>copies of resolutions/awards</i> , <i>etc.</i>)		
All pages including attachments must be on 8.5" x 11" white paper and readable		

Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference, Inc. 2022 Neighborhood Awards Program Nomination Form

Please review this form and complete all information as requested. Select the award categories for which you are applying. This form will be used as the **cover sheet** for your award entry.

SELECT NOMINATION CATEGORY / CATEGORIES

		Project of the Year	
		Advocate of the Year	
		Youth Individual Effort of the Year	
		Youth Group Effort of the Year	
NOMINEE / PROJEC	CT TITLE		
Name			
Address			
Telephone	Mobile Phone		
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NOMINATOR / CON	TACT PERSO	N	
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A variation of award	types may be gi	iven. Provide the following information for monetary awards.	
Payable to:			
Mailed to:			
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To be considered all award entries MUST BE RECEIVED Electronically on or before *** September 2, 2022

All nominees/nominators should be prepared to attend the Virtual Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference's Award Program on Saturday, September 24th. All winners may be asked to present a five minute summary of their winning project at the virtual Awards program.

*** Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered. Please submit early!

Only Electronic Submissions will be considered

Please send to: Swblackwell10@gmail.com

ATTN: Shellae Blackwell, 2022 Neighborhood Awards Committee Chair