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2010 Pyramid Awards for Excellence

Recognizing Outstanding Contributions to Our Community

The Center for Nonprofit Excellence is now accepting nominations for the 2010 Pyramid Awards for Excellence through July 31, 2010. The Awards will be presented at the Tenth Annual Leadership and Awards Conference on October 6, 2010.

About the Awards

The Pyramid Awards for Excellence are designed to recognize the essential value of our region's nonprofit sector. The Center for Nonprofit Excellence is pleased to recognize commanding contributions by nonprofit organizations in five areas: **Collaboration, Diversity, Governance, Leadership, and Vision.**

*Pyramid Awards for Collaboration, Diversity, and Vision are presented to a **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.**

*Pyramid Award for Governance is presented to a **GOVERNING BOARD** of a **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.**

*The Pyramid Award for Leadership is presented to an **INDIVIDUAL.**

Each of the recipients will receive a commemorative and financial award and will be recognized during a luncheon presentation at the CNPE Annual Conference on October 6, 2010.

A Brief Description of Awards Categories

THE PYRAMID AWARD FOR COLLABORATION

When love and skill work together, expect a masterpiece. -John Ruskin

This award honors two or more **nonprofit organizations** that have:

- developed a common vision and shared values
- addressed training, team building, and power sharing issues
- generated outcomes that were improved by the collaboration
- realized savings through collaboration

Previous recipients of the Art of Collaboration include:

Leadership Louisville Center (2009)

Phoenix Health Center, St. John Center and Society of St. Vincent DePaul (2008)

Bridgepointe Services & Goodwill of Southern Indiana and Southern Indiana Rehabilitation Center (2007)

THE PYRAMID AWARD FOR DIVERSITY

If we cannot now end our differences, at least we can help make the world safe for diversity. -John F Kennedy

This award honors a **nonprofit organization** that has:

- defined ways in which multicultural participation within the organization or among program participants has fostered better outcomes
- embraced diversity in its staff and clients
- generated strength through diversity in governance and service

Previous recipients of the Art of Diversity include:

Family Health Centers, Inc. (2009)

Catholic Charities of Louisville (2008)

Archdiocese of Louisville Office of Multicultural Ministry (2007)

THE PYRAMID AWARD FOR GOVERNANCE

Everyone has the power for greatness - not for fame, but greatness, because greatness is determined by service. -Martin Luther King

This award honors the **Board of Directors of a nonprofit organization** who have:

- displayed an outstanding level of participation and partnership with their organization
- provided active oversight of mission, planning and program outcomes
- contributed toward financial health of the organization

Previous Recipients of the Art of Governance include:

Gilda's Club of Louisville (2009)
GuardiaCare Services, Inc. (2008)
Brightside Inc. (2007)

THE PYRAMID AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP

The great leaders are like the best conductors - they reach beyond the notes to reach the magic in the players. -Blaine Lee

This award honors an **individual** who has demonstrated the:

- capacity to make mission and value consistent decisions
- capacity to rally people
- ability to maximize the potential of staff and volunteers
- ability to achieve mission consistent results

Previous Recipients of the Art of Leadership include:

Ramona Johnson, President & CEO, Bridgehaven, Inc. (2009)
Gordon Brown, President & CEO, Home of the Innocents (2008)
Kathy Beam, Meredith-Dunn School (2007)

THE PYRAMID AWARD FOR VISION

Be the change you want to see in the world. - Ghandi

This award honors a **nonprofit organization** that has:

- developed a collective vision that inspired action
- connected that vision to mission and/or to community priorities
- demonstrated the community benefits of that mission

Previous recipients of the Art of Vision include:

Hand in Hand Ministries (2009)
Fund for the Arts (2008)
Women 4 Women and Teach Kentucky (2007)

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Note: To nominate a candidate for one or more Pyramid Award(s), please complete sections 1-3 of the Narrative Information (below) and attach a short summary about the reasons the person or organization should receive the award. Attachments should be no longer than three pages in length. CNPE's awards committee will select recipients.

The Center for Nonprofit Excellence Awards Committee welcomes nominations of organizations that reflect the broad spectrum of the independent sector in the types of services provided and constituencies served.

- The achievements of the candidate organization should include relatively recent occurrences.
- Nominated organizations/individuals must be nonprofit organizations and Center for Nonprofit Excellence members.
- Organizations may self-nominate or be nominated by a third party.
- The total length of the nomination narrative should not exceed three pages nor use a font smaller than 12-point.
- The committee will base its decision primarily on the information provided in the narrative.

2010 Pyramid Award for Excellence Application Form
Nominations due by July 31, 2010 via mail, email or fax.

1. Nominee:

Name of Nominated Org/Ind

Contact Person

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Fax

Email

2. Nominator:

Name of Nominator

Relationship to Nominee

Address

Phone

Fax

Email

3. Nominated for award in the following category:

- Collaboration (Organizations)
- Diversity (Organizations)
- Vision (Organizations)
- Governance (Organizations)
- Leadership (Individuals)

4. Organization Mission, Program Description and Goals - include information about geographic area served and nature/size of constituency.

Mission

Program
Description

Goals

5. Reason for Nomination - Refer to the criteria for the award for which you are nominating this organization or individual. How does this nomination meet the criteria? Include key individuals and other collaborators who are involved. Please give specific examples.

6. Direct Impact - Refer to the criteria for the award for which you are nominating this organization. What is the direct impact on the organization's clients/constituency? What are other outcomes as a result of the nominated organization's efforts?

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JULY 31, 2010.

Send to: Center for Nonprofit Excellence Re: Pyramid Awards 323 W. Broadway, Suite 501 Louisville, KY 40202

EMAIL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY Midnight July 31, 2010.

(Print form and Scan)

Send to dwhitney@cnpe.org

Subject line: '10 Pyramid Awards Application

Call (502) 618-5330 w/questions

Fax (502) 315-2677

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The NOMINEE and the NOMINATOR will be notified about award outcomes.