

## 2018 STAR Celebration Nomination Form

Nomination Forms due to Gryphon Place by Friday, March 16

Questions? Email: [STAR@gryphon.org](mailto:STAR@gryphon.org)

STAR Celebration Ceremony - Friday, April 27

The **STAR** (Sharing Time and Resources), Celebration is a time to honor volunteerism by recognizing and awarding individuals who volunteer their time, energy, and talents in service to others throughout our greater Kalamazoo community.

We are asking nonprofits to use this celebration as a time to honor volunteers and invite them to join us at the STAR Celebration as an expression of gratitude for all they do in our community. We would love to have you and your volunteers join us at the celebration. STAR event tickets are on sale at [www.gryphon.org/events](http://www.gryphon.org/events)

In addition to our community celebration of volunteering, we will be giving special recognition to outstanding community volunteers from four (4) different categories listed below. Awards will be presented to the winners on **Friday, April 27 from 7:30 am – 9:00 am** at our **STAR Celebration event at The Radisson Plaza Hotel in Kalamazoo**. Nominations are open to the public and anyone may submit a volunteer for consideration. A panel of independent judges appointed by Gryphon Place will select the winner in each of the 4 categories.

### **Please help us recognize outstanding Volunteers in our community by making a nomination:**

- \* Nomination forms must be returned to Gryphon Place by **Friday, March 16**.
- \* Any individual who resides in the greater Kalamazoo Area is eligible for nomination.
- \* All STAR nominations are meant to cover volunteer service performed during 2017, excluding the Lifetime Achievement Award.
- \* You **MUST** get permission from the individual you nominate **before** submitting a nomination form.
- \* Awards will be granted in categories with qualified nominees and all nominations are subject to verification.
- \* All decisions awarded by the judges are final.

### **STAR Award Categories**

1. **Adult Volunteer:** Individual under the age of 65 years
2. **Good Neighbor Volunteer:** Individual whose volunteer work brightens & strengthens our entire Kalamazoo community
3. **Lifetime Achievement Award:** Individual whose dedication and breadth of volunteer service has profoundly influenced the greater Kalamazoo community over his or her lifetime
4. **Senior Volunteer:** Individual 65 years of age or older

**\*\*Youth Volunteer Awards are being recognized as part of the City of Kalamazoo Dr. Lewis Walker Social Justice Youth Award. Award winner & nominees will be publicized at the STAR Celebration on 4/27/18.**

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### **Instructions:**

STAR winners will be chosen based upon the information you provide. Please answer each question, as completely as possible, **within a 2-page limit**, per nominee. Please include a response for each question. Total volunteer hours for 2017 are required to be listed for all Award nominations, excluding the Lifetime Achievement Award. Previous STAR Award winners in all categories may not receive an award in the same category more than one time. Recipients of the Lifetime Achievement Award are only eligible to receive the award one time.

### **Please submit your nominations to:**

**Gryphon Place**  
**STAR Celebration**  
**3245 S. 8th Street**  
**Kalamazoo, MI 49009**  
or scan and send to [STAR@gryphon.org](mailto:STAR@gryphon.org)

### **Please fill in YOUR information below:**

Please complete the following with your personal information so we can reach you if we have questions or require further details regarding your nomination.

Your Full Name:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Nonprofit Organization Name (if applicable):

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**The Radisson Plaza Hotel • 100 W Michigan Avenue • Kalamazoo**  
**7:30 am Coffee, Light Breakfast, & Social • 8 am - 9 am Celebration**

**Buy Your Tickets - [www.gryphon.org/events](http://www.gryphon.org/events)**

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### Nomination Form

STAR Award winners will be chosen based upon the information you provide. Please answer each question as completely as possible, **within a 2-page limit**. Please include a response for each of the four questions below. Attach your typed responses to this nomination form. Total Volunteer hours for 2017 are required for Award consideration, excluding Lifetime (on page 5).

**Please be as accurate as possible when filling out the chart & questions below.**

**I am Nominating:** \_\_\_\_\_

for a STAR Award in the following category, please choose only one category per nominee.

- Adult Volunteer, under 65     
  Good Neighbor Volunteer     
  Senior Volunteer, 65+

### Nominee's Contact Information:

Nominee Phone:

Email Address:

Street Address:

City/State/ Zip:

#### 1. Organizations where the Nominee volunteered during 2017 and hours served.

Organization Name	Total Volunteer Hours	Contact Person at Organization	Organization Phone

#### 2. Volunteer activities performed – what did the nominee do during his or her volunteer work?

*Describe the kinds of activities and services this volunteer did for others in 2017. Be sure to include their special skills and talents that make them a STAR nominee.*

**3. How did this volunteer make an impactful difference?**

*Describe in detail the positive impact made to others and/or the community.*

**4. Any additional relevant information.**

*Please tell us more about the volunteer you are nominating. Include any information that you believe makes this volunteer unique, special, and outstanding.*

Thank you for your nomination! All nominees will receive recognition in the STAR Celebration's written program. In acknowledgement of your nomination, your name will be printed next to your nominee's name in the program.

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# Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award

I am nominating: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Street Address:

City/State/ Zip:

In **2 pages or less**, describe why this nominee should receive the **Lifetime Volunteer Achievement Award**. Describe how this nominee's dedication and lifetime of volunteer service has influenced our community. **Include examples of their numerous volunteer contributions and the organizations that they have served over their lifetime. Include any information that you believe makes this volunteer unique, special, and outstanding. Include descriptive details whenever possible.**

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