

Purpose of the Award: The Citizen of the Year Award and Citation(s) of Merit recognize and honor those Fairfax County residents whose voluntary contributions of time and talent have resulted in major accomplishments or who have enhanced the quality of life for citizens of Fairfax County

Background: The Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations (The Federation) sponsors the Fairfax County Citizen of the Year Award. After the nomination period is over the Federation chairs a selection committee of countywide organizations to review Citizen of the Year nominations for recognition at an annual springtime banquet.

Eligibility:

- Nominees must be current residents of Fairfax County.
- Their voluntary acts must not be employment related.

Criteria:

- Contributions and accomplishments must have countywide rather than local significance.
- The nominees can be either:
 - General, such as multi-year community service with one or more organizations or activities with cumulative impact over the years of current importance or with positive implications for the future, or
 - Specific, including intense efforts as the major promoter of a single program or project completed in a finite period.
- Achievements by elected officials and full-time County or Commonwealth employees are ineligible for consideration if the contributions are employment related. If so, they may be considered for a Special Gratitude Award (see below)

Special Gratitude Awards:

- Persons who do not meet the eligibility standards for Citizen of the Year consideration but whose contributions of time and talent resulted in major accomplishments that have enhanced the quality of life for citizens of Fairfax County may still be recognized. These include:
 - Non-residents
 - Deceased residents
 - Elected officials and full-time County or Commonwealth employees whose contributions are employment related.
- Please submit information about these nominees on the form below, checking the Special Gratitude Awards box.

Be sure to include as much detail as possible. If necessary, attach additional sheets or endorsements of the nominee by others, as there will be no further contact for information. Please submit the nomination to the Citizen of the Year Selection Committee Chair by mail care of Citizen of the Year Chair, Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations, P.O. Box 3913, Merrifield, VA 22116-3913; by email at FedCOY2016@fairfaxfederation.org; or online at <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/COY/COYApplication.html>. **The Federation will not consider nominations postmarked, emailed or submitted online after 31 January 2016.**

Nominee's Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Achievements (Please expand the boxes below as you need)

Details of the service or activity, including specific results and achievements, community needs, how the nominee served as a catalyst to involve others, etc.

Significant position(s) of leadership, responsibility or authority the nominee has held, including dates.

Explain why the nominee is worthy of being the Fairfax County Citizen of the Year.

Please include other biographical or background material that would be useful to the Selection Committee, including copies of newspaper articles or similar material.

Is this a Special Gratitude Award? ____

Nominator's Name:

Date:

Address:

Phone:

Email: