



2010 Inclusion Awards Call for Nominations



DDRC's Inclusion Awards

Established in 1996, the **Inclusion Awards** recognize people and organizations that help persons with developmental disabilities participate in the community in real and meaningful ways.

A Celebration of Inclusion will be presented on October 7, 2010 to honour award recipients from a variety of categories. Please see page 2 for all awards and their criteria. If you would like to nominate a deserving individual, business or organization, please complete the form below. If you are completing this form electronically, it is a fillable PDF form.

Nomination Form

Nominee

Name _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Award: _____

Along with this Nomination Form, please provide a 1-page description of why the nominee should receive an Inclusion Award. You may also choose to enclose a letter of support from someone familiar with the nominee's accomplishments.

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Once we receive the nomination, we may need to contact you:

Your Name: _____ Your E-mail Address: _____

Your phone: _____

Awards Selection Process

- Nomination Deadline: September 3, 2010
- If necessary, nominators will be contacted the week of September 6, 2010 to discuss their nomination(s)
- Selection Committee meets the week of September 13, 2010; nominees are advised of their nominations
- Inclusion Awards held Thursday, October 7, 2010

Please return your nomination form by mail, fax or email:

Mail:
DDRC
Attn: Kate Kerr
4631 Richardson Way S.W.
Calgary AB, T3E 7B7

Fax:
403-240-3230
Attn: Kate Kerr

E-mail:
kate.kerr@ddrcc.com

Deadline for submissions:
Friday, September 3, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.

Awards

Category 1: Adults* with Developmental Disabilities

(*age 18 years or older)

Award of Excellence

Recognizes significant achievement in any of the following areas: art, music, sports, education, career development or other areas reflecting outstanding skills or talents.

Outstanding Self-Advocate Award

Recognizes an individual who creates, leads or implements disability advocacy activities in her/his community.

Category 2: Education

Inclusive Education Award

Recognizes an individual, school, or other educational entity promoting inclusive practices within an educational setting.

Category 3: Community

Inclusive Employer Award

Recognizes an individual's or an organization's exceptional contribution towards improving or supporting employment opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities. Nominees must have been involved in improving or supporting employment opportunities for at least six months prior to the nominations deadline.

Inclusive Business Award

Recognizes an organization, agency or corporation advocating inclusion as a business imperative. This may include creating inclusive workplaces and/or developing accessible service delivery in corporate Calgary.

Inclusive Community Award

Recognizes inclusive service delivery and/or community development approaches. The Award goes to an organization or individual who has consistently demonstrated and/or supported inclusive practices within the Calgary community.

Corporate Spirit Award

Recognizes an individual or group of individuals within an organization or corporation who have increased opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities through donations, raising awareness or other contributions.

Volunteer Spirit Award

Recognizes a volunteer's exceptional contribution to the community, the DDRC or specific persons with developmental disabilities.

Good Neighbour Award

Recognizes an individual who contributes to bettering the quality of life for a person with developmental disabilities through his/her own initiative(s), outside of any formal program or service.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Celebrates an individual's lifelong involvement in developing community acceptance of persons with developmental disabilities through education, volunteerism, advocacy or other significant actions.

Category 4: DDRC Staff*

(*not open to Management)

Leadership Award

Recognizes a DDRC staff member who takes initiative and consistently demonstrates a "can-do" attitude. This individual leads by example in her/his daily work and is a natural mentor to his/her colleagues.

Team Spirit Award

Recognizes a DDRC team that has demonstrated exemplary teamwork, accomplished team goals and/or otherwise performed exceptionally with an ongoing commitment to building on successes. Nominations for this award are open to any and all teams, agency-wide.

Organizational Spirit Award

Recognizes a DDRC staff member who goes above and beyond to better the DDRC outside of his/her job description. This may include undertaking odd jobs or tasks, selflessly working to improve an office or team environment, and/or otherwise enhancing the DDRC for all.

everyone belongs™ Award

Recognizes a DDRC staff member who embodies the DDRC's mission and values, namely:

- everyone belongs;
- diversity;
- that individuals have a right to explore and fulfill their potential;
- that there is a need for accountability and responsibility; and
- to foster environments of respect, acceptance, accessibility, and interdependence.

This individual not only upholds the principles of the DDRC, he or she also promotes them.