



Dear Community Partner:

Behind the ideas and efforts toward building a better world, volunteers fuel a movement of compassion and connection. HandsOn Central California is proud to provide you with an opportunity to honor the people who support you throughout the year – ***your volunteers!***

Please join HandsOn Central California in the support and recognition of outstanding volunteers in our community by participating in this years ***Hands Across the Valley*** volunteer of the year awards. This heart-warming event honors individuals, groups and partners who have made a difference by generously giving their time and talent in an effort to help bring about positive change in our community and in your agency.

To nominate your outstanding volunteers for this tremendous honor, please complete the enclosed nomination packet. All nominees will be publicly recognized and appreciated for their efforts to ***Be the Change*** in our community at a luncheon on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at the Golden Palace Banquet Hall. Volunteer nominations will be chosen by a distinguished panel of community leaders. Winners will be publicly announced in early March.

Award categories are as follows:

- Outstanding Business Volunteer
- Outstanding Service Organization
- Outstanding School Volunteer
- Outstanding Senior Volunteer
- Outstanding Adult Volunteer
- Outstanding College/Higher Education Volunteer
- Outstanding Youth Volunteer

For more information or clarification please contact Nicole Traverso at 559-237-3101 or ntraverso@handsoncentralcal.org. Thank you so much for your support and participation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cathy Caples".

Cathy Caples,
Executive Director
HandsOn Central California



Nomination Information

Criteria:

- Nominees should have provided significant contributions to the community through service
- Nominees must be a volunteer within Fresno, Madera, Merced, Tulare or Kings Counties
- Nominees may only be nominated for one category, multiple categories per nominee is not allowed

Rules:

- Each nomination form must be completed and returned by the deadline
- All nominations must include a digital photo of the nominee
- The nomination form must be typed (*hand written answers will not be accepted*) and each question must be answered.
- Each agency may nominate up to five individuals per category

Submission Directions:

Please answer the questions provided on the following pages. Answers must be typed. All nominations must include a completed nomination form and a digital photo of the nominee performing their volunteer duties. An electronic nomination form is also available for your convenience online at www.handsoncentralcal.org.

Deadline

- We ask that all nomination packets be submitted to HandsOn Central California no later than **Friday, March 5, 2010 by 5:00pm.**
- Completed nomination packets should be sent to ntraverso@handsoncentralcal.org or mailed to 732 N. Van Ness Ave. Fresno, CA 93728
- Honorees will be announced in early March

Volunteer Nomination Form

NOMINATION DEADLINE: March 5, 2010 by 5:00pm

Please check appropriate nomination category box, one per nominee and fill out information below:

*You may nominate up to 5 people in each category – please use a separate form for each nomination

YOUTH / STUDENT VOLUNTEER
(12-18 yrs old)

SERVICE ORGANIZATION
(ex. Clovis Kiwanis, fraternities, clubs, etc.)

ADULT VOLUNTEER
(18 – 54 yrs old)

SCHOOL VOLUNTEER
(ex. Adult classroom helper, PTA member, etc.)

SENIOR VOLUNTEER
(55 yrs & older)

LEADERSHIP VOLUNTEER
(Board Members)

COLLEGE / HIGHER EDUCATION VOLUNTEER
(College student)

BUSINESS
(Business that support your agency)

Nominator or Organization Information

Nominating Organization: _____

Name of Contact /Nominator: _____ Title: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Address: _____

Volunteer Nominee Information

Nominee's Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

I have received permission from the nominee to submit this nomination form on their behalf.

Nominee Volunteer Background

Name of nominee's employer: _____

Please list any other organizations your nominee has been involved in:

Please complete the following:

1. List the contributions the nominee has made to your organization and the community.

2. Describe what makes this nominee an extraordinary volunteer.

3. In 100 words, provide a well rounded recap of your outstanding nominee. This segment will be printed in the event program to honor your nominee.

Attendance Information

Do you plan on attending the awards luncheon on April 21st? Yes No

How many people do you anticipate will attend the luncheon with your group? _____

After this form is completed please SAVE the form and email it to:
ntraverso@handsoncentralcal.org