

Award Categories and Eligibility Guidelines:

There are two award categories:

- **COUNTY VOLUNTEER:** Nominee should be an individual who demonstrated outstanding volunteer service through a Fairfax County Government agency in 2022.
 - **FAIRFAX COUNTY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:** Nominee should be a Fairfax County Government Volunteer Program that demonstrated effective volunteer management practices though it's creative, innovative and/or greatly increased use of volunteers in 2022.
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- Nominations must be received via [online application](#) by **April 17, 2023**.
 - Nominators must obtain approval from the person or group being nominated prior to submission.
 - The nominee must have completed their hours, including remote hours, in Fairfax County, the City of Fairfax, the Town of Herndon, the Town of Vienna, or the City of Falls Church or with an affiliated organization/agency operating in one of these counties.
 - The volunteer service must primarily benefit the Fairfax County community at large. Government agencies, hospitals and nonprofits who use volunteers to serve their mission(s) are all encouraged to put forth nominees.
 - Nominated volunteers must have provided service during the 2022 calendar year; however, service provided prior to this year can also be included.
 - Service provided may not include hours served as part of an internship fulfilling academic requirements.
 - Nominations are subject to verification.
 - Staff members compensated by salary or any other compensatory means are not eligible.
 - All decisions made by the independent panel of judges are final.
 - Any service provided in reference to a court case will not be eligible.
 - Nominators should not submit separate material; rather, they should focus on submitting a well-written and thorough narrative for consideration. The judging panel will not consider supplemental information, such as links to websites, newspaper clippings, or letters of support.