

Patriot Award Guidelines & Nomination Forms

Nomination Deadline: **Wednesday, SEPT 6, 2017**

PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE PROCEEDING

There are four awards that require a nomination form. Please read the information for each award, then choose the form that applies to your nominee. You may nominate as many individuals/organizations as you wish. To nominate:

- **1** Download and print the nomination forms.
- **2** Complete the appropriate nomination forms.
- **3** Mail or drop off the forms and documentation at the address below.

Nomination forms and supporting documentation must be complete. Incomplete forms will be disqualified. All nominees must reside within the Goodwill of Central Illinois territory. A territory map is included for reference.

Mail Your Nomination

Forms must be postmarked no later than 9/6/2017. Please enclose the supporting documentation with the nomination form and send it to:

Goodwill of Central Illinois Attn: Patriot Award Nominations 2319 E. War Memorial Drive Peoria, IL 61614

Hand Deliver Your Nomination

Forms and documentation may also be hand delivered to Goodwill's Administrative Offices. Hand deliveries will be accepted until 5 p.m. on 9/6/2017 at Goodwill Commons, 2319 E. War Memorial Drive, Peoria, IL 61614.

Award winners will be honored during Goodwill's Reception of Honor on **Wednesday**, **October 4**, at Goodwill Commons.

If you have any questions or need help submitting your nomination, call Beth Hardy at 309-682-1113 ext. 2106

Awards & Criteria

★ The General Wayne A. Downing Award

This award is our highest honor. The recipient will be chosen from one of the four award winners below. This award is named to honor the integrity and service of General Wayne A. Downing, a man who served the people of the United States of America and kept freedom and liberty alive. You can learn more about General Downing and his legacy at www.generaldowning.org.

★ The Veteran Patriot Award

This award honors a United States veteran from any branch of service who has used his or her military experience, in times of war or peace, to provide exemplary support to veterans and the community. This individual should bring the highest degree of honor to all who have served our country.

Criteria

- Must be honorably discharged.
- Must be in good standing in the community.
- Must have verifiable years of community service to veterans or verifiable donations, financial or otherwise, made in support of veterans.
- Provide a list of leadership activities.
- Submit a nomination letter describing why this person is deserving of this award (no more than 500 words).

★ The Military Patriot Award

This award acknowledges an outstanding, currently serving military member, who has shown incredible courage and determination to fulfill his or her duties. In addition, this individual works diligently to find ways to assure that services and support systems are in place for all military veterans, now and in the future.

Criteria

- Must be in good standing within his or her unit.
- Submit a nomination letter describing why this person is deserving of this award (no more than 500 words).

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The Patty Fuchs Citizen Patriot Award

This award honors a civilian who brings awareness to the needs and issues faced by veterans in order to significantly improve their care and public support. This individual will be recognized for two or more of the following attributes: leadership and volunteerism, support of the military, donation of goods or services, or monetary donations.

Criteria

- Has never served in the Armed Forces.
- Has never received compensation from any act of service to the military, veteran or veteran's family member.
- Must have verifiable hours or donations.
- Must be in good standing in the community.
- Submit a nomination letter describing why this person is deserving of this award (no more than 500 words).

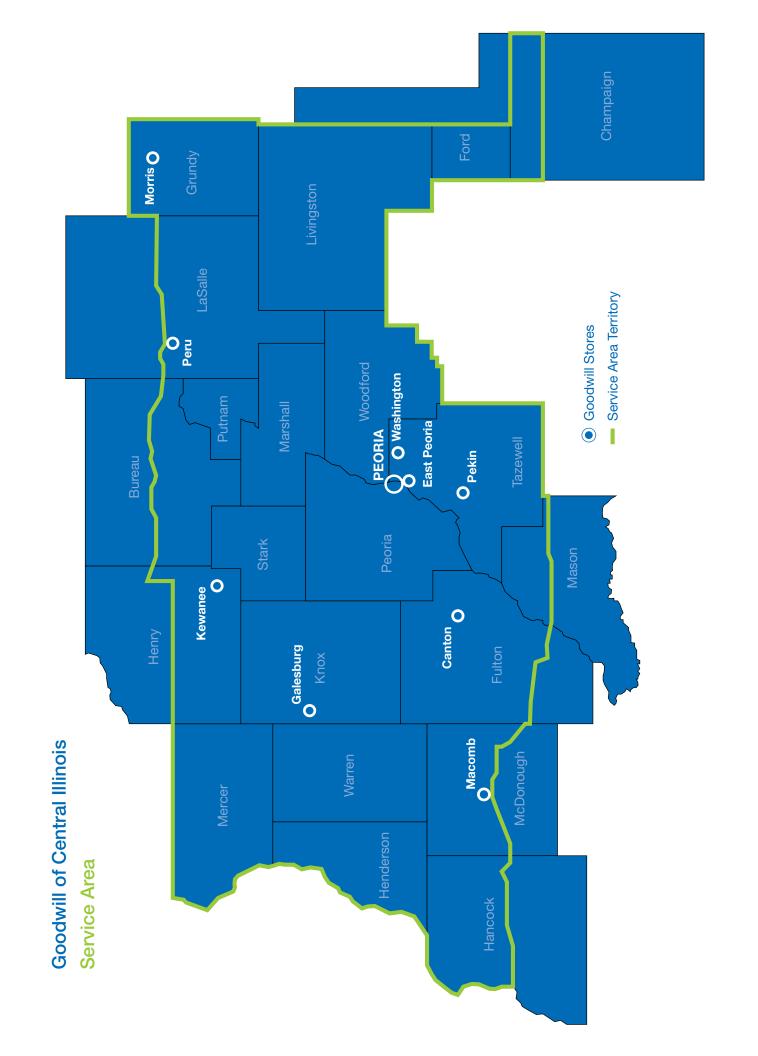


The Business / Association Patriot Award

This award honors a business or organization that has gone above and beyond normal practices to support veterans, active members of the Guard or Reserve, or active-duty military personnel. Support is demonstrated through exceptional business practices regarding employment of veterans as well as support of personnel associated with the Guard or Reserve.

Criteria

- Provide a documented number/percentage of employees who are veterans or active participants in the Guard or Reserve currently and in the past fiscal year.
- Provide documentation of support to veterans, their families or organizations that support veterans. (Documentation may be in the form of policy or procedure manuals, company mission/vision/values statements, letters or awards of recognition.)
- Submit a nomination letter describing why this business or association is deserving of this award (no more than 500 words).



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The Veteran Patriot Award

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NOMINEE INFORMATION			
Nominee Name			goodwill
Street Address			
City	State	Zip	
Work Phone	Home Phone		
Email			
MILITARY SERVICE			
Component	Rank		
Discharge Date Most	Recent Commanding C	officer	
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COMMUNITY SERVICE			_
Years of Community Service		Hours per Year	
Leadership Activities			
SUBMITTED BY			
Your Name			DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION
Street Address			Nomination Letter
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Work Phone	Home Phone		
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City

Email

Work Phone



The Military Patriot Award

NOMINEE INFORMATION Nominee Name Street Address City State Zip Work Phone Home Phone Email MILITARY SERVICE Component Rank **Commanding Officer** SUBMITTED BY DOCUMENTATION NEEDED Your Name FOR SUBMISSION Street Address Nomination Letter

State

Home Phone

Zip

Email



The Citizen Patriot Award

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Nominee Name			goodwill
Street Address			
City	State -	Zip	
Work Phone	Home Phone		
Email			
SERVICE DESCRIPTION Project Name(s)			
Years of Service to Veterans		Hours per Year	
Monetary Donations			
In-kind Donations			
SUBMITTED BY			
Your Name			DOCUMENTATION NEEDER
Street Address			Nomination Letter
City	State -	Zip	
Work Phone	Home Phone		

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The Business / Association Patriot Award

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Street Address	
City State Zip	
Work Phone Home Phone	
Email	
SUPPORT OF MILITARY SERVICE Number of or percentage of employees who are participants in	
the Guard / Reserve, active-duty military personnel or veterans	
Support provided to veterans	
SUBMITTED BY	
Your Name	DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION
Street Address	Nomination Letter Supporting Documentation
City State Zip	
Work Phone Home Phone	