

# GOODWILL'S RECEPTION OF HONOR

## Patriot Award Guidelines & Nomination Forms

**Nomination Deadline:  
Friday, Sept. 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

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Nomination forms and supporting documentation must be complete. Incomplete forms will be disqualified. Each award requires a nomination form and supporting documents-see Awards & Criteria page. All nominees must reside within the Goodwill of Central Illinois territory. A territory map is included for reference.

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- **Mail Your Nomination**

Forms must be postmarked no later than 9/15/2023. 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

- **Or Email Documents to [dpritchard@goodwillpeo.org](mailto:dpritchard@goodwillpeo.org)**

Award winners will be honored during Goodwill's Reception of Honor on **Wednesday, October 11<sup>TH</sup>** at Goodwill Commons.

**If you have any questions or need help submitting your nomination, call Donna Pritchard 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.

## ★ **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.
  - Provide letter(s) of recommendation from a non-family member that documents support of veterans.

## ★ **The Nicholas J. Murphy 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.
  - Provide a letter of recommendation from his or her NCOIC/OIC.
  - Provide letter(s) of recommendation from a non-family member that documents support of veterans.

## ★ **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.
  - Provide letter(s) of recommendation from a non-family member that documents support of veterans.

## ★ **The Harry L. Canterbury 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.
  - Provide letter(s) of recommendation documenting support of veterans.



# The Veteran Patriot Award



## NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee Name

Street Address

City  State  Zip

Work Phone  Home Phone

Email

## MILITARY SERVICE

Component  Rank

Discharge Date  Most Recent Commanding Officer (optional)   
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## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Years of Community Service  Hours per Year

Leadership Activities

## SUBMITTED BY

Your Name

Street Address

City  State  Zip

Work Phone  Home Phone

Email

## DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION

Letter(s) of Recommendation

# The Nicholas J. Murphy 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

Your Name

Street Address

City  State  Zip

Work Phone  Home Phone

Email

## DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION

Letter(s) of Recommendation

# The Patty Fuch Citizen Patriot Award



## NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee Name

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

Street Address

City  State  Zip

Work Phone  Home Phone

Email

## DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION

Letter(s) of Recommendation

# The Harry L. Canterbury Business / Association Patriot Award



## NOMINEE INFORMATION

Nominee Name

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

Street Address

City  State  Zip

Work Phone  Home Phone

Email

## DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR SUBMISSION

- Letter(s) of Recommendation
- Supporting Documentation