

United Way  
of the Midlands



United Way of the Midlands  
Volunteer and Community Service Division  
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Omaha, NE 68102

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## 2009 Outstanding Volunteer Awards

### Dates to Remember

#### Friday, March 13, 2009

Nominations forms must be either  
postmarked or returned via email no  
later than midnight

#### Friday, March 27, 2009

Request forms for  
Certificates of Appreciation  
and Invitation list for the  
54th Annual Volunteer  
Recognition Luncheon due.

#### Wednesday, April 22, 2009

54th Annual Volunteer  
Recognition Luncheon  
at 12 Noon  
Double Tree Hotel  
Downtown  
\$14.00 per person or \$112.00 per table  
of eight

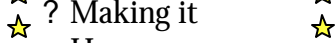
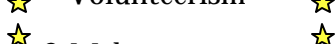
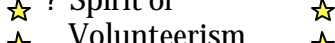
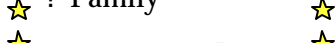
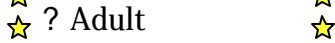
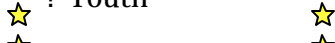
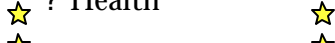
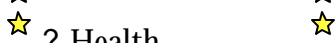
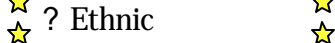
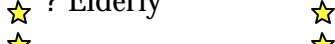
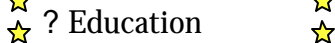
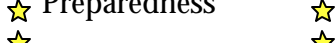
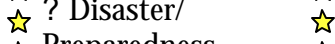
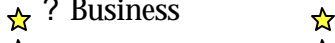
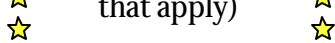
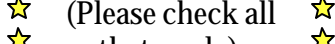
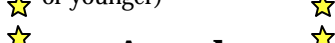
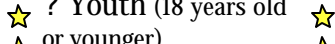
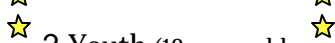
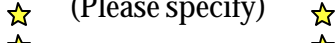
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United Way of the Midlands  
Volunteer Resource Center  
1805 Harney Street  
Omaha, NE 68102  
Fax: 522-7991  
jmoore@uwmidlands.org

For further information please call  
522-7930/31  
or e-mail  
jmoore@uwmidlands.org

Inspire by Example  
National Volunteer Week  
April 19- 25, 2009



Hands On  
NETWORK



**2009 Outstanding Volunteer Awards Nomination  
Form  
"Inspire by Example"**



**Nominee  
Information**  
(Please specify)

- ? Adult
- ? Youth (18 years old or younger)

**Award  
Categories**  
(Please check all that apply)

**Individual  
Categories**

- ? Business
- ? Cultural
- ? Disaster/Preparedness
- ? Education
- ? Elderly
- ? Ethnic
- ? Health
- ? Religion
- ? Youth
- ? Special Needs

**Group  
Categories**

- ? Adult
- ? Youth
- ? Couple
- ? Family

**Special  
Categories**

- ? Spirit of Volunteerism
- ? Making it Happen

**Nominee**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Organization, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Nomination**

In 500 words or less, describe the actual service performed by the nominee. Include the duties/responsibilities and the impact the nominee has made on your program and the community. If more than one service has been performed, describe each briefly. Service may have been provided to a client or an agency, such as planning or supervising or a combination of both. (If more space is needed, you may attach a limit of one additional sheet with description only. DO NOT ATTACH ADDITIONAL DATA.)



# 2009 Outstanding Volunteer Awards

## Eligibility

Individuals, groups or corporations may be nominated if they were actively engaged in providing volunteer service during 2008, in either Sarpy or Douglas Counties in Nebraska or Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

Nominees must have provided direct service or been responsible for planning, organizing or supervising other volunteers.

If an individual or group has been a finalist in a category, they cannot be a nominee in that category again. However, they may be nominated in other categories if they volunteered during 2008.

**Incomplete entries are ineligible.**

## Selection Process

The United Way of the Midlands' staff, in accordance with strict standards of confidentiality, will review entries submitted to ensure that all pertinent information has been provided and the nomination form is properly completed. Entries that meet eligibility requirements will be forwarded to the Selection Committee.

A five-member Volunteer Selection Committee that is familiar with the philosophy and tradition of volunteerism, and is representative of the United Way of the Midlands' service area, will select winners. Selection Committee members have no affiliation with United Way of the Midlands.

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# Category Descriptions

## Individual Categories

**Business:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service for a private or nonprofit business; this includes government, environment, public safety and corrections.

**Cultural:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service for a cultural organization or in a cultural setting.

**Disaster Preparedness:** The individual must have provided volunteer service to help the community prepare for, respond to and recover from a disaster.

**Education:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service for an educational organization, elementary, secondary or post-secondary school.

**Elderly:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service to the elderly or to an organization serving the elderly.

**Ethnic:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service for an ethnic organization, individuals or groups or in an ethnic setting.

**Health:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service for a health-related organization, such as a hospital, nursing home or clinic.

**Religious:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service in a religious setting or for a religious organization.

**Youth:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service to youth or to an organization serving youth.

**Special Needs:** The nominee must have provided volunteer service assisting or working with groups whose members are physically, emotionally and/or mentally challenged or are homeless.

## Group Categories

**Adult:** The members of the group selected must be 19 years old or older and must have provided volunteer service, financial or direct, to a project that was an important part of an agency's program, or provided community enrichment and growth.

**Youth:** Members of the groups selected must be 18 years old or younger and must have provided volunteer service, financial or direct, to a project that was an important part of an agency's program, or provided community enrichment and growth.

**Couple:** Two individuals, who may or may not be related, must have provided volunteer service, financial or direct, for the same agency.

**Family:** The family selected must have volunteered together during 2008 for the same agency/organization. They may or may not have performed the same task.



