



2021 FSYP Community Service Award

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Guidelines & Nomination Form



This award recognizes the contributions of Foreign Service youth in their community, whether domestic or overseas. The service can be a one-time project or a combination of service activities.

Deadline: Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Prizes: First place \$2,000, second place \$1,500, and honorable mention \$500. Winners will be honored at the 2020 Youth Awards Ceremony at the Department of State in late June.

Eligibility: Any FSYP member currently enrolled elementary, middle, or high school or taking a gap-year prior to age 20; excluding prior winners and those whose parents are FSYP Board members or employees. FSYP family membership dues must be current as of March 24, 2021 for your application to be considered. To join FSYP please see our website at: www.fsyf.org

Nomination Procedure:

- Youth may be nominated by anyone who has knowledge of the service, including parents, friends, teachers, or by the youth themselves.
- The nominating sponsor or nominee completes an Entry Form (attached) including required signatures.
- A Narrative, completed by the nominee or by the nominating sponsor, should describe the nominee's service to the community. Service can be a one-time project or a combination of smaller service activities.
- Nominees who did not write their own Narratives must attach an additional Personal Statement about their service experience.
- One supporting letter from a member of the community, such as teacher, counselor, coach, or other non-family authority figure.
- An individual photo of the nominee and a photo featuring the nominee involved in their community service (photos in jpg format).

Expectations of Winning Applicants:

- Provide a short bio and personal photo that will appear in various Foreign Service news outlets.
- Permit their essay to be published on the FSYP website and in FSYP publications.
- If present in the Washington, D.C. area in late June 2021, attend the Youth Awards Ceremony at Main State.

Submissions: Submit the entry form and all supporting documentation via email to FSYP@FSYP.org by the March 24, 2021 deadline.

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I. Nominee Information

Last Name: First Name:

Age: Grade: School:

Email: Current Post:

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Agency of Employment:

Parent Email:

Mailing Address:

2. Nominating Sponsor Information (if different from Nominee)

Youth and teens may be nominated by anyone who knows of their accomplishments, including parents, friends, coaches, teachers, or themselves.

Last Name: First Name:

Email:

Relationship to Nominee:

Place of Employment:

Mailing Address:

The activity I am describing refers to a one-time project multiple service activities

3. Nominee Acceptance

I accept this nomination for the Community Service Award. *An electronic signature is acceptable. Example: /s/*

Date

4. Parent Acceptance

I support my child's nomination for the 2021 Community Service Award. I understand that pictures submitted with the nomination or taken at the awards ceremony may be used on FSYP's, Clements' and/or the State Department's websites, or posted to their respective Facebook pages or in other FSYP publicity. I hereby grant permission for such use. *An electronic signature is acceptable. Example: /s/ John Doe.*

Date

Narrative

This should be completed by the Nominating Sponsor (the individual who is recommending the nominee for this award). The community service described, and for which this individual is being nominated, can be a one-time project or a combination of multiple service activities. If the nominee is nominating him/herself, he/she must complete the narrative. (Maximum: 750 words)

This narrative, completed on a separate page(s), should include the following:

- Describe the nominee's outstanding volunteer effort in community service or in service to his/her peers. Explain how he/she satisfied at least one of the following requirements in an outstanding way:
 1. Served the needs of a particular group or increased awareness about their needs
 2. Encouraged relations with the host country
 3. Kept alive an American tradition
 4. Met an emergency need
- Describe the level of impact of the volunteer work on the group it was intended to serve.
- Describe the duration of the commitment. Be sure to include the number of years, or months, or approximate number of hours committed to this activity.
- Describe what makes the volunteer activity unique and/or extraordinary.

Personal Statement

If an individual other than the nominee wrote the Narrative, then the nominee must write a Personal Statement. On a separate page(s), the nominee should describe his/her community service project or activities, any particular challenges related to the service project or activities, and the impact the service project or activities has had on the nominee. (Maximum: 750 words)

Impact Statement

The nominee should include an impact statement as part of their Personal Statement or as part of the Narrative if the nominee is nominating themselves:

- How many hours did you spend (one-time, weekly, monthly, annually) over what period of time (days, weeks, months, years) on your project?
- How would you quantify the impact of your project(s) in terms of people helped, dollars raised, etc.?

Supporting Letter

Include one supporting letter from a member of the community, such as a teacher, counselor, coach, or other non-family authority figure. Do not send transcripts, award certificates or other documents.

Photograph

Include an individual photo of the nominee and a photo featuring the nominee involved in their community service.