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2025 Civic Youth Awards Nomination deadline: 11:59 p.m. on March 9, 2025

The City of North Vancouver hosts the Civic Youth Awards each year during BC Youth Week (May 1-7) to celebrate the achievements and dedication of youth, youth groups, supporters of youth and youth friendly businesses within in the City of North Vancouver's community.

The Civic Youth Awards acknowledge those youth, adults and youth groups who have made a significant contribution to their local or global community and who show initiative, enthusiasm, commitment and a positive attitude.

The City of North Vancouver asks community members and professionals working with exceptional youth, youth groups or supporters of youth to nominate them for an award. The Civic Youth Awards recognizes youth between the ages of 10 and 24. Awards in six categories are considered annually.

Category Descriptions:

RISE UP AWARD

The Rise Up Award recognizes youth who have overcome adversity and recorded noteworthy achievements in some line of endeavor or have exhibited a commitment to personal change and growth. Such areas could include:

- Making great personal strides; i.
- ii. Overcoming personal or societal barriers or
- Demonstrating or possessing outstanding music, scholastic, art or sports iii. acumen.

GIVE BACK AWARD

The Give Back Award recognizes youth who have made positive contributions to the community on a voluntary basis such as serving on a committee and other volunteer work with organizations or groups. All nominees must have provided a minimum of 75 hours of school or community services.

KIND HEART AWARD

The Kind Heart Award recognizes youth who have demonstrated an act of bravery, selflessness or a notable deed for the betterment of another or the community. The act may have occurred locally, spontaneously or as part of a group. The act may have occurred locally, nationally or internationally. The act may have bettered the lives of humans or animals.

BEST YOUTH FRIENDLY BIZ AWARD

The Best Youth Friendly Biz Award recognizes a business that has performed an exceptional job in hiring or training youth, providing opportunities for youth or providing funding for youth activities. Support could be for one youth or a number of youth.

AWESOME ALLY AWARD

The Awesome Ally Award recognizes a mentor or agency that has provided exceptional support and services to youth.

OUTSTANDING SQUAD AWARD

The Outstanding Squad Award recognizes a group of youth who have completed a minimum of 50 hours per person of community or school service, resulting in a program(s) or service(s) of enhancement for their school or their local or global community (must be above and beyond regular class curriculum).

Nomination Criteria:

- 1. A completed Nomination Form (PDF or Word) must be received by the deadline.
- 2. Youth recipients cannot have received an award in the same category from the City within the last three years.
- 3. The nominator must not be related to an individual nominee, but may be related to one or more members of a group nominee.
- 4. The nominee does not have to live in the City of North Vancouver but the activities which are being acknowledged must have occurred in the City of North Vancouver.
- 5. If the nominee is a City of North Vancouver resident, the activities which are being acknowledged may have occurred in another community.
- 6. The eligible age for nominees is 10 24 years of age.

Process for Nominations:

Award candidates may be nominated by individuals, non-profit agencies, businesses or other organizations.

Nomination forms are available:

- 1. Online: <u>www.cnv.org/youthawards</u>
- 2. By request from <u>youth@cnv.org</u>.

Submit completed nominations:

- 1. By email to <u>youth@cnv.org</u>.
- 2. Hand-delivered: To: Community Development Coordinator
 - City of North Vancouver 141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver, BC, V7M 1H9

The application deadline is 11:59 on March _____(TBA)

p.m. Selection and Awards Process:

- 1. Once the nomination forms are received by the deadline, they will be reviewed by the Youth Awards Selection Committee and referred to Council. Council selects recipients from the list of nominees.
- 2. The selected nominees will be contacted by letter or email.
- 3. The nominators will also be contacted by letter or email.
- 4. More than one award in each category may be granted in one year.
- Information about the awards presented, including the names and photos of the award recipients, will be published on the City of North Vancouver's website. Recipients are asked to inform the City of North Vancouver if they do NOT wish to have their name or photo published.

Questions? Email <u>youth@cnv.org</u>

