

# 2025 ASHE COUNTY VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION NOMINATION FORM

**PLEASE COMPLETE EVERY SECTION OF THIS FORM MARKED WITH AN \***

\*Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\*Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Name of Organization Where Volunteer Serves: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Nominee's Organization/Group Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Organization Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Organization Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Nominated By: \_\_\_\_\_

## **NOMINEE TYPE\* (ONLY CHOOSE ONE!!)**

- Individual:** An individual who volunteers.
- Family:** A family that volunteers together on the same project(s).
- Group/Team:** A group or team of two or more people that volunteer together on the same project(s).
- Youth:** A person (age 18 or younger) who volunteers.
- Senior:** A person (age 55 or older) who volunteers.
- Perseverance in Volunteerism:** A person who has overcome significant obstacles (mental and/or physical) in order to engage in service to others.
- Faith-Based Entity:** An individual, family, group/team, youth or senior that volunteers through a faith-based community organization.
- Corporate/Business:** A for-profit or non-for-profit entity that has made a substantial impact in the community by encouraging employees to engage in public service.
- National Service:** Anyone who volunteers with a National Service program (AmeriCorps, VISTA or Senior Corps).
- Director of Volunteers:** A paid staff member who exceeds expectations of good volunteer management skills including recruitment, training, coordination, risk management, evaluation, retention and recognition of volunteers. *Other related job titles may include Volunteer Program Director or Manager of Volunteers.*

## **SERVICE CATEGORIES / Mark all boxes that apply to the nominee's service**

- Veteran/Military:** Provides volunteer services to military families or veterans.
- Serving Youth:** Demonstrates an outstanding commitment to mentoring or educating youth (ages 18 and younger).
- Disaster:** Volunteers in disaster preparedness, response, recovery or mitigation activities. (unpaid)
- Animals:** Demonstrates outstanding commitment to volunteering with or for animals.
- Cultural: Demonstrates outstanding commitment to volunteering in history, music, or the arts.**
- Environment:** Indicates an exceptional commitment to environmental stewardship.
- Health & Human Services:** Shows remarkable dedication to those in need.
- Other (Please Specify):**

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- Lifetime Achievement:** An individual who has exhibited a lifelong commitment to volunteerism and community service. Nominees must have made a substantial and long-term sustained impact in the community as a result of their service efforts.

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**Please Note:** All nominations will be recognized at the annual awards ceremony along with the organization with whom they volunteer.

- Nominees must be residents of or located in Ashe County.
- Volunteers of the year are determined by the Nominating Committee.
- Volunteers may be nominated in more than one category. The Nominating Committee reserves the right to make final decisions as to the appropriate category for nominees.
- Organizations and individuals may make more than one nomination in each category.

**Nominees will be notified prior to awards ceremony by letter. Please provide a complete mailing address for each nominee.**

All nominations must be submitted on or before 5:00 pm, Friday, February 14, 2025. ***Nominations will not be accepted after this date.*** For more information, contact Jennifer Richardson, Ashe County Volunteer Coordinator, at 246-4347.

**In order to be considered for Volunteer of the Year Award (in any category) or the Lifetime Achievement Award, a thorough description of the volunteer's efforts must be submitted. Please complete the nomination form in full.**

On a separate sheet of paper, write a narrative of the nominee's community contributions. **Please include the following in your narrative:**

- Describe the nominee's outstanding commitment to volunteerism and to the agency or organization they served.
- Describe the nominee's outstanding accomplishments and how the impact of their service has helped meet critical needs in their community.
- Describe the nominee's special skills, qualities and/or leadership qualities.
- Please include nominee's total length of volunteer time served at each organization and their primary duties at each organization that they have served.

**These narratives will be used to determine the volunteers of the year (in each category) and lifetime achievement award winners.**

Send completed applications to:

**Jennifer Richardson  
Generations Ashe  
180 Chattyrob Lane  
West Jefferson, NC 28694**

Or email your nomination(s) to [jenniferrichardson@ashecountygov.com](mailto:jenniferrichardson@ashecountygov.com)