GREENE COUNTY SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2026 GOVERNOR'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARDS

Nominations are now being accepted for the **2026 Governor's Volunteer Service Award** for Greene County Volunteers. **Special Volunteer Types:** Individual, Group, National Service **Areas of Volunteer Service:** Veteran/Military, Youth, Seniors, Historically Underserved Populations, Disaster, Animals, Cultural, Environment, Health & Human Services, Lifetime Achievement & other. **The nomination form has more detail under each category.**

The awards program, created by the Office of the Governor in 1979, recognizes North Carolina's most dedicated volunteers. Through the years, the award has been bestowed on thousands of North Carolinians who have shown concern and compassion for their neighbors by volunteering in their local community.

Each county selects up to ten individuals, businesses, groups/teams and one paid Director of Volunteers to be recognized for their outstanding contributions to their communities. One of the nominees will be nominated for the Governor's Medallion Award for Volunteer Service, which is awarded to the top 20 volunteers in the state. A local committee evaluates the nominations. **As part of the process, references will be verified by the committee.**

2026 Nomination Form Information:

Deadline to submit online, paper, or emailed forms-Friday, Jan. 30th, 2026.

- The 2026 Nomination Form can be found on the NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service website at https://www.nc.gov/working/volunteer-opportunities/volunteernc/governors-volunteer-service-awards. These links are in blue. Preferred Method: Greene County is preferring that nomination forms be completed in PDF or WS Word Format, so they can be reviewed before being submitted to the state. Forms in the PDF or MS Word Format will need to be emailed to sharon.harrison@greenecountync.gov. Please read the form carefully. There is a 150-word minimum to describe your nominee's impact on the form which must be completed to be accepted.
- The ONLINE FORM, is located at: https://www.nc.gov/working/volunteer-opportunities/volunteernc/governors-volunteer-service-awards click on the word online, and it will take your to a survey monkey link to complete for your Nominee. Nominators can fill out the form online and then the Commission will send the forms back to the Award Coordinator for their respective county. Before you submit, please check for errors or any missed information that could help your Nominee. Please read the form carefully. Online entries must have at least 150 words to describe the nominee's special skills to be accepted.
- To request a paper copy of the nomination form, call or email the contact information below. Please note that Nomination Forms **MUST BE TYPED**. Handwritten forms will not be accepted. If you use the ONLINE FORM, you will NOT Need to submit a paper application.
- The application has information on eligibility, submission requirements, and award selection. Read these sections carefully. The application will need the contact information of the person being nominated in Section 2 under Nominee Information. **Tips for Writing an Effective Award Nomination** are found on the website along with the online form, and will be made available to individuals requesting a paper copy of the form.

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