2017 Women of Distinction Nomination Form

Nominations due by Friday, December 30, 2016

OBJECTIVE
To honor and recognize women and girls of all ages from the Greater Mankato Area whose achievements have made a significant contribution to community life and embody the mission of the YWCA.

YWCA MISSION
YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

GENERAL CRITERIA
1. The nominee must currently reside or be employed in the Greater Mankato Area.
2. The nominee’s contributions may be on the community, state or national level.
3. The nominee embodies the YWCA mission of eliminating racism and empowering women.
4. The nominee works to enrich our community and its members through accomplishments/initiatives by way of employment and/or volunteerism.

AREAS OF INFLUENCE
- Arts/culture
- Education
- Immigrant & refugee services/support
- Public Service
- Social change
- Volunteerism
- Women's leadership
- Youth Development
- Other

NOMINATION PROCESS
Points are awarded for the questions found on the following page. Failure to include information in a particular area will significantly affect the success of your nomination. Up to three letters of support will be accepted with each nomination. Letters of support are highly encouraged by the Selection Committee but not required and can be from an individual or a group of people. If the nominee is not selected for the award, their application will be kept on file and considered for up to two years.

Nominations can be submitted by mail, fax or email. YWCA Mankato must receive all nominations by FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2016.

Awards will be given during the Women of Distinction Event which takes place on the evening of Tuesday, March 28, 2017.
YOUR INFORMATION
Name: ________________________________________________________________

Business/Organization: __________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________ Email: __________________________________

NOMINEE INFORMATION

□ WOMAN OF DISTINCTION (41 years of age or older)
□ YOUNG WOMAN OF DISTINCTION (___22-40 years of age  ___Under 21 years of age )

Name: ___________________________________________ Date of Birth: ________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________ Email: __________________________________

Occupation: ____________________________

Business/Organization: ______________________________________________________

Business/Organization Address: ________________________________________________

If the nominee is under the age of 18, please provide parent/guardian contact information as well.

Name(s) ________________________________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________ Email: __________________________________

NOMINEE NARRATIVE

1. Tell us about your relationship with the honoree.
2. What can you tell us about the nominee’s journey to get where they are now? (up to 30 points)
3. Give specific examples of the nominee’s leadership ability, contributions and impact upon the community. (up to 30 points)
4. Give specific examples of what the nominee has done toward the empowerment of women and/or eliminating racism & discrimination. (up to 40 points)

SUBMIT NOMINATIONS & LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO:
YWCA WOMEN OF DISTINCTION
ATTN: SELECTION COMMITTEE
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