2017 Service-Learning Practitioner Leadership Award

THE SERVICE-LEARNING PRACTITIONER LEADERSHIP AWARD recognizes practitioners who have equipped young people to lead and to serve, both through their direct service-learning instruction with youth and by nurturing other practitioners to expand their service-learning skills and knowledge. Each year, this award is presented to a teacher or community member who has created a living legacy through service-learning practice.

Nominations are accepted from the general public. Representatives from the National Youth Leadership Council will review applications, specifically looking for nominees who have had a major hand in expanding and advancing the field. One winner will be selected. This award will be presented at Educate. Ignite. Transform. in Anaheim, Calif., March 22-24, 2017. The selected practitioner will receive travel, lodging, and registration for the conference.

ELIGIBILITY
Service-learning practitioners from K-12 programs in which the service-learning is tied to the school curricula may be nominated. Preference will be given to practitioners who have worked in the field for more than five years with ongoing programs and projects. (Note: This is a service-learning award, not a community service award. If you are unsure of the difference, please contact NYLC.)

TO APPLY:
1. Complete the cover page.
2. Use up to four additional pages to answer the questions at the bottom of the cover page. These pages should be typed, single-sided, double-spaced, and in a 12-point font.
3. Three letters of recommendation should be provided from individuals and organizations supporting the nomination, two of which should come from outside of the nominee’s organization. The letters should provide examples of, or reasons why, the nominee qualifies for the award.

Questions? Contact Jason Stewart at (651) 999-7363 or jstewart@nylc.org.

NOTIFICATION
NYLC will confirm receipt of nominations by email if the nominator provides his or her email address on the application. The winner and nominator will be selected and notified by December 18, 2016. The selected practitioner will be asked to submit a headshot and short bio to be used in the program guide and for the awards ceremony during Dare to Dream.

A downloadable version of this form is available at www.nylc.org/awards. The cover page, additional pages, and letters should be sent together as one package. Submissions must be received by December 5, 2016.

MAIL SUBMISSIONS TO:
National Youth Leadership Council
Attention: Jason Stewart
1667 Snelling Avenue North, Suite D300
Saint Paul, MN 55108

Nominations will not be accepted by fax or email.

PAST RECIPIENTS INCLUDE:
• Joe Follman, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
• Joan Liptrot, Rider University, Lawrence, NJ
• Beth Nickle, Bailey Alternative High School, Springfield, MO
• Nan Peterson, The Blake School, Hopkins, MN
• Kathy Bartsias, Duluth Public Schools, Duluth, MN
• Michael Genovese, SPARC/Holy Cross High School, Flushing, NY
• Beverly Hiott, Richland 2, Richland, SC
• Mary Rodgers, Abington Senior High School, Abington, PA
• Deborah Wagner, Ionia County ISD, Ionia, MI
• Barbara Shaiman, Champions of Caring, Villanova, PA
• Jan Schuster, Kirkwood School District, Kirkwood, MO
• Jane Hammatt Kavaloski, Malcolm Shabazz City High School, Madison, WI
• Anne Thidemann French, North Adams Public Schools, MA
NOMINATION COVER PAGE

Nominator Name: ____________________________________________________________

Title: _____________________________________________________________________

Organization/School: _______________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: __________________________________________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________ Best time to be reached at this number: ________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________________________

I would like to nominate the following person for the 2016 Service-Learning Practitioner Leadership Award:

Nominee Name: __________________________________________________________________

Title: __________________________________________________________________________

Organization/School: __________________________________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: _____________________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________________________________________________________

Email: ___________________________________________________________________________

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the cover page and use up to four additional pages to answer the following questions. These pages should be typed, single-sided, double-spaced, and in a 12-point font.

1. Why are you nominating this person for the service-learning practitioner award?

2. List specific organizations, schools, and agencies where the nominee has worked as a service-learning practitioner. Please specify how long the nominee worked with each organization.

3. How has your nominee implemented and integrated service-learning in his or her school setting? Be sure to include examples, if possible, of how they incorporated core components of service-learning.

4. How has the nominee’s model of leadership nurtured others in the field, helping them to understand service-learning and become service-learning practitioners?

5. Please describe how the nominee has demonstrated an impact on the field of service-learning in a minimum of two of the following areas:
   • Policy development
   • Written works
   • Research advancing the field of service-learning
   • Creating successful, replicable program models
   • National advocacy