Friend of Philanthropy Award

Background
The Wayne County Community Foundation (WCCF) Friend of Philanthropy Award was awarded for the first time in 2013. This award is meant to honor those who make a difference in our communities through their philanthropic activities, which can include financial contributions that benefit the community; volunteering; and giving of their time, resources and skills for the betterment of the Wayne County area.

Selection & Recognition
A volunteer peer review panel, comprised of at least one current WCCF staff member, two WCCF board members, two WCCF Ambassadors and two at-large panelists, will review all nominations and select the recipient(s).

The recipient(s) will be honored at the WCCF Annual Meeting, held in October. They will also be presented with an engraved plaque and a $1,000 grant will be made on their behalf to the charity of the recipient’s choice.

Eligibility
Nominee must be an individual or couple, who demonstrates a continuing history of volunteer work and/or contributions that advance the quality of life or grow community philanthropy in Wayne County, Ohio. Current WCCF board members and Foundation staff may not be nominated. Awards may be made posthumously if the recipient(s) passed away no more than twelve (12) months prior to nominations being due.

Nomination Process/Guidelines
Nominations may be made by any person(s) residing and/or working within Wayne County. They will be accepted for an individual or couple who have demonstrated commitment, leadership, impact and creativity through service and philanthropy in Wayne County.
Attach to the Nomination Form no more than two pages of narrative in this order that describes at least three of the following:

1. **Commitment**: the nominee(s)’s length of service to the community.
2. **Leadership**: how the nominee(s) has demonstrated leadership in his/her/their philanthropic activities.
3. **Impact**: three to five ways in which the nominee(s) has made a difference in his/her/their community, in strengthening various sectors of the nonprofit world through volunteering of their time, financial contributions and/or giving of their personal or professional skills and abilities.
4. **Creativity/Advocacy**: the nominee(s)’s support of innovative ideas in their community’s nonprofit and public sectors through involvement and advocacy.

**Submission**

Please submit the attached typed Nomination Form, including contact information for two individuals who can serve as references for the nominee(s). References should have a comprehensive knowledge of the nominee(s)’s background, accomplishments and community impact. References will be contacted for final candidates only. Nominations must be received by the WCCF by Noon on July 1st.

Submissions may be faxed, mailed or e-mailed to:
Lacie Neal, Program Manager
Wayne County Community Foundation
517 North Market Street, Wooster, OH  44691
Fax: 330.262.8057
E-mail: lneal_wccf@sssnet.com
Questions? Call 330.262.3877

**About the Award Sponsor**

The Wayne County Community Foundation (WCCF) is a nonprofit charitable community organization that works to strengthen the community we all share by helping donors make a lasting difference with their philanthropic endeavors – connecting their dreams and passions with causes that matter.
Friend of Philanthropy Award Nomination Form

Nominee(s) Information (person who would receive this award)

Name(s): _____________________________________________________________
Home Address: ______________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Phone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________
Business/Organization Name: __________________________________________
Title/Position: ______________________________________________________
Business Address: ___________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Phone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Nominator Information

Name: __________________________
Contact Address: ___________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Phone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

References
Please provide two references that are familiar with and can verify the scope and extent of the nominee’s activities. They may not be the nominator, nominee or nominee relative.

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