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This award will be presented annually to Saskatchewan's most outstanding volunteer of the year.

Nominations:

Each Special Olympics accredited community and zone is encouraged to nominate volunteers who they feel are worthy of receiving this prestigious award. . Nominations are accepted from any SOS member in good standing including: **the executive committee, coaches, volunteers, athletes, Board of Directors, Sport Advisory Council, and the provincial office** by (annual deadline date). All nominations must be accompanied by a Nomination Form (attached), one (1) letter of reference, and either a digital photo OR a passport sized photo (hard copy).

The Special Olympics Saskatchewan Awards committee will carefully review the nominations and select the winner.

Award Criteria:

- Special Olympics volunteers (other than coaches) who have made a significant contribution will be considered. Service clubs and corporations are not eligible.
- The nominee should be known and highly respected within his/her community and/or zone, and across the province.
- The nominee should illustrate strong leadership and have made an outstanding contribution in **one or more** of the following areas: sport, marketing/fundraising, administration, and/or major games, other.
- The nominee should be dedicated to the Special Olympics movement and should display characteristics of integrity and exemplary conduct.
- The nominee should have a minimum of five (5) years of service as a Special Olympics volunteer.

Award Recognition:

- This award will be presented to the successful recipient at the Provincial Awards Banquet held annually.
- The recipient will receive a Volunteer of the Year plaque.
- The recipient's name will be added to Special Olympics Saskatchewan memorial plaque.
- The recipients and nominees will be recognized in the Special Olympics Saskatchewan newsletter.
- The volunteer will be further considered for the National Jim Thompson Award.

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Nominee's Name: _____		
Address: _____		
City: _____	Postal Code: _____	
Telephone Number: (H) _____	(B) _____	
E-Mail: _____		
In what area(s) has the nominee contributed to Special Olympics?		
• Sport	• Marketing/Fundraising	• Other
• Administration	• Major Games	• _____
Gender: (Please Circle) Male Female		

Please give three (3) reasons why the nominee is deserving of this award.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

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Please describe the nominee's contribution(s) to Special Olympics in the space provided below and how is it enhanced Special Olympics in your zone/community.

How does the nominee exemplify the spirit, philosophy and goals of Special Olympics?

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Please complete the nomination form and return by the deadline date of each program year.

Nominated by: _____		
Address: _____		
City/Town: _____	Postal Code	_____
Phone Number: (H) _____	(B) _____	
E-mail: _____		
_____	_____	_____
(Signature)	Position relating to SOS	Date
_____	_____	_____
(Witness Signature)	Position relating to SOS	Date

FOR OFFICE ADMIN ONLY:	
DATE RECEIVED:	
MEMBER SINCE:	
NCCP#:	
INITIALS:	