



Spirit of Philanthropy Award

Submission Deadline: April 1, 2024

The Spirit of Philanthropy Award was established in 2001 by the Wyoming Community Foundation's Board of Directors to celebrate the spirit of philanthropy in Wyoming and to honor an individual or family who has demonstrated outstanding philanthropic leadership. The nominee will have made an extraordinary personal commitment to preserving and enhancing the quality of life for Wyoming citizens.

AWARD: The Spirit of Philanthropy award is made biennially, during the Wyoming Nonprofit Conference, a gathering of nonprofit leaders. The award recipient will receive a commemorative plaque and will choose a charitable 501(c)(3) organization within Wyoming to receive a cash award. This year, the award amount is \$5,000 and will be approved by the WYCF's Board.

CRITERIA: While "philanthropic spirit" is generally characterized by kindness to one's fellow human beings, the award committee specifically seeks individuals or families who have created or promoted benevolent projects or ideas. That is, nominees who have been extraordinarily generous of their wealth, as well as their wisdom, and work.

In addition:

- All nominees must be living at the time of their nomination.
- The philanthropic activities for which an individual or family is being nominated must directly benefit citizens of Wyoming.
- Nominees may not receive salaries or stipends for the activities for which they are being nominated.
- No past winners, and no current member of the WYCF Board, affiliate boards, or staff may be nominated.

Past Winners:

2022 – Mary Garland, Laramie

2018 – Susan Samuelson, Cheyenne

2016 – Dave Kathka, Rock Springs

2014 – Lollie Benz Plank, Banner

2012 – Bayard (Bart) Rea, Casper

2010 – Carol R. McKinley, Evanston

2008 – Peter Storer, Saratoga*

2006 – W. Neil McMurry, Casper *

2004 – John P. Jorgensen, Casper

2002 – Joseph H. (Joe) Watt, Sheridan*

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Nomination Form

The 2024 Spirit of Philanthropy Award

Name of Nominee _____

Profession or position _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Your Name _____

Your Organization _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Your Signature _____ Date _____

After reviewing the criteria in the attached announcement, please answer the following questions as completely as you can. Please limit your narrative to two sheets of paper. Attach your responses to this nomination form and mail to the address below or complete it online at wycf.org/spiritofphilanthropyaward/.

How has your nominee created or promoted benevolent projects or ideas within your organization, within your community or within Wyoming?

1. Give examples of how your nominee has been extraordinarily generous with their wisdom, wealth and work. While you may be as specific as you wish, we do not seek to know actual amounts of monetary gifts.
2. Anything else you wish to tell us about your nominee?

Nominations for 2024 must be submitted on or before Monday, April 1, 2024.

Return this application to:

Wyoming Community Foundation
Attn: Vickery Fales Hall, vickery@wycf.org or
259 S. Center Street, Suite 317, Casper, WY 82601

The 2024 Spirit of Philanthropy Award will be awarded at the Wyoming Nonprofit Conference in Casper on May 15th.