

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NATIONAL AWARDS



Campvention will once again be the time for the presentation of awards to persons who have been selected to receive them for their service or other contributions to FCRV, camping, conservation, etc. In some cases they may be awarded at another time or place. You, in the Field, are the best qualified to suggest and nominate the people who should be honored. We request only that you be judicious in your choice of nominations. Please, recommend only those persons who have made unusual contributions to FCRV, camping, conservation, or others that fall in line with our specific programs.

The Awards Committee is responsible to the National Director. The committee selections must be approved by the Trustees.

The Awards Committee will evaluate all qualified nominations and make the final selections for those to be awarded Plaques and Citations. The selections will be determined by the point system. Up to five Plaques may be awarded. A total of up to twenty-one (21) entries may be selected for these awards.

A list of all previous recipients of Plaques and Citations is posted at fcrv.org. The list is in alphabetical order so that names can be checked quickly. **Please take the time to check and see if the individuals you are nominating have already been presented with an award. A couple or individual may be considered for an additional Citation if the circumstances warrant. Plaques are only awarded once.**

The committee must have time to study the nominations, make their selections, and present them to the Trustees for approval. It is requested that you fill out the nomination form **immediately** and return it to the **National Director**. Please give the committee time to make the selections without a last minute rush. It is necessary to have these selections presented to the Executive Board before Campvention.

Please give complete information in each category to support the nomination you wish to make. The candidates are judged only on information supplied by you. Be thorough. Points are given for each category, so the more information you give, the easier it will be for the committee. The number of nominations submitted for a couple or individual is not as important as the giving of **complete, detailed information**, so be specific. Keep your categories separate. Do not overlap chapter, State/Provincial, or National information. If you have more than one nomination to make, you may copy the form.

Nominations will only be accepted through Field, District, State/Provincial Directors, other members of the Executive Board, and the Trustees. All nomination forms **must be signed by a Director or Trustee or submitted by email from a recognized email address to be valid.**

Chapters who have performed outstanding activities for the betterment of FCRV may also be considered for the “Chapter of the Year” award. That form is enclosed.

Members who have performed outstanding Lifesaving acts may also be considered for a “Lifesaving Award “ from FCRV. That form is enclosed.

Members who have performed outstanding humanitarian acts may also be considered for the “Humanitarian Award” from FCRV. That form is enclosed.

PREFERRED - If you wish to submit your nomination electronically, please do so. The Ex Board has received their copies this way and I encourage the State/Provincial and Regional Directors to send the forms to their staff that may be online. If you do email them, please send them as attachments and ignore the request for a signature as your email address will serve in that capacity. If you are a staff member, please indicate the State/Province and position.

When submitting an electronic nomination for Chapter of the Year, use the form as you receive it. No extra pages. Please lower the size of the font, but don’t make it too small. It must be copied for judging.

Be sure to check the top of the form and designate for which award your nomination is being submitted. Also be sure to include the person’s valid mailing address.

Your cooperation is appreciated. Additional award information is available in your Field Manual.

April 15th is the DEADLINE-----NO extensions

Nomination forms postmarked or email dated after the April 15th date will not be considered nor returned.

AWARDS PROGRAM

Purpose of Awards -

To recognize those members who have made an outstanding contribution to the organization.

1. Plaques - are the highest award given by the organization. Plaques are awarded only to member individuals or families who have contributed outstanding service to FCRV.
2. Citations - are second to the highest award given by the organization. Citations are awarded to member individuals or families who have contributed beyond the normal call of duty to members or chapters in their area.
3. Letters of Commendation – letters of recognition to families or individuals who have contributed significantly to FCRV activities within the region where the award is given.
4. Special Awards - may be declared by action of the National Board of Trustees at any time.

Number of Awards -

1. Plaques – a maximum of five member plaques may be awarded each year. Up to four of the five plaques may be awarded to entries with Executive Board service. If a family or individual has previously received a plaque, they are ineligible to receive another.
2. Citations – a maximum of sixteen citations may be awarded each year to FCRV members. A family or individual may be considered for an additional Citation if the circumstances warrant the consideration and they have previously received a Citation.
3. Letters of Commendation – each region shall be limited to one per State/Province or one per thousand in the region, whichever is greater.

Who May Propose Names ? -

1. Any member may propose an individual or family through their local Field, State/Provincial Director or any member of the Executive Board or Trustees.
2. Special forms will be prepared by the National Director and mailed to all Field Directors and Executive Board members for the purpose of nominating members for consideration by the Awards Committee no later than April 15th of each year.

What Constitutes a Plaque or Citation Award ? -

1. Plaques are only given to individuals who have contributed outstanding service to FCRV
2. Citations are given to individuals who have contributed beyond the normal call of duty to members or chapters in their area.
3. The member submitting the name or names *shall not* indicate whether he feels the member should be considered for a plaque or a citation as the type award is determined by the Awards Committee.

The Awards Committee -

1. The Awards Committee is under the direction of the National Director and the National Board of Trustees.

2. The National Director shall appoint at least three (3) FCRV members to a committee with the approval of the Board of the Trustees to judge and select the winners of the National awards.
3. The committee shall consist of:
 - a. Any Field Director who has been active in FCRV work for at least three years.
 - b. A member of the Executive Board who has served at least two years and has been active in attendance at meetings.
 - c. One member who has received a plaque and is still active in the normal operation of FCRV activities.
 - d. No two members shall be from the same region.