

# Texas Department of Criminal Justice/Governor's Criminal Justice Volunteer Awards

## *NOMINATION APPLICATION for Fiscal Year 2016*

The TDCJ Volunteer Coordination Committee will finalize selections of all nominated categories and recipients based on established criteria.

### Categories for Nomination

1. **“Carol Vance” Volunteer of the Year Award**  
Recognizes the volunteer/organization representing the highest standard of service provided to TDCJ.
2. **Restorative Justice Award**  
Recognizes the contributions of a volunteer/organization that promotes the repair, restoration, and reintegration of offenders, victims and the community to include these concepts:
  - Crime is a violation of people and relationships.
  - Crime creates obligations to make things right.
  - Justice involves the victim, the offender and the community.
3. **“Susan Cranford” Female Offender Program Award**  
Recognizes a volunteer/organization that provides an outstanding, rehabilitative program for female offenders.
4. **Most Innovative Program Award**  
Recognizes a new, different or innovative program.
5. **Community Service Award**  
Recognizes a community, civic, or service organization, private business, foundation or corporation, which has contributed significantly to the criminal justice system through volunteer service.
6. **Best Family Program Award**  
Recognizes a volunteer/organization which provides the best supportive services for families of offenders and/or victims.
7. **“Leonard Davis” Award for Most Hours Served**  
Recognizes the volunteer who has served the most hours during fiscal year 2016. *(Recipient selected from recorded visits which will be computer generated).*
8. **Extensive Travel**  
Recognizes the volunteer who has conducted the most extensive travel to provide services during fiscal year 2016. Documentation of distance and/or number of units or offices impacted by travel must be provided.
9. **TDCJ Employee Volunteer Award**  
Recognizes a TDCJ employee who ALSO donates their services. The employee must be an approved TDCJ volunteer and their service must be different from their job duties and outside of their normal work hours.
10. **Criminal Justice Administrator Award**  
Recognizes a criminal justice administrator who has provided significant programming objectives to the agency. This administrator does not have to be an approved volunteer.
11. **Division/Department Award**  
Each of the following divisions/departments will recognize a volunteer/organization that has contributed significantly to that division/department: Chaplaincy, CID, PFCMOD, PD, SATP, SOTP, VS, WSD, RID, Health Services)

\*\* *Nominations for all categories should represent:*

- *Volunteers who are currently providing service,*
- *The diversity of volunteers serving TDCJ, and*
- *The impact of their volunteer service upon the programming and rehabilitation of offenders within the agency's custody and/or supervision, their families and/or victims as appropriate.*

**\*\*\* Please Type or Print \*\*\***  
*The following information must be provided for your nomination to be considered.*

**Category selected for Nomination:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee** (check one that applies): **Individual** \_\_\_\_\_ **Employee** \_\_\_\_\_ **Organization** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DL #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization's Name** (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Phone:** Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Facility where the volunteer serves:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact information for volunteer's supervisor:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nomination Statement:** The nomination statement, or endorsements from staff, offenders, volunteers or victims, may include items such as: volunteer service description/achievement, location, duration, and frequency; importance of program or project to the rehabilitation or reintegration of offenders and/or service to offenders or victims; challenges involved; innovative methods used; overall impact of service. Any supporting materials such as news clippings, pamphlets, etc. must not exceed 3 pages. Do not submit anything that must be returned. Be sure that all information is complete and legible. (*Attach additional pages if needed.*)

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**Signature of Nominator**

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