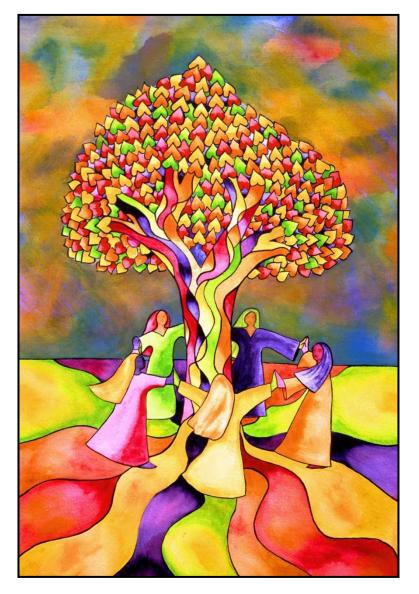
Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

2023 P.E.A.C.E. Awards

Call for Nominations



"Promoting Excellence in Advocacy for Change and Empowerment"

"Celebration" artwork by Rita Loyd

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The Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (WCADVSA) will present the P.E.A.C.E. Award annually in recognition of those who demonstrate excellence and initiative to serve and advance the rights of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. As peace is the antithesis of violence, the award stands for *"Promoting Excellence in Advocacy for Change and Empowerment."* The award acknowledges the valuable role individuals and organizations play in the effort to end violence and empower victims in Wyoming. The P.E.A.C.E. Award also serves as a challenge for all to work collectively to improve life for those affected by violence in our communities and worldwide.

Categories for the P.E.A.C.E. Award are:

- Outstanding Advocate This award seeks to spotlight exemplary direct service domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking advocates who have gone the extra mile to promote the safety and welfare of victims and their families. An outstanding advocate empowers victims in their journey to becoming survivors.
- 2. Leadership in Advocacy This award recognizes visionary individuals and/or organizations who have dared to not only address issues of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking but have actively dedicated themselves to finding innovative solutions and alternatives to interpersonal violence in our State. A leader in advocacy has served a minimum of five (5) years as a mentor or inspiration to others in their organization, community, or state-wide in service to victims and to ending interpersonal violence in Wyoming.
- 3. Leadership in Policy This award recognizes local and state lawmakers, policymakers and elected officials who have improved Wyoming's response to issues of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking through enactment and/or implementation of policies or laws to uphold the rights of victims and/or to hold offenders accountable.
- 4. Partners in Advocacy This award recognizes individuals and/or organizations who have worked as significant allies to improve services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, to support local domestic violence/sexual assault programs, and have contributed to promoting prevention to end interpersonal violence in Wyoming.
- Lifetime Contribution This award highlights individuals whose lives have been dedicated to ending violence against women. Their sustained span of work (minimum of 10 years) will demonstrate a positive impact on individuals, organizations, or communities to address issues of interpersonal violence in Wyoming.

Awards will be made on the merits of nominations in each category each year. The WCADVSA reserves the right to determine the number and category of awards given each year based on the quantity and quality of nominations received.

Recipients will be announced at the WCADVSA P.E.A.C.E. Awards banquet August 3, 2023 at the Best Western Downtown Casper Hotel (123 West E Street, Casper, WY, 82601).

CRITERIA

Leadership	Motivates and inspires others, serves as a role model, upholds ethical values and standards of ethical conduct, influences others to get involved.
Effectiveness	Highly successful in achieving positive changes for individuals, communities and society, personally and professionally builds relationships that promote non-violence.
Dedication	Shares the philosophy and mission of the WCADVSA "to provide leadership, education, and systems advocacy to advance social change and end violence" and is visibly committed to this goal.

WHO CAN BE NOMINATED

All individuals and/or organizations whom have worked with or on behalf of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Consider nominating current and former staff advocates, volunteers, directors, and board members, as well as community partners, teachers, policymakers, health care providers, law enforcement, faith leaders, prosecutors, or judges, etc.

PROCESS

All individuals and/or organizations may submit nominations in any category. The WCADVSA Recognition Committee will evaluate all submissions that meet requirements outlined in the award description. Entries will be judged on content and quality of the written submission and supporting documents. All nominations must include a *letter of recommendation* from the nominator and *a minimum of two (2) letters of support*, preferably from outside agencies. Letters should be specific to each agency's interactions with the nominee. Up to three (3) letters of support for the individual nominated are welcome from peers, colleagues or community members. The quality and content of the letters will be weighed more heavily than the volume of letters. All submissions including support material become the property of the WCADVSA and will not be returned.

Recipients of the P.E.A.C.E. Award agree to accept the award(s) as presented and must sign a Waiver and Consent Form. By signing the nomination and waiver and consent form, nominators and nominees agree to their name being published in the announcement and promotion of the award. Past recipients of the P.E.A.C.E. Award are invited to serve as members of the award committee for the next two years following their award.

Nominations will be reviewed by the WCADVSA Recognition Committee and recommendations submitted to the WCADVSA Executive Director and the WCADVSA Board of Directors Chair for final decision.

NOMINATION

Nominating an Outstanding Advocate, Individual or Organization is easy.

- 1. Complete the Nomination Form. Incomplete nomination packets will not be considered.
- 2. Nominator writes a *letter of recommendation* which includes a brief description of the nominee's background and work history, key accomplishments, and how he/she demonstrates excellence and initiative to serve and advance the rights of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
- Nominations must include a minimum of *two (2) letters of support,* preferably from outside agencies. Letters should be specific to each agency's interactions with the nominee. A maximum of three (3) letters will be accepted.

WCADVSA P.E.A.C.E. Award 2023 NOMINATION FORM

Please accept this nomination for the following category:

____ Outstanding Advocate

____ Leadership in Policy

____ Leadership in Advocacy

Partners in Advocacy

_____ Lifetime Contribution

Nominee Information	Nominator Information
Name	Name
Title	Title
Address	Address
City	City
State & Zip Code	State & Zip Code
Work Telephone	Work Telephone
Email	Email
DVSA Program Affiliation (if applicable)	DVSA Program Affiliation (if applicable)
Nominator's Signature	Date

- 1. Complete the Nomination Form. Incomplete nomination packets will not be considered.
- Include *letter of recommendation* from nominator which includes a brief description of the nominee's background and work history, key accomplishments, and how he/she currently demonstrates or has demonstrated excellence and initiative to serve and advance the rights of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
- 3. Include two (2) letters of support. A maximum of three (3) letters will be accepted.

Nominations must be received no later than Thursday, June 22, 2023

Please send your nomination:

e-mail – <u>ccollingwood@wyomingdvsa.org</u> fax – 307-755-5482 snail mail – WCADVSA Attn:Celeste Collingwood PO Box 236 Laramie, WY 82073 *Contact the WCADVSA at 307-755-5481 with any questions about the P.E.A.C.E. Awards.*