

2008 Family Caregiving Awards Program

PURPOSE

KHON2 Elderhood Project and the Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition are pleased to announce the launch of the 2008 Family Caregiving Awards Program. The goal of this program is to improve the quality of life of family caregivers by recognizing and supporting the work of community organizations that support family caregivers and family caregivers throughout the State that exemplify their commitment to caring.

CATEGORIES

There will be one award for the first three categories. Four awards, one per county, will be given for the fourth category (examples are provided only for clarity):

Category 1: Education Award will go to an organization that has developed exemplary training programs to educate family caregivers on topics such as assisting with Activities of Daily Living needs, financial planning, time management, and others. Example: a book and/or video that shows the family caregiver how to respond positively to negative outbursts by the care recipient.

Category 2: Support Award will go to an organization that provides family caregiver support such as respite, counseling, or eldercare in a truly innovative way. Example: a mobile respite unit that serves family caregivers in a small, rural community.

Category 3: Advocacy Award will go to an organization that impacted legislation or public policies for the benefit of family caregivers. Example: an advocacy group who successfully lobbied for the Family Caregiver Omnibus bill.

Category 4: Family Caregiver Award will be given to one individual from each county who embodies the courage to face the challenges of caregiving, the compassion to ensure dignity for their loved one, and the wisdom to reach out for support.

ELIGIBILITY

Categories 1, 2, or 3

All organizations that support the needs of family caregivers of older adults (60+), including for-profit, not-for-profit, university or college, and government entities, are eligible to be nominated.

Category 4

Any family member who is caring for an older adult (60+) without compensation is eligible to be nominated.

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

All nominations must be submitted in writing using the attached form. The entire application should be no more than 3 pages in length.

HOW WILL AWARDEES BE HONORED?

Award recipients will be presented with a plaque and a gift package, and will be recognized on the KHON2 Morning Show on Thursday, November 6, 2008. The award recipient from Honolulu County for Category 4, Family Caregiver Award, will also be invited to the Family Caregiver Conference on November 1, 2008 to receive their award.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING ORGANIZATIONS (Categories 1, 2, or 3)

1. Innovation. How this program or product is new and different from others.
2. Demonstration of effectiveness or impact. How much impact the program or product has had on the knowledge or behavior of family caregivers, the general public, or policy makers.
3. Diversity. How the program or product has addressed cultural, racial, ethnic, gender, age, and other differences among caregivers or care recipients.
4. Potential for Replication or Adaptability. How others could easily begin a similar program or whether others have already done so.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING INDIVIDUALS (Category 4)

Each Area Agency on Aging will have a panel of judges to review all applications.

WHERE TO OBTAIN NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination forms are available from KHON2, the Executive Office on Aging, from your local Area Agencies on Aging, or can be downloaded from:

KHON2 – www.khon2.com

Executive Office on Aging – www.hawaii.gov/health/eoa

Kauai County Office on Aging – www.kauai.gov

Elderly Affairs Division, City & County of Honolulu – www.elderlyaffairs.com

Maui County Office on Aging, www.co.maui.hi.us/departments/Housing/aging.htm

Hawaii County Office of Aging – www.hcoahawaii.org

NOMINATIONS DEADLINE

Received via postal mail, email or fax by Friday, October 10, 2008.

Submit nominations by postal mail, email, or fax to:

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Hawaii Family Caregiver Coalition

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250 South Hotel Street, Suite 406

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- Check One: Category 1: Education Award (organization)
 Category 2: Support Award (organization)
 Category 3: Advocacy Award (organization)
 Category 4: Family Caregiver Award (individual)

Name of Organization or Individual Being Nominated (for categories 1-3, name of contact person)

Address City State Zip

Email Address Phone (daytime)

Submitted by: Name

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