



**2023**  
*Community Awards Nomination Form*

**Submit Nominations by April 1, 2023 to:**

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Name of award: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Nomination submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please refer to the award description and succinctly describe the nominee's qualifications for this award. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Provide specific reasons or examples of why you believe the individual/group deserves the award. Nominations with specific examples of achievement are more likely to be successful. Additional references for this nominee or letters of recommendation are welcome but not required. Awards will be presented at the 2023 Annual Dinner and Community Awards on May 9, 2023.*

***Achieve with us.***



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## *Community Awards Descriptions*

### **The Arc Founders Award**

This award is presented to an employee of The Arc Carroll County who demonstrates outstanding person-centered skills, dedication, creativity and teamwork. This person serves as a model for others who choose a profession in support of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

### **WAMM Special Appreciation Award**

This award is presented to individuals or groups who have provided noteworthy efforts to The Arc Carroll County and/or people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and whose ongoing efforts and actions bring to life the belief that The Arc is a place “Where Ability Matters Most.” The person or group awarded will demonstrate superior efforts in assisting individuals with disabilities achieve a meaningful and enviable life. This award is intentionally broad to encourage the nomination of anyone who has demonstrated outstanding effort that does not fit any other award category.

### **Spirit of Independence Award**

This award is presented to an individual supported by The Arc Carroll County who has improved his/ her skills or has demonstrated determination in achieving his/her goals. This may be evident in increased productivity, acquisition of a new job or job skills, transition to independent living, etc.

### **Achieve with Us Award**

This award is presented to an employee of The Arc Carroll County who excels in demonstrating our Mission, Vision and Values through their interactions with the people we support as well as their colleagues and our community.

### **Employer of the Year**

This award is presented to a company that employs people with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Consideration is given to objectivity in hiring a person with a disability, providing fair wages and benefits, efforts to promote inclusion in the workplace, and access to training/promotion opportunities.

### **Special Education Professional of the Year**

This award recognizes an education professional who has demonstrated excellence in providing quality educational opportunities and/or advocacy for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Carroll County. This individual may be a teacher, administrator, support staff, or other education professional that has had a positive impact in the life or lives of an individual student or a group of students.

### **Volunteer of the Year**

This award is presented to individuals or groups who demonstrate dedication to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through volunteer service to The Arc Carroll County and/or Arc-supported individuals. Consideration will include hours of service, dependability, and commitment to the needs of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

### **Public Service Award**

This award is presented to individuals or groups with a high public profile who advance the public’s understanding of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities or who advocate for change that improves services or the overall quality of life for people with disabilities. Nominees may include elected officials, community leaders, the media, or others in a prominent or public role.

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