



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS COMMITTEE AWARDS INFORMATION FOR CHAPTER CHAIRS

The DAR Service for Veterans Committee sponsors three awards: (1) Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award; (2) Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award; and (3) Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans Award.

OUTSTANDING VETERANS VOLUNTEER AWARD is presented to a veteran in recognition of outstanding achievement in personal, professional, and family life. Applicant must prove significant contributions of leadership, patriotism, and increased public awareness of veterans. The sponsoring chapter must be in the state where the veteran lives.

OUTSTANDING YOUTH VOLUNTEER AWARD is presented to a youth volunteer who provides service for veterans and 14 years of age as of January 1 of the year of the award, and not older than 21 years as of January 1 of the year of the award. The award is given in recognition of outstanding or unusual care given to veterans. The candidate for the award serves as a role model for peers and consistently demonstrates the qualities of leadership.

OUTSTANDING DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS AWARD is presented to a DAR member in recognition of outstanding care given to veterans in any of the following areas, including, but not limited to: Department of Veterans Affairs facilities, state veterans facilities, nursing homes, shelters, and outpatient clinics. The outstanding NSDAR volunteer has given more than her time. She has made meaningful contributions to veterans through creative and resourceful outreach.

Please note: If a potential award recipient is identified in another state, please notify the state regent in that state rather than initiating the award yourself.

The award may not be awarded to a recipient more than one time and may not be **initiated** or **approved** posthumously. Awards that have been approved may be presented posthumously.

NOTE

The nominee must be an active member in good standing; endorsed in writing by her sponsoring chapter (signature must be by someone other than the nominee). If the candidate is a state chair, the contest must be processed by a member appointed by the state regent. National vice chairs are not eligible for this contest while serving as vice chair. DAR members are eligible to submit entries for two (2) consecutive years. At least one year must pass before another entry can be submitted.

NOMINATING PROCEDURES

1. Chapters may nominate **one** person for each contest. Applicant may enter only **one** contest. Nominations must be approved by vote of the members in a chapter meeting. The chapter must endorse the nominee in writing.
2. Nominee completes application and secures signatures. Current contest forms must be used. Supporting documents must relate to work performed and verify quality of the work to substantiate service to veterans and to the community. Points will be deducted for over-documentation not related to service activities. Letters of recommendation must be limited to direct observation or supervision of work. **DO NOT ATTACH PHOTOS OF NOMINEE**. Applications containing photos of nominee will be disqualified.
3. Keep copies of all material submitted and **make three (3) identical packets to send to your state chair**. No items will be returned. Failure to send documents in triplicate will result in disqualification.
4. **DEADLINE: All nominations must reach your state chair by no later than December 15, or earlier if required by your state**. For further information or questions regarding required documents, please contact your state chair.

Winners are required to be present at Continental Congress to accept the awards. States and chapters sponsoring the winners must advise them of this requirement. States and chapters are required to assist the winner with travel and lodging expenses. Contact the national chair for more information.