

Nominations sought for 2023 City of Norman Human Rights Award

October 4, 2023

Nominations due by 5 p.m. October 18, 2023

Nominations are currently sought for the City of Norman Human Rights Award, recognizing an individual or group in Norman for exceptional achievement, outstanding effort and/or leadership to promote human rights and equality, and service. The award is coordinated through the Norman Human Rights Commission and presented annually by the Norman City Council.

Criteria taken into consideration in award selection includes: Achievements (successes, results and impact); efforts including personal risks taken, time expended, sacrifices made, and years of service; and leadership. Leadership is defined as “inspiration or motivation given, cooperation fostered, organizations or programs created, example set and innovations undertaken.”

The deadline to submit nominations is 5 p.m. October 18, 2023. Nomination letters can be emailed to sarah.encinias@normanok.gov or mailed to the Norman Human Rights Commission at: City of Norman, ATTN: Human Rights Commission, P.O. Box 370, Norman OK., 73070. A nomination letter should include the name and telephone number of the nominee, as well as contact information for the nominating party. Interested parties can access applicable forms through links below.

Questions may be directed to Maylon Wesley, Chief Strategist of Culture & Social Responsibility, at 405.366.5446.

- [Access Human Rights Award Nomination Form](#)
- [View Human Rights Award Criteria](#)

City Attorney

The City of Norman Human Rights Award

The City of Norman Human Rights Award is presented to individuals or organizations in Norman who have shown outstanding effort, achievement and/or leadership in the promotion of human rights and equality, and serve as an example to all.

Please forward a nomination letter to:

Norman Human Rights Commission
City of Norman
P.O. Box 370
Norman, OK 73070

You may also email your nomination letter to sarah.encinias@normanok.gov. All nominations must be received by **5:00 p.m.** on **October 18, 2023**, to be considered. Please include your name and telephone number as well as that of the nominee. The person or organization selected by the Commission will be honored at the Norman City Council meeting on a date to be determined.

If you have questions about the City of Norman Human Rights Award, please contact Sarah Encinias at 405-217-7700 or sarah.encinias@normanok.gov.

The City of Norman Human Rights Award Eligibility Criteria

The selection of an individual or group recipient in Norman, Oklahoma, of the Human Rights Award is based on exceptional achievement, outstanding effort and/or leadership to promote human rights and equality, and serve as an example to all. Chapter 8 of the Code of the City of Norman states that it is the policy of the City of Norman that the protection of civil rights is a matter of local concern and that in order to ensure public safety, public health, and the general welfare of all citizens of this community, no individual shall be denied equal protection of the laws, nor shall an individual be denied the enjoyment of his or her civil rights or be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, place of birth, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, or marital status, including marriage to a person of the same sex. All citizens of this community shall have an equal opportunity to purchase, rent, lease, or occupy housing accommodations; to avail themselves of the full enjoyment of public accommodations; to have an equal opportunity in the job market and the social and economic life of the City; and to reach their full potential as human beings without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, place of birth, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, or marital status, including marriage to a person of the same sex.

Activities taken into consideration for the City of Norman Human Rights Award include:

Achievements – successes, results and impact to the Norman community.

Efforts – personal risks taken, time expended, sacrifices made and years of service.

Leadership – inspiration or motivation given, cooperation fostered, organizations or programs created, example set and innovations undertaken.

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2023 HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Email completed form to sarah.encinias@normanok.gov, or print and mail completed form to: Norman Human Rights Commission, City of Norman, PO Box 370, Norman, OK 73070. Nominations are due by October 18, 2023.

1. Person Being Nominated:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

2. List volunteer, services, organizations, professional affiliations (if any) and describe how this person has demonstrated outstanding effort, achievement and/or leadership in the promotion of human rights and equality (such as successes, results, impact, personal risks taken, time expended, sacrifices made, years of service, inspiration or motivation given, cooperation fostered, organizations or programs created, example set and innovations undertaken):

(Attach additional pages if needed.)

3. Person completing form:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____