



Nomination Guidance



What is 7 over Seventy?

This annual award presented by Senior Services honors and celebrates people over the age of 70 who have had, and who continue to have, a positive impact on our community.

- The award seeks to highlight the contributions of older adults in a variety of categories:
 - Trailblazing accomplishments
 - Making a difference in the lives of others
 - Inspirational leadership and impact
 - Acts of generosity
 - Innovative Contributions
 - Mentorship (professional and in the community)
- Diversity of impact, service, and contributions are celebrated. This award honors public and neighborhood heroes alike!
- Honorees are typically announced in June and celebrated at a luncheon in August each year.



Nomination and Selection Process



The nomination period runs from April 6 to May 8, 2026.



Nominations can be submitted **online** or through a paper application, which can be requested at **Senior Services, 2895 Shorefair Drive**.



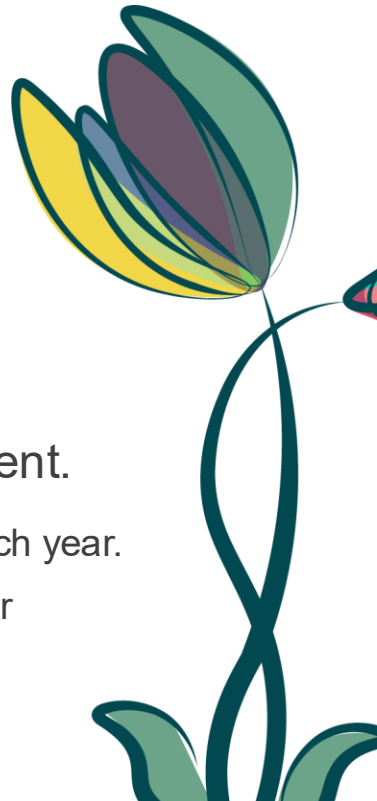
All nominations must be received by 11:59 PM on May 8 to be considered.



Nominations are reviewed by a selection committee made up of volunteers who represent a wide range of organizations, service sectors, and community involvement.

The Selection Committee uses the information you put in the nomination to make their award decisions each year.

To help us get to know your nominee, it is very important that you paint a clear and complete picture of their service, contributions, and impact.



General Criteria

- 1 Nominations must be submitted by non-family members. We encourage family members to share stories and details with a community nominator to strengthen and support an application.
- 2 Former honorees are not eligible for re-nomination.
A list of former honorees is available on the Senior Services website
- 3 Current employees of Senior Services are not eligible for the award.
Former employees become eligible one year following the end of their employment.

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Demographic and contact information

For the person you are nominating (nominee) and yourself (nominator)

Be sure to have the mailing address, email address, and phone number of yourself and your nominee, plus the age of your nominee.



Career and Community Impact and Activities

This helps paint a picture of their history and interests. We ask that you emphasize this individual's top three career accomplishments and volunteer accomplishments/activities.



Community Memberships

What other community organizations, committees, or service groups does this individual belong to or participate with—what did they accomplish through this work, how did they lead and move projects forward?

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Outstanding Accomplishments

Tell us about their big accomplishments, other honors, and awards.



Their Legacy of Impact

This is a space to share the continuity of their impact across life's stages.



Why does this person deserve to be a 7 over Seventy honoree?

This is your place to bring it all together for the committee. Tell us why you are nominating this individual and why you feel they should be a 7 over Seventy honoree.

A Few Tips and Pointers...

Submitting a complete and thorough nomination helps our Selection Committee get a full picture of the person you are nominating:

Add context and give detail:

- Expand and give specifics about why you feel the person deserves the award.
- Share the time commitment and highlight the longevity of your nominee's service.
- Include historical service all the way through present day contributions (if applicable).





A Few Tips and Pointers...

Emphasize their impact:

- Tell the story of their service and impact.
 - What problem or challenge did they tackle?
 - What were the results of their efforts?
 - Who or what was better off as a result of their assistance, and how were they better off?

Fill in the gaps:

- Start early and give yourself plenty of time to gather information.
- Don't just focus on one thing they did; try to paint a full picture of their contribution.
- Consider consulting other people who know the nominee well to round out your nomination.



Other things to keep in mind before submitting...

- Carefully respond to each question in the nomination form.
- If you are submitting anything in writing, be sure it is legible.
- Proofread—looking for typos and “flow” of information:
 - Is it easy for someone who doesn’t know your nominee to read your nomination and learn who they are?
 - Does it tell their story?
- The committee is not able to consider attachments or addendums to the nomination form.



Need more information? Want to see a list of past honorees?



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