

Advocates in Action Award

CRITERIA AND PROCESS FOR NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF ADVOCATES IN ACTION AWARDEE

TGLN is proud to support the exceptional advocates committed to raising awareness of organ and tissue donation across Ontario. The *Advocates in Action Award* is a community nominated distinction to formally recognize the time and effort of the volunteers who have made a significant contribution to organizing, promoting and driving donor registration initiatives in their communities.

Who Will Be Considered

- Nominees must live in Ontario.
- Nominees can be any age, as long as they are volunteering on behalf of organ and tissue donation awareness.
- Nominees must have been active during the last 3 years (2015 - 2017).
- Nominees must be volunteers for an advocate group, have started their own project(s) or are involved in grassroots action.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominators cannot be related to, or living with the person they are nominating.
- Nominations should illustrate the impact the nominee has had on awareness activities in their area and/or beyond. E.g. Big impact in a short period of time; quiet giants on the scene; have advocated for many years; have volunteered while overcoming personal challenges; etc.
- Maximum two nominations per advocate group.
- No payment should have been made for the nominee's volunteer contribution.
- Shortlisted nominations will require two co-nominator reference checks.
- Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.

How to Submit a Nomination

Please nominate someone using the online **TGLN Advocates in Action Award Nomination Form**.

This process is best approached with the following information ready, as there is no option to save the form part way through completion:

- Your contact information
 - Two references to verify the information you provide (phone # and email address)
 - The nominee's complete contact information (phone #, email and street address)
 - Any previous awards or recognitions received by the nominee
 - Answers to three questions focusing on how the nominee has contributed to organ and tissue donation awareness (max 200 words per answer).
1. **How has the nominee contributed to promoting and driving organ and tissue donor registration initiatives in their community?**
 2. **What difference or impact has their contribution made?**
 3. **What is unique or extraordinary about their advocate involvement?**

Selection Process

Answers to the above questions are shared with a panel of five judges consisting of community members and community engagement professionals not associated with the TGLN Advocate Program. All names and location information are removed and pronouns changed to allow for anonymity and gender neutrality. Judges are asked to rank each answer and winners are chosen based on highest total ratings.

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