



Montana Sheriffs & Peace Officers Association

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MSPOA Annual Distinguished Citizen Award Recognition Submission Deadline April 15, 2024

The Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association's "**Distinguished Citizen**" award will be presented annually to individuals, couples, families, or organizations whose actions of valor, heroism, volunteerism or outstanding service and dedication far exceeded normal civic responsibilities and have made a significant contribution to the community. Qualities considered are as follows:

- Citizen(s) who continually and selflessly volunteer their time and talents to the County and the citizens there in, to make Montana a safe place to live, work, and raise our families.
- Citizen(s) with integrity who foster a strong sense of law and order and believe in the protection of the constitution, Montana citizens and the American way of life.
- Citizen(s) who demonstrate highly courageous actions, involving great personal risk, which resulted in the rescue of a potential victim or victims.

In choosing the recipient, regard will be given to the nominee's achievements in the year immediately prior to receiving the award, as well as their past achievements and ongoing contributions to the community. The individual recognized should be a resident in the county in which he or she is nominated. A nominee need only be nominated once to be considered. The number of nominations received per nominee will bear no weight in their selection.

HOW TO NOMINATE

Any Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff, or civilian support employee may submit nominations for any resident of your county who you feel has given unselfishly to help others and meets the above criteria. Nominations must be typewritten or legibly printed and must be between 500 and 800 words. The nominator must fill out the Application on page 2, including a detailed account of the selfless acts of service the nominee has performed. Include all requested biographical information and attach any necessary supporting documentation.

Completed nomination forms shall be returned no later than April 15th 2023 to:

Send Nominations to:

Undersheriff Jeremy Kopp
Gallatin County Sheriff's Office
615 S. 16th Ave
Bozeman, MT 59715
jeremy.kopp@gallatin.mt.gov

AND

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