



Society of Certified Senior Advisors®

Service to Senior Awards 2009

The Society of Certified Senior Advisors feels it is important to recognize the outstanding achievements of our members who are helping improve the lives of seniors through volunteering by searching for nominees and awarding them with a *Service to Seniors* award. The *Service to Seniors* awards are presented every other year at the CSA Summit, which is being held this year via web and in Denver, Colorado. For more information on the Summit, click [here](#).

The service awards are presented for three categories:

- **CSA Trailblazer:** is a CSA who created a new program to help seniors and can show results for a minimum of three months.
- **CSA Community Citizen:** is a CSA who went above and beyond in giving time, effort and talent to a senior-related organization or senior-related community cause improving the quality of life for seniors.
- **CSA Samaritan:** is a CSA provided exemplary service in a one-to-one effort in meeting the needs of one or more seniors.

Each winner of a Service to Senior award will receive \$250 donation to a senior service organization of their choice; plus free registration, hotel, and airfare to the [CSA Summit 2009](#). Selection of the award recipients will be done by a panel of CSAs and representatives from senior-related organizations.

To nominate yourself or another CSA for this award in one or more of the above three categories, please complete the following form and submit with a letter of nomination to:

Service to Seniors Awards Program, Attention: Breann McNeil, Society of Certified Senior Advisors, 1325 S. Colorado Boulevard, Suite B300, Denver, CO 80222; or e-mail to: breannm@csa.us.

For more information, call 1-888-828-9254.

All nominations must be postmarked or emailed by **July 31, 2009**, in order to be considered.

CSAs are professionals in various fields who have supplemented their individual licenses, credentials and education with knowledge about aging and working with seniors. (The CSA designation alone does not imply expertise in financial, health or social matters.) Among other designation requirements, CSAs agree to adhere to the *CSA Code of Professional Responsibility*, which is enforced by the CSA Board of Standards. For additional information, go to www.csa.us

2009 Service to Seniors Awards: Nomination Form

Nomination Form

**This form must accompany each letter of recommendation submitted. All nominations must be postmarked or received by July 31, 2009, to be considered.*

Date _____

This nomination is being submitted by:

Name _____

Organization (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Requirements & rules for nomination of a CSA for a *Service to Seniors* award:

1. The person who is nominated must be a CSA.
 2. As a CSA, you may nominate yourself; or any other person or organization may nominate a CSA.
 3. A CSA may be nominated in more than one award category. A separate nomination form must be completed for each category.
 4. Volunteer activities must be performed in connection with or for a senior-related organization or community cause.
 5. A completed entry form and a nomination letter describing the volunteer service must be submitted together. *(Use the questions on Page 4 of this entry form to help you write your letter of nomination.)*
 6. In addition to the entry form and letter you may include testimonial letters from seniors, the volunteer organization and others, as well as other materials such as photographs that help describe the accomplishment.
 7. Provide the contact information of one or more persons who can give more details to the selection panel, if needed.
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Name of CSA Nominee: _____

Organization (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Category for Nomination (check one):

- CSA Trailblazer
- CSA Community Citizen
- CSA Samaritan

Additional Contact Information:

Provide the contact information for one or two persons who can provide more details about the volunteering activity to the Selection Panel (*if they determined necessary*):

Name #1: _____

Organization (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Name #2: _____

Organization (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

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Questions to Help You Write a Nomination Letter

- What is the name of the volunteer program or activity?
- Approximately how long has the volunteer program or activity been going on?
- What was the volunteering need?
- Describe what was done to fill the volunteering need.
 - How did the person being nominated for the award make it happen? Include descriptions of how the person being nominated displayed qualities such as initiative, resourcefulness, dependability, or the ability to develop relationships; the amount of time that was invested; and other things that stood out as special and extraordinary.
- What were the results of this volunteer service?
- How are the seniors' lives different as a result of the volunteer service? This can include the effects on seniors' caregivers and immediate family members.

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