









Nominate your champion today!

In the spirit of environmental stewardship and promoting healthy, active lifestyles, the County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation is proud to host a special signature event: The Parks and Recreation Champion Awards. Recipients of Parks and Recreation Champion Awards are people who have made a difference in local parks, preserves and community programs, throughout the County of San Diego.

This is your opportunity to thank the Parks and Recreation volunteers who make a real difference through hard work, advocacy, motivation and education.

Nomination Period: **Friday, Sept. 10 to Sunday, Oct. 3.** To apply, complete the form on the next page.

Candidates for Parks Champion Awards may be individuals, community leaders or representatives who meet the following criteria:

-  **Live and work in San Diego County (efforts submitted cannot be a part of one's job)**
-  **Have a proven track record of outstanding volunteer service and success**
-  **Work hard to bring an idea of a program to reality that can improve the quality of life for a particular group or the full community**
-  **Be an advocate for local parks, regional preserves, recreational programming and/or outdoor education**
-  **Be a leader who motivates people and inspires others to act, who can serve as a spokesperson for initiatives that support parks, preserves, recreation and education**
-  **Rally behind programs that promote sustainability and conservation**

Finalists will be announced this November at an awards banquet. The winner will receive two nights of free camping at a cabin, tent or RV site at one of 10 San Diego County campgrounds.

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Your Information

(If you are nominating yourself, please write "Self-nomination" in the Name field, and fill out your information under Nominee Details below.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to Nominee: _____

Nominee Details

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Length of Service: _____ Area of Service: _____

Is the nominee a resident of San Diego County? Yes No

Is the nominee employed at a Parks and Recreation Department? Yes No

Nominee's Job Title and Place of Employment (if applicable): _____

Please attach answers to the below questions.

Describe how the nominee demonstrates outstanding leadership in the community. (max. 500 words)

Share a success story or an example of the nominee's ability to create positive change. (max. 150 words)

How has the nominee's experience served as an asset to the field of parks and recreation? (max. 150 words)

Please include one headshot and at least one picture of the nominee in a volunteer role. You may also include the nominee's resume, letters of gratitude for service provided, and links to additional resources.

Submit nomination materials no later than 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Oct.3 to:

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