



2010 PARAGON AWARD

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Deadline: **March 31, 2010**

The Paragon Award is given annually by Leadership Oklahoma City, Inc. to honor outstanding volunteer work by one of its graduates on behalf of a local nonprofit or school. A single Paragon Award recipient will be chosen from the nominees, and the nominating agency of the recipient will receive a \$3500 cash award in honor of the recipient at Leadership Oklahoma City's May Awards Luncheon.

Criteria:

1. Exceptional community leadership by a member of the Leadership Oklahoma City Alumni Association will be honored. Current class members are not eligible.
2. Leadership to be recognized will be based on the impact of an individual on a 501(c)(3) agency or a public school that affects the community bounded by Oklahoma, Cleveland, Logan, and Canadian Counties.
3. An individual will only be eligible to win an award for volunteer service to an organization to which he/she has no substantial business connection.

NOMINEE'S INFORMATION

Name of Nominee:

Within what time frame has nominee worked with your group?

NOMINATING ORGANIZATION

Organization:

Name and Position of Contact Person:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

PURPOSE STATEMENT OF NOMINATING ORGANIZATION

Please describe your organization's mission or purpose.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Please use a single separate sheet to give information about the nominee's work for your organization and its impact on the community. A copy of the *Criteria for Judging* is attached; you may wish to refer to it to prepare your statement. This form or a facsimile and your one-page nomination statement must be returned to the Leadership Oklahoma City office by March 31, 2010.

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Criteria for Judging

The Paragon Awards have been presented annually since 1985 by Leadership Oklahoma City to recognize outstanding community service to a (501)(c)(3) non-profit organization or a public school by a member of the Leadership Oklahoma City Alumni Association.

The nominating organization of the recipient will receive an unrestricted donation of \$3,500 the name of the Paragon Award recipient nominated by the organization. Paragon Award nominees, recipients, and nominating organizations are recognized at the Leadership Oklahoma City Paragon Award Luncheon in May of each year.

Paragon Award recipients are selected by an anonymous panel of judges, all of whom are themselves civic leaders.

Your nomination should address these markers of distinguished volunteer service:

Superior Performance

How has this volunteer contributed to your organization's ability to advance its mission?

Distinctive Impact

How has this volunteer risen above what you commonly expect from your volunteers?

Lasting Endurance

How has this volunteer played a part in the long-term success of your organization?

While it is important that the nomination explain as much as is necessary about your organization in order to clarify the nominee's service, the nomination should not be mostly about the organization instead of the nominee.