

**Invitation to Nominate**  
**2010 SOCIAL WORKER AND COMMUNITY PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARDS**  
**National Association of Social Workers - Indiana Chapter**  
**Criteria for Annual Awards 2010**

Each year the National Association of Social Workers observes Social Work Month (March) as a time to pay tribute to our colleagues and/or other citizens who are making an outstanding contribution to social work practice or programs. The Indiana Chapter of NASW is dedicated to promoting the highest ideals of the social work profession. The chapter joins in the observance of Social Work Month and, as a part of this prestigious celebration, we invite you to submit your nominations for **Social Worker of the Year** and **Community Partner of the Year**.

The Chapter's regional and state recipients will be selected from among the nominations submitted by members from each of the 10 local geographical regions that are sent to the Chapter Office. The Regional award winners will be submitted for consideration for the State Social Worker and Community Partner of the Year awards to the award selection committee. In addition, each of the Regional awardees will be submitted for consideration for the National Social Worker and Public Citizen (Community Partner) of the Year awards.

The State award winners will be recognized at the Chapter's Annual Professional Education Conference in October 2010 in Indianapolis.

**Deadline for 2010 Nominations is January 15, 2010** (no exceptions)

*We do accept nominations throughout the year.*

**Social Worker of the Year:**

The Chapter will select one of its members for this prestigious award. Qualifications for the award include an individual who is a member in good standing; demonstrates leadership qualities; effectively integrates experience with education, personally and professionally, in an effort to help people; shows a willingness to take risks for improved social services, social issues and programs through advocacy for clients and/or the social work profession; is able to enlist public support for improved human services; has the capacity to contribute to the public's knowledge of social work in a particular area of expertise; and represents the professional ethics of social work as defined in the *NASW Code of Ethics*.

**Community Partner of the Year:**

The Chapter also wishes to recognize an outstanding individual who, though not a social worker, exemplifies the social work profession with outstanding service to individuals served by social workers. The nominee's (non-NASW member) qualifications should demonstrate leadership qualities in the field of human services; show evidence of personal and professional integrity in advocating for people; willingness to take risks and enlists public support for improved social services; have the capacity to increase public knowledge in a particular area of expertise; reflect the highest ethical standards in his/her field of endeavor as defined in the *NASW Code of Ethics*.

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(Check One)       Social Worker of the Year       Community Partner of the Year

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide all of the following information on a separate sheet: *Using the criteria above, in 500 words more or less, describe the nominee's achievements. Submit resume of nominee. Provide supporting documents demonstrating the nominee's outstanding qualities such as newspaper articles and/or support letters. The NASW - Indiana Chapter is committed to diversity.***

**Return this form and all related materials postmarked by January 15, 2010 to:** NASW – Indiana Chapter, 1100 West 42<sup>nd</sup> Street,

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