



COMMUNITY ACTION 2011: WORKING FOR OPPORTUNITY AND ECONOMIC SECURITY IN AMERICA
MAY 2011 NATIONAL COMMUNITY ACTION MONTH TOOLKIT

2011 Sargent Shriver Achievement Award NOMINATION

**Nominate Your Local heroes
DEADLINE JUNE 24th!**

The nominating agency of the award winner will receive \$500 from the Partnership!

The **Sargent Shriver Achievement Award** was established by the Community Action Partnership in 1995 to recognize and honor achievements by individuals who, with the assistance of a Community Action Agency, have changed their lives and achieved independence. The Award is named for Sargent Shriver, the first director of the Office of Economic Opportunity. The Sargent Shriver Achievement Award represents what Community Action is all about: Helping people and changing lives. Community Action Agencies have been honoring "achievers" by opening doors and leading the way from poverty to independence. Every CAA has success stories of program participants. With this award, the Community Action Partnership seeks to honor those individuals who have turned hope into reality.

Eligibility Criteria

The individual nominated must have:

- Changed his or her life and achieved economic self-sufficiency with the assistance of a Community Action Agency; and
- Contributed to improving his or her community through advocacy, volunteerism, public service, or some other vehicle.

Nomination Procedure

Community Action Partnership members may nominate a candidate by submitting the following:

- Official nomination form
- A narrative of no more than two pages demonstrating the nominee's eligibility for this award
- Supporting material (e.g., press clippings, articles, letters, or photos)

Please adhere to the nomination guidelines to ensure the candidate's eligibility. The nomination packet must include the official nomination form, narrative, and letter of support.

We strongly encourage you to resubmit the names of individuals who have been nominated for this award in previous years. ***If your state or agency recognizes special volunteers during National Community Action Month, or at any time during the year, please submit their names as nominees for the Sargent Shriver Achievement Award.***

If your nominee is selected, the Community Action Partnership will request that you provide a three-minute videotape featuring your award nominee. We will share this video of the award recipient during the Awards Gala at the 2011 Community Action Partnership Annual Convention in San Francisco, California.

Selection

The executive director of the Community Action Agency for which the award recipient serves will be notified at least one month before the 2011 Annual Convention. The award is presented during the Awards Gala on Thursday, August 25. The Partnership provides a complimentary hotel room and convention registration for the award recipient.

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2011 Sargent Shriver ***Achievement Award* NOMINATION FORM**

*Nomination Form, narrative, and the letter(s) of support must be typed
and postmarked on or before Friday, June 24, 2011.*

Name of Nominee: _____

Nominated by: _____

Title of Nominator: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Send nominations to:

Avril Weisman, Vice President

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