



Greetings,

Each year KidSafe Collaborative has the privilege of honoring a number of outstanding individuals and groups in our community who have made a significant contribution to improving the safety and welfare of children in Chittenden County.

We depend on people like YOU to let us know who these amazing people are! Do you know someone who is truly "above and beyond" in their work to prevent and/or address child maltreatment, or perhaps a cross-disciplinary group of people working together to improve child health, safety and well-being? Pay tribute to them by bringing their outstanding work to our attention. **Nominate someone for an award!**

**Nominations** are due by **December 17, 2018**. The Award categories and criteria are attached, along with nomination and reference forms (in PDF and Word versions - use whichever you prefer). If you have trouble opening or filling them, please contact [kidsafe@kidsafevt.org](mailto:kidsafe@kidsafevt.org).

NOTE: You will need to submit the *nomination form* AND *two additional references*: so don't wait 'til the last minute! 😊

Awardees will be recognized at the **KidSafe Awards Luncheon on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019** at the Doubletree by Hilton (formerly the Sheraton). **Save the date now** (tickets go on sale in December)!

The "collaborative" part of KidSafe is essential to what we do, and award nominations are no exception - YOU are part of the community that works together to keep children safe and well cared for, and so we count on *you* to help us recognize those people who are out there making a significant difference in the lives of kids.

If you're not familiar with the KidSafe Awards, you can check out some photos on our KidSafe Facebook page.

Thanks for taking the time to help make the KidSafe Awards so special!

- *Sally*

***P.S. Please help us get the word out about the call for award nominations by forwarding this to others who may be interested!***

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KidSafe Collaborative: working *together* to end child abuse

# **Nominate Someone**

## **for a 2019 KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Award!**

Each year KidSafe Collaborative presents **awards for outstanding service and advocacy** to individuals or groups who have excelled by improving the **safety and well-being of children, youth and families in our community**. *We rely on people like **you** to nominate those who are deserving of recognition for their exemplary work!*

### **General Criteria for KidSafe Collaborative Nominations**

To be eligible for an award, the person or persons nominated should be working or volunteering in an organization where their contribution actively promotes the mission of KidSafe Collaborative:

***working together to improve our community's prevention of and response to child abuse and neglect.***

Award nominees should demonstrate outstanding achievement in each of these areas:

- **Activities/Achievements:** Nominee's exemplary professional work or volunteer service and outstanding accomplishments have significantly helped to make a difference in improving the safety, health and well-being of children in our community.
- **Leadership/Initiative:** Nominee has shown outstanding leadership and initiative in developing or enhancing programs and services, or has implemented new promising approaches to improve the safety, health and well-being of children and families.
- **Collaboration:** Nominee has constructively engaged with community partners and has worked collaboratively with others *across agencies and disciplines* to improve children's safety and well-being.
- **Making a Difference/Inspiration:** Nominee's outstanding work or volunteer service has made a significant and lasting impact on improving the safety and well-being of children. The nominee inspires others in the field through their work and/or volunteerism.

### **Award Categories**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Outstanding Volunteer Award:</b><br/>An individual who volunteers his/her service, and through their volunteer work has improved the safety and well-being of children/youth in our community.</li><li>▪ <b>Outstanding Professional Award:</b><br/>An individual with <i>over ten years</i> of professional experience demonstrating outstanding service toward improving the safety and well-being of children/youth in our community.</li><li>▪ <b>Lifetime Achievement Award:</b><br/>An individual who has dedicated <i>20 or more years</i> of outstanding service and has made a significant impact on the safety and well-being of children and youth in our community.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Promising Professional Award:</b><br/>An individual with <i>fewer than ten years</i> in the field of children's services or related field, who has excelled in improving the safety and well-being of children/ youth, and who demonstrates promise in their future work.</li><li>▪ <b>Gregory Packan Children's Advocacy Award:</b><br/>An individual who has advocated strongly and diligently on behalf of child/youth victims of abuse and neglect.</li><li>▪ <b>Outstanding Collaboration Award:</b><br/>A <b>multi-disciplinary</b> group or team working together <i>across agencies and disciplines</i> to benefit children and families - <i>working together</i> to improve child/youth safety and well- being.</li></ul> |
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KidSafe Collaborative's work is focused primarily in *Chittenden County Vermont*. Nominees who serve in a state-wide capacity may be considered as long as a significant portion of their work/volunteerism takes place in and is dedicated to this community. *KidSafe Collaborative may elect to not present awards in all categories each year.*

***Nomination and reference forms attached. Submit by December 17, 2018 to [kidsafe@kidsafevt.org](mailto:kidsafe@kidsafevt.org)***

The awardees will be recognized at our **Annual Awards Luncheon** on **Thursday, April 4, 2019** at the **Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center**, South Burlington. Save the date!

## KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Award Nomination Form - 2019

Award Nominee:		Nomination submitted by:	
Name:		Name:	
Organization:		Organization:	
Position/Title:		Position/Title:	
E-mail:		E-mail:	
Preferred Address:		Address:	
Home town:			
Phone (day/eve):		Phone (day/eve):	

\* If collaboration, list primary contact: person:

*KidSafe Use Only*  
Date rec'd:

**Please check (x) the category for which you are submitting the nominee(s): Check all that apply.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Volunteer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Achievement<br><input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Professional | <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Promising Professional<br><input type="checkbox"/> Greg Packan Outstanding Children's Advocacy<br><input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Collaboration (Multi-Disciplinary) |
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*KidSafe reserves the right to present awards in the category we determine as the best fit for the nominee.*

**Please COMPLETE THIS NOMINATION FORM AND TWO ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**

- Be sure to address the CRITERIA listed on the attached page. Provide complete information.
- Assume the Awards Selection Committee knows nothing about the nominee, or their professional or volunteer work.
- Use a **story or examples** to illustrate how and why your nominee deserves to be recognized.
- Please type** or write very clearly and neatly; you may attach additional pages as needed.

1. Please describe the nominee's **activities and achievements**, volunteer or professional, related to this award. Describe how this person actively promotes the KidSafe mission to **improve the safety and well-being of children** in Chittenden County. Please include how you know the applicant and his/her work.

2. How many years has this nominee been working with children and families?

Over 20   
  Over 10, less than 20   
  Less than 10   
 Additional comments:

3. Please describe how the nominee has demonstrated **leadership and initiative** in improving or delivering services for children and families, in using new approaches to solve problems, or in successfully advocating on behalf of children. How does this person or team **inspire** others through their work or volunteerism?

4. How does this nominee work constructively in **collaboration** with others, especially across agencies and disciplines, to promote the safety and well-being of children? What impact has working collaboratively had on promoting child health, safety and well-being?

5. Describe how this person's outstanding work and/or advocacy has had a significant **systems impact** (e.g. child welfare system, legal system, educational system, etc.) which has contributed to improving the safety and well-being of children in Chittenden County.

6. Is there anything else that you can tell us that would be helpful to the committee in making their decision? Is there anything else you think we should be aware of regarding this nominee?

7. Are you aware of any reason it might not be in KidSafe Collaborative's best interest to present this award to this individual or group? Is there any reason that KidSafe's Board of Directors or staff would potentially have *any* concerns about presenting this award?  
(For example: does this individual has any history of involvement with child welfare (DCF) or law enforcement? This would not necessarily preclude them for receiving an award, however we would want to carefully consider the situation.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

Please explain, so the Awards Selection Committee can assess this. This information will remain confidential.

8. If this nominee is selected for a KidSafe Award, is there any reason they might not be able to accept it?

 Yes No

Comment:

9. Is this person/group aware of this nomination?

 Yes No

10. If your nominee is *not* selected for an award, would you like us to let them know they were nominated?

 Yes No

11. Would you like your nomination of this person/group to remain anonymous?

 Yes No

**References:** In addition to your nomination, please provide at least **two references** for this nominee from people who are familiar with the outstanding work/volunteerism for which they are being nominated. Use the **attached form**, or include letters of reference.

You may also attach other relevant information about the nominee if you wish (resume, articles, etc.)

Please E-mail completed nominations to: [kidsafe@kidsafevt.org](mailto:kidsafe@kidsafevt.org)

Or you may mail hard copy to:

KidSafe Collaborative

Attn: Awards Selection

45 Kilburn Street, Burlington VT 05401

**Any questions? Call: 863-9626**

**DEADLINE: Postmarked or e-mailed by December 17, 2018**

*KidSafe Staff and Board members are not eligible for awards.*

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## KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Award Nomination Reference Form

**TO BE COMPLETED IN ADDITION TO AWARD NOMINATION**

**By someone other than the nominator**

**Nominee Name:**

**Your Name:**

**Your Organization and Role:**

**Your E-mail:**

**Your Phone:**

**Your Address:**

Please address the following:

1. How do you know the nominee and his/her work? How long have you known/worked with them?
2. How has this person or group actively promoted the KidSafe mission: **working together to improve the safety and well-being of children in Chittenden County?** If you know, how long have they been doing this work/volunteering?
3. Why is this person or group deserving of this award? What about their work/volunteerism is outstanding, exceptional, and deserving of recognition?

*You may attach additional pages*

4. Is there any reason that it might *not* be in KidSafe Collaborative's best interest to present this award? From your knowledge, is there any reason KidSafe would potentially have *any* concerns about presenting this award? (For example: does this individual has any history of involvement with child welfare (DCF) or law enforcement? This would not necessarily preclude them for receiving an award, however we would want to carefully consider the situation.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<i>Please explain, so the Awards Selection Committee can assess the concern:</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	No		

5. Is it okay if we share this reference with the nominee, whether or not they are selected?

<input type="checkbox"/>	okay to share this reference with the nominee	<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer to keep this reference confidential
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Please submit reference with nomination form or send to: [kidsafe@kidsafevt.org](mailto:kidsafe@kidsafevt.org) **Deadline for references: 12/17/2018**

Or mail to: KidSafe Collaborative / Attn: Awards Selection / 45 Kilburn Street, Burlington, VT 05401

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## KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Awards 1989 - 2018

<p><b>Lifetime Achievement Award</b></p> <p>Marge Wood, 1989 Janet Munt, 1990 Cindy Fagan, 1991 Paula Duncan, 1992 Jean Bailey, 1993 Bernie Giese, 1994 Ann Clark, 1995 Linda Ready, 1996 Paula Duncan, 1997 Theresa Tomasi, 1998 Dr. Caroline V. Brown, 1999 Betty Allen, 2000 Jane Jackson, 2001 Sr. Pat McKittrick, 2002 and Will Rowe, 2002 Lisa Simon, 2004 Lynn Granger, 2005 Nell Ishee, 2006 Maureen Danielczyk, 2007 Nancy Menard, 2008 Sarah Sinnott, 2009 Alice Siegriest, 2010 Betty Lamphere, 2011 Liz Mitchell, 2012 Mike Gray, 2013 Joan Carson, 2014 Cpl. Jeffrey Fontaine, 2015 Toki Eley, 2016 Don Wright, 2017 Betsy Cain, 2018</p>	<p><b>Outstanding Professional Award</b></p> <p>Meg Foster, 1989 Michael Gray, 1990 Rosella Duarte, 1991 Vicki Hornus, 1992 Suzanne Schmidt, 1993 Jessica Rodd, 1994 Judith C. Wade, 1995 Gregory Packan, Esq. 1996 Hon. Amy Davenport, 1997 Bob Aldrich, 1998 Dr. Joseph Hagan, 1999 Deb Moore, 2000 Joanne Heidkamp, 2001 Howard Kalfus, 2002 Kathleen Hill, 2004 Mary Woodruff, 2005 Vicki Smith, 2006 John Salter, 2007 Kimberly-Ann Coe, 2008 Karen Shea, 2009 Matt MacNeil, 2010 Ron Jackson, 2011 John Finlay, 2012 Julie Kolinich, Andy Strauss, 2013 Annie Ramniceanu, 2014 Steve McLaughlin, 2015 Kristy Trask, 2016 Holly Morehouse, 2017 Mike Ohler, 2018</p>	<p><b>Outstanding Volunteer Award</b></p> <p>Jean Ankeney, 1989 Joan Hoff, 1990 John McAteer, 1991 Jody Wuench, 1992 John Bisbee, 1993 Rosalie La Rose, 1994 Robbin LaRue, 1995 Marie Luhr, 1996 Michael Mitiguy, 1997 Arnold &amp; Ginny Golodetz, 1998 Daniel J. Feeney, 1999 Rick Davis, 2000 Stacy Bodette, 2001 Barbara Stewart, 2002 George &amp; Kathy Caban, 2004 Joan &amp; Jack McCooley, 2005 Dr. Molly Rideout, 2006 Victoria Kuck, 2007 John Halligan, 2008 Dot Foster, 2009 Jeanne Kennedy, 2010 Susie Merrick, 2011 Barbara Boyd, 2012 Sarah Lowell, 2013 Annika Freudenberger, 2014 Diversity Rocks! Youth Group, 2015 Garth Allen, 2016 Ridmi Coe, 2017 Charlene Fu, 2018</p>	<p><b>Gregory Packan Esq. Children's Advocacy Award</b></p> <p>Kathy Olwell, 1998 Vicki Hornus, 1999 Dr. George Brown, 2000 Deb Lyons, 2001 Barbara Boyd, 2002 Ikey Spear, 2004 Bruce Wilson, 2005 Peigi Huseby, 2006 Mark Redmond, 2007 Ann Pugh, 2008 Connie Curtin, 2009 Howard Stalnaker, 2010 Dori Jones, 2011 Lauren Bowerman, 2012 Kids-A-Part, 2013 Susan Hardin, 2014 Melissa McConnell, 2015 Robin Hood, 2016 Tracey Wagner, 2017</p>	<p><b>Outstanding New/Promising Professional Award</b></p> <p>Robyn Wainner, 2005 Lluvia Mulvaney-Stanak, 2007 Brian Plisko, 2008 Amy Malinowski, 2009 Katie Amadon, 2010 LeVar Barrino, 2011 Robin Pesci, 2012 Brian Cuseo, 2013 Elsa Tietje, 2014 Ashley Sargent, 2015 Danni Pratt, 2016 Kelsey Francis-Fath, 2017 Dr. Anna Zuckerman, 2018</p>
<p><b>Special Awards</b></p> <p>Marge Wood, Inspiration Award, 2004 Steve Dale, "Over the Top" Award, 2005 Judge Dean Pineles, Shining Star Award, 2006 Roxane Leopold, Shining Star Award 2007 Gretchen Morse, 2011 Brenda Trackim, Posthumous Recognition 2015 Linda Johnson, Inspiration Award, 2016 Sophia Donforth, Janet S. Munt Prevention Award, 2018</p>			<p><b>Outstanding Collaboration Award</b></p> <p>Women and Children at Risk Team (now CHARM), 2005 University Pediatrics (UVM Children's Hospital), 2006 Chittenden County Mentoring Network, 2007 Chittenden Unit for Special Investigations, 2008 Chittenden County Truancy Prevention Project, 2009 Regional Partnership Grant Project, 2010 Dr. Karyn Patno / ChildSafe Clinic, 2011 Project Family (LUND and VT DCF), 2012 Janet S. Munt VNA Family Room, 2014 Vermont Child Health Improvement Program, 2015 Community College of VT and Lund New Horizons, 2016 Chittenden County Children's Integrated Services Intake Team, 2017</p>	

\* Awards may not be presented in every category each year

\*\* Prior to 2004, awards are presented for the previous years' service, e.g. awards noting 2001 were presented in 2002. Starting in 2004, awards are presented as the current year (therefore there are no awards listed for 2003)