8th Annual Youth Leadership Award

The Governor's Council on Disability will honor a youth with a disability that is demonstrating outstanding leadership, advocacy, and dedication to and for the disability community at large in Missouri.

Eligibility requirements for this award:

- Meet the age requirement: 16-26 years old
- Must be a Missouri resident
- Must have a disability
- An individual currently engaged in volunteer services that improve the quality of life of people with disabilities in Missouri.

Criteria for this award may include one or more of the following:

- Academic Achievement based on academic excellence, and aptitude.
- Extra Curricular Activities based on demonstrated participation, leadership, and time commitment to the activity.
- **Community Service Activities** based on demonstrated participation, leadership, and time commitment to the activity.
- Work or Vocational Experiences based on experiences, responsibilities assumed, and initiative demonstrated in a work activity.

Requirements for submission:

Please limit your narrative to 750 words. Letters of support, recognitions, or other materials that demonstrate the exceptional nature of the candidate can be attached to the narrative. All submissions must include the **nomination form** that clearly states:

- The Nominee's Full Name
- Address
- Telephone Number
- Email address
- Date of Birth (for proof of age requirement)
- Educational Facility/School or Place of Work
- Name of Nominator
- Nominator contact information (Agency/Address/Phone Number/Email)

Please submit typed nomination sheet, typed essay, and letters of support or recognitions to the Governor's Council on Disability (GCD). If additional information is needed, GCD will contact you directly. References will be contacted, so please provide us with telephone and e-mail information for them. You may submit nominations via e-mail, mail, fax or on the Governor's Council on Disability's website (http://disability.mo.gov/gcd, click on Youth Leadership Award).

Deadline for submitting nominations is January 31, 2021.

Please submit your completed nomination using one of the following methods:

1. Mail

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITY PO Box 1668 Jefferson City, MO 65102-1668

2. E-mail

E-mail: gcd@oa.mo.gov

3. Internet

Website: http://disability.mo.gov/gcd, click on Youth Leadership Award

4. Fax

Fax number: (573) 526-4109

For questions or additional information, please contact the Governor's Council on Disability at (573) 751-2600 or toll-free (800) 877-8249.

All questions on the nomination form must be completed.

<u>Please use one of the nomination forms (Word or PDF) to submit your nomination.</u>

It is recommended that you save a copy of the nomination for your records.

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