



2024 LCP Awards Ceremony

The Lake County P.E.A.R.L.S. (LCP) Award Ceremony recognizes outstanding residents in Lake County, Illinois who demonstrate consistent and exceptional service to the community. LCP celebrates individuals who have made tremendous strides in the uplift of Lake County's underserved communities with an emphasis on service to the community, enhanced growth, academics, and healthcare.

The Lake County P.E.A.R.L.S., Incorporated (Partnering to Empower, Advance and Restore through Leadership and Service) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to make a positive impact by offering enrichment programs and services to improve literacy, economic empowerment, health and well-being of citizens of Lake County, IL.

Community Service Award

The Community Service Award recognizes individuals for their outstanding contributions and efforts in serving the Lake County community, with specific emphasis on the underrepresented populations. This award acknowledges and celebrates the positive impact that individuals have made in enhancing the well-being of others, addressing community needs, and/or promoting social change.

Candidate Criteria:

- Demonstrated commitment and dedication to serving underrepresented communities in areas such as education, health, economics, technology, and social change
- Made a significant, measurable impact on the lives of individuals within underrepresented communities
- Collaborated with community organizations to address issues and create positive change
- Displayed leadership, compassion, and empathy in their service efforts

Candidate Eligibility:

- Must be a resident of Lake County, IL
- Must be actively involved in community service efforts that specifically benefit underrepresented communities
- Must have a minimum of 100 hours of documented community service within the past year
- Must be nominated by, or provide proof of support from, a community organization or leader who can attest to the candidate's service contributions
- Must be willing to participate in award ceremonies, events, and media engagements related to the award

Candidate Submission Materials:

Candidates must submit 500 words or less with detailed examples and evidence of their strong community involvement that must include the following:

1. List and define the community service projects currently leading or participating in

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2. Provide the number of community service hours performed and explain how the hours were obtained, name the organization(s) served, and when
3. All community service projects must have been completed between Jan. 1, 2023 – Mar. 31, 2024
4. List relevant memberships and affiliations
5. Please list college or trade school and credentials earned
6. Explanation of why the candidate deserves the award

Selection Committee

The winner of the Community Service Award will be selected by an independent body comprised of residents of the Lake County community with knowledge of the community's needs.

Submission Deadline

April 19, 2024, at 11:59 PM CST. The materials must be submitted through the Awards Portal [here](#), or cut and paste this link into your browser: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LCP-ComServ>

