2025 YWCA WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE NOMINATION FORM

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Nomination Package

Based on the criteria listed in the Guidelines for Nominations, please provide responses to the following questions, a maximum of **five (5) pages** (excluding letters of support and resume). Please do not bind or staple application materials.

NARRATIVE

- 1. Describe how your nominee exemplifies excellence in her life and her career.
- 2. How does nominee inspire others through her work, ideas, and example?
- 3. Has nominee impacted her field locally or in a broader perspective and how?
- 4. How does nominee demonstrate creativity and innovation?
- 5. Why do you believe nominee deserves to be recognized as a Women of Excellence?

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

This section is used to support our narrative on each candidate. Please provide as much detail as you have available.

- Full Name
- Family info (place of birth, etc.)
- Education
- Special accomplishments
- Hobbies or special interests

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- Letters of support (maximum 3).
- Attach a copy of the nominee's resume (optional).

Please do not bind or staple application materials.

Original form and supporting material are due by 5 p.m. on November 4th, 2024 to: Women of Excellence Selection Committee YWCA of Lubbock 6501 University Avenue Lubbock, TX 79413

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, OR NEED HELP WITH THE NOMINATION FORM, PLEASE CONTACT MANDI ALMAGER AT 806-776-9508, OR BY E-MAIL AT MANDI.ALMAGER@YWCALUBBOCK.ORG

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A YWCA of Lubbock Project

GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATIONS

- **ELIGIBILITY** Nominees must be women who have been residents of Lubbock or worked in Lubbock during the past year. A nominee may be resubmitted; however, previous recipients are not eligible.
- CRITERIA The nominee should be a woman who has achieved excellence in her career or profession in at least one category of achievement listed below. (Career or profession is interpreted to mean paid employment in her field.) Evaluations will be based on the **quality** of a candidate's achievements rather than the **quantity** of information submitted. Please attach only the information requested on the form. Do not send scrapbooks or large amounts of materials. Information will not be returned.
- JUDGES Selections will be made by the 2025 YWCA Women of Excellence Selection Committee, an anonymous and diverse group appointed from the community.
- DEADLINENomination forms must be submitted to the YWCA of Lubbock, 6501 University Ave., Lubbock, TX
79413, on or before 5 p.m. on November 4th, 2024. Contact (806) 776-9508 with questions.
- **EVENT** The awards event <u>Tuesday, March 27th, 2025</u>. Visit ywcalubbock.org for ticket information.

SAMPLE CATEGORIES OF ACHIEVEMENT

(Careers or professions are not limited to the examples listed below.)

- **ARTS AND CULTURE** Including, but not limited to, the creative arts (artists, sculptors, etc.), the performing arts (musicians, singers, actresses, dancers, etc.), and literary arts (authors, writers, poets, etc.).
- **EDUCATION AND** Including, but not limited to, higher educators and administrators, primary and secondary educators and administrators, and ministers, chaplains, and education directors from any religious background.
- **GOVERNMENT** Including, but not limited to, professionals in local, state, or federal government, politics,
- HUMAN SERVICES Government services, human services, and criminal justice.
- **SCIENCE AND** Including, but not limited to, research scientists, inventors, engineers, environmentalists, architects, and health professionals.
- **BUSINESS** Including, but not limited to, business owners, financiers, and entrepreneurs.
- **PROFESSIONAL** Including, but not limited to, attorneys, accountants, and bankers.
- **MILITARY AND** Including, but not limited to, military, police, fire, and paramedic workers.

FIRST RESPONDERS

NOTE: At the discretion of the Selection Committee, an award may be presented in a category of achievement other than those listed above, or an award may not be presented in every category.

WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE ACADEMY 1989 – 2024

2024 Women of	Excellence	2023 Womer	n of Excellence		
Janelle Barrington-Spivey	Arts & Culture	Emily Wilkinson	Arts & Culture		
Ruth Robillard	Business	Lisa Stane	Education		
Nancy Ruth Neal	Medicine	Olivia Boggs	Government		
Misty Lynn Rieber	Education	Traci Cheek	Human Services		
Shelia Patterson Harris	Government	Jessica Gray, MD	Medicine		
Pamela Roddy	Human Services	Murvat Musa	Professional		
Julie Doss	Professional	Megan Estrada	Social Justice		
Jeye Johnson	Youth Leadership				
Amanda Mead	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Gabriella Contreras	Youth Leadership		
	Jane Burns Award	Nanette Deso	Jane Burns Award		
Betsy Bass	Mary Nell Strong Award				
2022 Women of	Excellence	2021 Women of Excellence			
Sandra Harris	Arts & Culture	Elizabeth Regner Grigsby	Arts & Culture		
Beth Bridges	Business	Stephanie Massengale	Business		
Janice Magness	Education	Dr. Patricia Francis-Johnson	Education		
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Katherine Wells	Government	Katelynn Thompson	Human Services		
Dina Jeffries	Human Services	Dr. Amy Thompson	Medicine		
Elizabeth Sharp	Social Justice	Laura Monroe	Professional		
Ashby Whitaker					
	Youth Leadership	Glenda Grigson	Religion		
Lynn Sanderson Melinda Pharies	Jane Burns Award Mary Nell Strong Award	Grace Feist	Youth Leadership		
2020 Wome	n of Excellence	2019 Women of Excellence			
Wendy-Adele Humphrey	Education	Melissa Collier	Business		
Jaime Wheeler	Human Services	JoAnn Long, Ph.D.	Education		
Judge Kara Darnell	Government	Karen Thornton	Education		
Shirley McReynolds	Medicine	Annette Sobel. MD	Government		
Michelle McCord	Professional	Rebecca Geist	Medicine		
Paige Allen	Religion	Brandi Cantrell	Religion		
Sellie Shine	Social Justice	Lisaann Gittner, Ph.D.	Science		
Sophie Goforth	Youth Leadership	Melinda Garcia Schalow, MD	Social Justice		
Latrelle Bright Joy	Mary Nell Strong Award	Terri Duncan	Mary Nell Strong Award		
		Gabriella Ghandour	Youth Leadership		
	n of Excellence	2017 Wome	n of Excellence		
Jean Caslin	Arts & Culture				
Linda Ferguson	Business	Michelle Kraft	Arts & Culture		
Linda Donahue, Ph.D.	Education	Phebe Ellis-Roach	Business		
Rebecca (Becky) Garza	Government	Anna Jackson	Education		
Lindsay Penrose, Ph.D.	Medicine	Judge Ann-Marie Carruth	Government		
Carolyn F. Moore	Professional	Sharmila Dissanaike	Medicine		
Shanna Hargrave	Religion	Kim Flenniken	Professional		
Dr. Katharine Hayhoe	Science	Candace Bourland Hicks	Science		
Aliza S. Wong, Ph.D.	Social Justice	Evelyn Davies	Mary Nell Strong Award		
Kathy Gilbreath	Mary Nell Strong Award	Madeleine Lipetska	Youth Leadership		
Emilee Acevedo	Youth Leadership				
2016 Wome	n of Excellence	2015 Women of Excellence			
Janie Bush	Arts & Culture	Amy Faris	Arts & Culture		
	Business	Suzanna Blake	Business		
Monica Hightower	Education (Classroom Impact)				
5		Dr. Lisa S. Leach	Education Government		
Abigail Crawford	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Monica Hightower Abigail Crawford Berta Fogerson	Education (Administration)	Drue Farmer			
Abigail Crawford Berta Fogerson Karen Gibson	Education (Administration)	Lynda Loyce Dutton	Human Services		
Abigail Crawford Berta Fogerson Karen Gibson Ann Manning	Education (Administration) Government Professional	Lynda Loyce Dutton Dr. Mimi Zumwalt	Human Services Medicine		
Abigail Crawford Berta Fogerson Karen Gibson Ann Manning	Education (Administration) Government Professional Religion	Lynda Loyce Dutton	Human Services		
Abigail Crawford	Education (Administration) Government Professional	Lynda Loyce Dutton Dr. Mimi Zumwalt	Human Services Medicine		
Abigail Crawford Berta Fogerson Karen Gibson Ann Manning Emily Lemley	Education (Administration) Government Professional Religion	Lynda Loyce Dutton Dr. Mimi Zumwalt Michelle Pantoya PhD	Human Services Medicine Science		

of Excellence Business Education Human Services	2013 Women of Mary Jones Saathoff, Ph.D. Nita Kiesling	Arts & Culture Business		
Education				
	Nita Kiesling	Business		
Human Services				
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Medicine		Medicine		
Professional	Nancy Tucker Sharp	Professional		
Religion	Sindee L. Simon, Ph.D.	Science		
Science	Neoka Perez	Special Achievement		
	Kristen Michelle Alcorte	Youth Leadership		
Mary Nell Strong Award	Carolyn Taylor	Mary Nell Strong Award		
of Excellence	2011 Women of	Excellence		
Arts & Culture	Yvonne Racz Key	Arts & Culture		
Business		Business		
Education		Education & Religion		
Human Services	Beth Lawson	Government & Human Serv.		
Medicine		Professional		
Professional		Science & Medicine		
		Special Award		
		Youth Leadership		
Mary Nell Strong Award				
of Excellence	2009 Women of	Excellence		
Arts & Culture	Louise Hopkins Underwood	Arts & Culture		
Business	Margarita Olivárez	Business		
Education & Religion		Education & Religion		
		Government & Human Serv.		
Professional		Professional		
Science & Medicine		Science		
		Special Achievement		
	Jennifer McGrew	Youth Leadership		
of Excellence	2007 Women of Excellence			
Arts & Culture	Beth Pratt	Arts & Culture		
		Business		
		Education		
		Government		
		Human Services		
		Professional		
		Science & Medicine		
		Jane O. Burns, Ph.D.		
		YWCA Youth Leadership		
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		Education & Religion Government & Human Serv.		
		Professional		
		Science & Medicine		
		Special Achievement		
Youth Leadership		Youth Leadership		
of Excellence	2003 Women of Excellence			
Arts & Culture	Toni Arnett	Art		
Business		Education		
		Government & Human Serv.		
		Music		
		Professional		
		Religion		
		Science & Medicine		
Youth Leadership	Sharon Young Prather	Special Achievement		
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2002 Women o	f Excellence	2001 Women of Excellence			
Tina Fuentes Kay Davis Lady Falls Brown, Ph. D. Ione Heartsill Connie Wharton Donna Bacchi, M.D., M.P.H. Joe Love Stogner Nelson Alana K. Noble	Arts & Culture Business Education Government & Human Services Professional Science & Medicine Special Achievement Youth Leadership	Pat Maines Maxine Willingham Janie Landin Ramirez Judge Judy Parker Linda Suzan Lazarin Thomas Dr. Myrna L. Armstrong Mayor Windy Sitton Lauren Griffin	Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Government Human Services Science & Medicine Special Achievement Youth Leadership		
2000 Women o	f Excellence	1999 Women of Excellence			
Jean Bledsoe Knight JoAnn Leavey Shroyer, Ph.D. Carolyn R. McDougal Shari Dorris Flynn Jane Ann Tustin, R.N., M.S.N., C.S.N. Brenda J. Becknell Sunanda Mitra, Ph.D. Brooke Chavez	Business Education Entrepreneur Government & Human Services Medicine Professional Science Youth Leadership	Judy Wells Chisholm Jan Berry Morris Patsy Landrum Whipple Catherine A. Ronaghan, M.D., F.A.C.S. Elizabeth Valentine Abraham Beverly Chilton, Ph.D. Burnis Marie Henderson Meghan Paige Fleming	Business Education Government & Human Serv. Medicine Religion Science Special Achievement Youth Leadership		
1998 Women o	f Excellence	1997 Women of	Excellence		
Peggy Willis-Aarnio Diane Brown Earl Dorothy Phea-Norville Leigh Keeney McPhaul Annette Gary, R.N. Ph.D Francina Johanna Proctor Caryl E. Heintz, Ph.D. Reagan Elyse Davis	Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Government & Human Services Medicine Religion Science Youth Leadership	Ruth Jane Holmes, Ph.D. Phyllis Sullivan Jones Sherry Sancibrian Kathy Volanty, Ph.D. Irasema Velasquez Marisue Pounders Smith Jitra Subpamongkol Anuras, M.D. Christy Michele Badgwell	Arts & Culture Business Education Government & Human Serv. Professional Religion Science & Medicine Youth Leadership		
1996 Women o	f Excellence	1995 Women of Excellence			
Karin Crider McCay Nancy Jo Patton Jane O. Burns, Ph.D. Paula Davis Lanehart, Judge Patricia S. Yoder Wise, R.N., Ed.D Paulina M. Jacobo, J.D. Cassandra L. Henry Holli Nicole Douglass	Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Government & Human Services Medicine Professional Science Youth Leadership	*Billie Wolfe *Betty Baker Tammy D. Barnes Fedynick Louise T. Cummins Services Louise Willson Arnold Marian K. Solowy Myers, M.D. *Norma E. Porres, M.D. Shaili M. Khandheria	Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Government & Human Professional Science & Medicine Special Achievement Youth Leadership		
1994 Women o	f Excellence	1993 Women of Excellence			
Suzanne Aker Lou Dunn Diekemper Jane L. Winer, Ph.D. Gwendolyn Titus *Nelda Thompson Irene S. Wilson, R.N., M.Ed. Sheryl Swoopes Monica Baca	Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Government & Human Services Professional Science & Medicine Special Achievement Youth Leadership	Sylvia Ashby Mary Tom Riley O'Bar, Ed.D. *Rita P. Harmon *Barbara L. Sommerville Sandra Sabatini, Ph.D., M.D. Susan Singer Hendrick, Ph.D. *Louise C. Allen Katherine Anne Lucas	Arts & Culture Education & Religion Government Human Services Medicine Science Special Achievement Youth Leadership		
1992 Women o	f Excellence	1991 Women of Excellence			
*Elizabeth Skidmore Sasser, Ph.D. *Margaret Talkington *Sister Maureen Van der Zee, C.S.J. Carolyn Lanier *Marjorie C. Kastman Mary Grace Umlauf, R.N., Ph.D. Marsha Sharp Kirsten Storin Doty	Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Government & Human Services Professional Science & Medicine Special Achievement Youth Leadership	*Betty J. Savage Mills *Virginia M. Sowell, Ph.D. Rev. Jo Roberts Mann Sylvia A. Martinez-Flores Jane F. Goldthorn, M.D. Melanie Weed Barnes Helen Wagner Willey Michelle Leslie Erickson	Arts & Culture Education Religion Government Medicine Science Special Achievement Youth Leadership		

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1990 Women of Excellence

Glenna Maxey Goodacre *Palma Lancaster Smiley Ethel M. McLeod Shirley Anne Naile McManigal, Ph.D. Yondell Masten, R.N.C., Ph.D. Eileen McAllister Johnson, Ph.D. Alicia Boswell

Art—Special Award Arts & Culture Business Education & Religion Medicine Science Youth Leadership

1989 Women of Excellence

Janeen Drew Gilliam Elizabeth G. Haley, Ph.D. Marilyn Jantz Dickey Services Elizabeth Creson Sisco, J.D. Teddy L. Langford, R.N., Ph.D., C.N.A.A. Science & Medicine Kamie Ethridge Yumi Christina Koh

Arts & Culture Education & Religion Government & Human

Professional Special Achievement Youth Leadership