City of Fresno Disability Advisory Commission 2020 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This year marks the 30th Anniversary of the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The City of Fresno Disability Advisory Commission (DAC) will recognize individuals and organizations in Fresno for excellence in representing, collaborating with or serving individuals with disabilities as part of the celebration of Disability Awareness Month.

Award recipients will be selected from the following award categories:

- Individual Lifetime Advocate
- Organization Overarching Inclusion
- City of Fresno Employee or Department Years of Positive Progress

Award recipients will be recognized for achievement over the past three decades in one or more of the following areas:

- Improving the quality of life for individuals with disabilities
- Advocacy for issues pertaining to individuals with disabilities
- Volunteerism that has a positive impact on individuals with disabilities
- Development of new programs or services impacting individuals with disabilities
- Customer service to individuals with disabilities that is above and beyond the standard
- Innovation or Entrepreneurship by an individual with a disability or that has a positive impact on individuals with disabilities

To make a nomination:

- 1. Complete the nomination form
 - a. Online form at <u>www.fresno.gov/ada</u> or
 - b. Nomination form below
- 2. Attach letters of support (maximum six)
- 3. Attach photo of nominee (optional)

Submit paper/email nominations to:

Shannon M. Mulhall, Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator 2600 Fresno Street, Rm 4011 Fresno, CA, 93721 <u>Shannon.Mulhall@fresno.gov</u>

Submit nomination online at <u>www.fresno.gov/ada</u>

Nominations are due by 5:00 p.m. on August 1, 2020.

For questions or to request this application in an alternative format please contact Shannon M. Mulhall at: 559-621-8716 (v), 559-627-8721 (TTY), 559-457-1051 (FAX) or <u>Shannon.Mulhall@fresno.gov</u>.

Please note that because of open meeting requirements, the application information provided to the DAC will also be made available to the public.

Selection process

The nomination period will be open from June 1, 2020 through August 1, 2020. Current Commissioners are not eligible to nominate or be nominated for achievement awards however in the case that no nominations are received for a particular category the DAC may select award recipients at their discretion. The DAC will designate a task force to review submissions and select the top two nominees for each category. At the September regular DAC meeting commissioners will vote from the top nominees for the award recipients. Recipients will be honored in conjunction with the proclamation of October as Disability Awareness Month.

2020 DAC Achievement Award Nomination Form

Nomination may be submitted online at <u>www.fresno.gov/ada</u> instead of using this form.

Nominee Information Nominee Name:
Nominee Address:
Nominee Phone:
Nominee Email:
Nominator Information Nominator Name:
Nominator Address:
Nominator Phone:
Nominator Email:
Nomination Category (please select one):

Individual - Lifetime Advocate

Organization - Overarching Inclusion

City of Fresno Employee or Department - Years of Positive Progress

Nominated for:

Improving the quality of life for individuals with disabilities

Advocacy for issues pertaining to individuals with disabilities

Volunteerism that has a positive impact on individuals with disabilities

Development of new programs or services impacting individuals with disabilities

Customer service to individuals with disabilities that is above and beyond the standard

Innovation or Entrepreneurship by an individual with a disability or that has a positive impact on individuals with disabilities

Nomination Statement

Give a brief description (300-500 words) of why you feel your nominee should receive this award. Attach two to six letters from people able to provide supporting testimony (peers, parents, students, clients, etc.), additional supporting materials, and photo of nominee (optional). Attach additional pages if necessary.