

**Special Olympics Michigan**  
**2022 Hall of Fame Award Nomination Form**

Nomination forms must be submitted no later than Nov 1, 2022. Winners will be announced at "The SOMI's" Award Ceremony Dec 2, 2022. If you need additional space to complete the responses on this nomination form, please include them on a separate document.

Nominee:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone:      Work:

Home:

Email Address:

Number of years with Special Olympics Michigan :

Involvement at: (check all that apply)

State Level

Area Level

Local Level

National Level

International Level

List roles of involvement with Special Olympics Michigan (e.g., management team, fundraising, chaperoning, programming, etc.). If possible, list all that apply and years involved.

Is the nominee a family member of a Special Olympics athlete?      Yes      No

Is the nominee a Special Olympics athlete?      Yes      No

Is working with Special Olympics part of the nominee's full-time job?      Yes      No

If so, in what way?

Nominated by:

Phone:

Date:

For consideration, a typed one-page essay on the impact the nominee has made upon Special Olympics Michigan programming and why this nominee should be considered for the Hall of Fame must be included with this form. Additionally, please attach letters of support.

Please send completed forms to the state office prior to Nov 1, 2022 to [somi@somi.org](mailto:somi@somi.org).

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**PURPOSE**

The Hall of Fame is an annual award established as the highest tribute paid to persons who have made a significant impact upon the athletes, volunteers, and/or programming of SOMI.

**CRITERIA**

When submitting a nomination for this prestigious award, the nominating party should consider the following criteria:

- The nominee's service must have made a significant impact upon the athletes, volunteers or programs of Special Olympics Michigan.
- The nominee must have at least 15 years of experience with Special Olympics Michigan showing multiple levels of involvement by the person in the program, requiring state and at least one other level (i.e. local, area, national or international).
- A one-page essay, which cites the reasons why the nominee should be considered for the SOMI Hall of Fame, must be included. This should include specific details around the areas where they have volunteered and had an impact.
- Support letters from coaches, schools, athletes, etc. are encouraged.
- List the multiple roles the person has served in. The state, national and international involvement needs to be a service such as serving on a task force or committee, or part of the national or international delegation (e.g., local, area, state, national and international games committee or task force, international or national coach, USLC, national or international committee, fundraiser, management team member, event director, volunteer coordinator, assistant area director, etc.).
- This award is open to former paid employees of Special Olympics Michigan under this specific criteria – they must not be on the payroll at the time of the award, they must have worked or volunteered for at least 20 years, and they must exhibit impacts well beyond their specific job title within the organization.

The selection committee consists of the Executive Committee of the Special Olympics Michigan Board of Directors and two members of the Hall of Fame.

Should your nominee be selected, you will need to submit 6-8 photos or slides of that person to SOMI for the award presentation.

**AWARD PRESENTATION**

The Hall of Fame awards are announced and presented at The SOMI's award ceremony Dec 2, 2022 and the Unified Sports and Inclusion Center in Grand Rapids (details to follow).