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Dan Johnson Advocacy Award Nomination Application

About the Award

The Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD) is pleased to announce a call for nominations for the Dan Johnson Advocacy Award. The Dan Johnson Advocacy Award is aimed at recognizing excellence in advocacy, and public policy change for people with physical disabilities, rather than disability advocacy, for which there are many other prestigious awards. CPD reserves the right not to select an award recipient in any given year, or to name more than one award recipient in any given year, at the discretion of CPD and its members at the time.

Required Eligibility Criteria

Awardees will be selected based on the description or evidence provided in the nomination application that demonstrates how they are currently or have previously contributed to physical disability advocacy.

Awardees are individuals with physical disabilities who advocate for people with physical disabilities and have had a positive impact on federal or state legislation, public policy, or programs that affect people with disabilities in Wisconsin. These individuals should be extensively involved in the disability community and their local community. They should work to educate decision-makers, the public, and media about issues faced by people with physical disabilities. The advocacy work should exceed normal expectations of regular advocacy practice and should be inclusive and respectful of the values and independence of those who are affected by it. **Please review award criteria before submitting an application.** Full award criterion is available at on [CPD's website](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/cpd/dj-award.htm) (<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/cpd/dj-award.htm>).

The nominee must be:

- A person with a physical disability. Physical disability is defined in Wisconsin State Statute 15.197(4), and,



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- Alive (or living at the time of nomination), and,
- Advocating for, or has advocated in the past, for people with physical disabilities in Wisconsin, and,
- An individual who represents, or is drawn from, a stakeholder group across the physical disabilities continuum: academic; community partners; individual consumers; industry; government; and non-profit sector.

Reason for Nomination

Describe the nominee's significant accomplishments and relevant contributions related to advocacy for people with physical disabilities. In addition, describe the positive impact the nominee has had on federal or state legislation, public policy, or programs that affect people with disabilities in Wisconsin.

This individual should be extensively involved in the disability community and their local community, and the nomination description should include how this individual educated decision-makers, the public, and media about issues faced by people with physical disabilities (Please describe why they deserve this award in 750 words or less).

- Attach a letter of recommendation from the nominator.
- Provide any other materials that support the nomination.

Nominee

Full Name: Click here to enter text.

Title: Click here to enter text.

Address: Click here to enter text.

Phone: Click here to enter text.

Email: Click here to enter text.



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Nominator

Full Name: Click here to enter text.

Title: Click here to enter text.

Address: Click here to enter text.

Phone: Click here to enter text.

Email: Click here to enter text.

Application Process and Timeline

Governance and Awardee Determination

CPD is a governor-appointed council, established by Dan Johnson, and created by the Wisconsin State Legislature in 1989, to address the needs of people with physical disabilities. CPD is chaired by an elected council member and is comprised of 14 members, who govern the award process. CPD is responsible for the call for nominations, evaluation of the nominees, and selection of award recipient(s).

Timeline and Submission

CPD is calling for nominations for the Dan Johnson Advocacy Award. CPD will accept applications beginning December 1, 2022, through April 30, 2023. Applications for nomination must **be submitted by 5:00 P.M. (CST) on April 30, 2023**. CPD will review applications at their July 2023 quarterly meeting. The Dan Johnson Advocacy Award will be presented at CPD's October quarterly meeting on October 25, 2023. The name of the awardee will be kept confidential until the award is presented.

CPD will make their decision based on evaluation of the nomination packages received. Each nomination package must include a completed application form, a letter of recommendation, and any additional information that will assist CPD during the evaluation and award process. Nomination applications can be emailed to [Ashley Walker](mailto:ashley.walker@dhs.wisconsin.gov) at ashley.walker@dhs.wisconsin.gov.



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Profiling the Award Recipient

CPD will work to elevate the profile of the award recipient by publicizing the award, the recipient's accomplishments and contributions, and the award event itself through its website, social media, local and state publications, and networks. CPD will make every effort to recognize the award recipient and their accomplishments.

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