



2024 Governor's Volunteer Service Award Nomination is Now Open

Wayne County, NC – Nominations are now being accepted for the 2024 Governor's Service Award and Medallion Award for Volunteer Service.

The awards program, created by the Office of the Governor in 1979, recognizes North Carolina's most dedicated volunteers. Through the years, the award has been bestowed on thousands of North Carolinians who have shown concern and compassion for their neighbors by volunteering in their local community.

Each county selects up to ten individuals, businesses, groups/teams and one paid Director of Volunteers to be recognized for their outstanding contribution to their communities. One of the nominees will be nominated for the Governor's Medallion Award for Volunteer Service, which is awarded to approximately the top 20 volunteers in the state. A local committee evaluates the nominations.

To be eligible, volunteers must have been engaged in volunteer activities in North Carolina, primarily in Wayne County and the volunteer work was not for compensation, school credit, or mandated by court or other authorities; volunteers may not be nominated by themselves, family members or members of their volunteer group being submitted for nominations. Previous recipients from the past 10 years are ineligible.

Nominations for Wayne County must be submitted using the provided form and emailed to pilar@unitedwayne.org or dropped off at the United Way of Wayne County office located at 2803 Cashwell Drive Suite B, Goldsboro. The form must be **typed, with all required parts completed as well as signed and dated by the nominator. The deadline to submit nominations for Wayne County is January 27, at 5 p.m.** The nomination may also be completed using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H957RPB>. Forms submitted online go directly to the NC Commissions on Volunteerism and Community Service (Volunteer NC) office in Raleigh and have the same deadline of January 27 at 5 p.m. Nominators who utilize this option are cautioned to submit their nomination forms well before the deadline date to ensure receipt of the form by the Wayne County award coordinator. The local GVSA Committee will review the nominations and recommend the final ten nominees which will be submitted to Volunteer NC no later than the February 16, 2024 submission deadline.

Nomination forms are available in Wayne County at the following locations:

United Way of Wayne County - 2803 Cashwell Drive, Suite B, Goldsboro (919) 735-3591

Wayne County Public Libraries:

Goldsboro - 1001 E. Ash St. (919) 735-1824

Mt Olive - 119 W. Main St. (919) 299-8105

Pikeville – 106 W. Main St. (919) 705-1892

Wayne Community College: (Information Desk) 3000 Wayne Memorial Drive, Goldsboro

United Way of Wayne County is a local non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of our residents by uniting people and resources. Our strategies mobilize and leverage community resources and fund 2-1-1 for Wayne County. 2-1-1 is a free, confidential, and multi-lingual helpline.