



2024 Youth Appreciation Awards

Nomination deadline: *Monday, April 8, 2024*

The District of West Vancouver hosts the Youth Appreciation Awards each year during Youth Week (May 1-7) to celebrate the achievements and dedication of outstanding youth and youth groups within the West Vancouver community. The Youth Appreciation Awards acknowledge those youth and youth groups who have made a significant contribution to their local or global community and who show initiative, enthusiasm, commitment, and a positive attitude.

The District of West Vancouver asks community members and professionals working with deserving youth or youth groups to nominate them for an award!

Category Descriptions:

YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARD

The Youth Recognition Award recognizes individual youth who have made noteworthy achievements or who have achieved considerable progress in a particular endeavour, thus exhibiting the ability and commitment for personal change and growth.

YOUTH COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AWARD

The Youth Community Enhancement Award recognizes individual youth who have made a voluntary contribution to their community that resulted in a positive change or made a lasting impact, such as developing a project, serving on a committee, or participating in other volunteer work with an organization and/or group. All nominees must demonstrate a minimum contribution of 50 hours of school or community service work between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024.

OUTSTANDING YOUTH TEAM AWARD

The Outstanding Youth Team Award recognizes a group of youth who have completed a minimum of 35 hours per youth of service, resulting in enhanced programs and/or services for their school or their local or global community between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024. If any individual youth in a group has not completed 35 hours of service, the individual does not qualify for the award. It is the Nominator's responsibility to confirm that each individual youth in a group has completed 35 hours of service.¹

¹ If you are nominating a group for the Outstanding Youth Team Award, you will be asked to provide the name and contact information of the main contact person for this group. If the group is selected for an award, the main contact person is the one who will be responsible for providing the award details to the selected group of youth.

Nomination Criteria:

1. A completed *Nomination Form* must be received by April 8, 2024. There will be no extension on the nomination deadline.
2. The nominator must not be related to an individual nominee but may be related to one or more members of a group nominee.
3. The nominee does not have to live in the District of West Vancouver as long as the activities which are being acknowledged occurred in the District of West Vancouver.
4. If the nominee is a District of West Vancouver resident, the activities which are being acknowledged can occur in another community.
5. The eligible age for nominees is 13-18 years.
6. Youth may be nominated for more than one award.

Process for Nominations:

Award candidates may be nominated by individuals, non-profit agencies, businesses, and other organizations.

Nomination forms are available:

1. Online: westvancouver.ca/youth
2. By request from lnakamura@westvancouver.ca

Submit completed nomination forms:

1. By email to lnakamura@westvancouver.ca; OR
2. By mail to: Lenna Nakamura, Aquatics & Youth Services Manager
West Vancouver Community Centre
2121 Marine Drive, West Vancouver, BC V7V 4Y2

The application deadline is Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6 p.m.

Selection Process:

1. Once all of the nomination forms are received by the deadline, they will be reviewed by District of West Vancouver staff.
2. More than one award in each category may be awarded to the same youth in any one year.
3. The selected nominees will be contacted by phone and/or email, detailing their options for receiving or picking up their Youth Appreciation Award.
4. Information about the awards presented, including the names of the award recipients, will be published on the District of West Vancouver's website from the current and past year. Award recipients will be provided with a *Personal Information Disclosure Consent* form for their consideration.

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2024 Youth Appreciation Awards Nomination Form

Completed nomination forms must be received by 6 p.m. on Monday, April 8, 2024.
There will be no extension to the nomination deadline.

Name of nominator: _____

Phone number of nominator: _____

Email of nominator: _____



Individual Youth Nominations:

Award Category:

Youth Recognition

Youth Community Enhancement

Name of individual youth: _____

Phone number of individual youth: _____

Email of individual youth: _____

Age: _____

Pronoun (i.e. she, he, they): _____

School (if applicable): _____

Total # of volunteer hours (Youth Community Enhancement Award only): _____

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Group Nominations:

Award Category:

Outstanding Youth Team

Names of all youth in the group:

Total # of volunteer hours: _____

Name of the main contact person for the group: _____

Phone number of contact person: _____

Email of contact person: _____

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Describe in detail why you feel this individual or group is deserving of a Youth Appreciation Award and how their efforts relate to the chosen award category. Keep your responses under 125 words. Anything over 125 words will not be accepted. Please type directly in this box. This description or a portion thereof may be used in printed materials, so please provide an appropriate edited description:

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Notice: personal information contained on this form is collected pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act sections 26(c) and 27(1)(c)(i) and will be used for the purpose of processing Youth Appreciation Award Nominations and selecting awardees. If you have questions about the collection and use of this information please contact Legislative Services, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays, at 604-921-3497 at Municipal Hall, 750 17th Street, West Vancouver BC V7V 3T3

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