January, 2015

Dear Colleague:

The Mayor’s Drug and Alcohol Executive Commission is sponsoring its eighteenth annual “Making A Difference” awards dinner Wednesday, June 3, 2015 at the Hilton Philadelphia City Avenue, 4200 City Avenue. The event is being held to publicly acknowledge the tireless efforts of organizations and individuals who work or volunteer to prevent substance abuse in our City.

We are inviting you to nominate an individual or organization for an award that best represents those efforts. As the attached form explains, nominations can be made in four different categories. Please take the time to think about those individuals and organizations that make a difference. All nominations must be received no later than Wednesday, April 15, 2015 to be considered.

Don’t forget to hold June 3, 2015 on your calendar for the awards dinner. I am sure that you will want to be present to celebrate the achievements of your colleagues, organizations and volunteers who are deserving of our community’s recognition. You will receive your dinner invitation in the mail shortly. In the meantime, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call Marvin Levine, Deputy Director of Addiction Services at 215-685-5404.

Sincerely,

James P. Baker, Chairman
Mayor’s Drug and Alcohol Executive Commission

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THE MAYOR'S DRUG AND ALCOHOL EXECUTIVE COMMISSION

"Making a Difference" Awards Program

NOMINATION FORM

Please nominate one organization, faith-based program or individual who best exemplifies the spirit of "Making A Difference" in our community. You may nominate only one organization or person in each category. ONLY ONE NOMINATION PER FORM. But many nomination forms are encouraged!

1. **Treatment Provider:** Nominee must be program director or staff member of a licensed treatment provider. Nominate an individual.

2. **Recovery Community:** Nominee must be a member of the program staff of a recovery program or house. Nominate an individual.

3. **Community Organization:** Nominee must be a community-based, anti-drug or religious organization working to address drug and alcohol problems in Philadelphia's neighborhoods. Nominate an organization - not an individual.

4. **Community Person:** An activist who makes a difference in addressing local drug and alcohol abuse problems. Nominate an individual.

Nomination category: __________________________________________

Nominee: ___________________________ Title: ______________________

Organization: ________________________________________________

Address: _____________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State __________ Zip ______

Phone (Day) ___________________ (Eve) ___________________ (Fax) ______

USE THIS SECTION FOR NOMINATING TREATMENT PROVIDER; RECOVERY COMMUNITY; AND COMMUNITY PERSON CATEGORIES (Use additional paper if necessary):

How long has this person worked at this agency/program? __________________________________________

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What specific activities does he/she perform for the organization? __________________________________

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What is remarkable about how this person performs his/her job?


Are there other ways this nominee makes a difference in our community to promote recovery (activities outside their normal scope of work? Related volunteer actions?)


Are there specific characteristics that this person exhibits that cause him/her to excel in this award category?


USE THIS SECTION FOR NOMINATING A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

Describe the mission of the organization and who it actually serves. How long has this organization served this community? How many people are impacted by the organization’s activities? How does this organization specifically address community drug and alcohol issues? What are examples of the organization’s successes?


Name of Person completing form: ____________________________ Title: ____________________________

Organization: ____________________________ Phone #: ____________________________

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Send to: Mayor's Drug and Alcohol Executive Commission
        C/o Office of Addiction Services
        1101 Market Street, 8th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107; or fax to: Kan Varghese - 215-685-5427.
        Questions? Call Kan at 215-685-5404

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