



Volunteers are the heart and soul of Regina and Area Sexual Assault Centre. Our 24/7 Sexual Assault Crisis Line is a volunteer-driven service for the community, answering an average of 200-300 calls for support every year. We know that without dedicated and kind-hearted people investing their time, talents, skills, and heart into their community, we would simply not be able to do what we do for survivors of sexualized violence.

For 41 years, Regina's own Mirtha Rivera, activist, community leader, and steadfast volunteer, was one of these volunteers. To honour her incredible commitment while uplifting and celebrating volunteerism in our community, we've established the Mirtha's Love Volunteer Award. This annual recognition will honour 1 individual in Regina, Moose Jaw, or the surrounding area who is making a significant contribution as a volunteer, especially in the areas of social justice, gender equity, and violence prevention work.

The award is open for nominations from the public, and the recipient of the award will be provided with a \$500 honorarium to recognize and thank them for their contributions and encourage them to access teachings and training that will help enhance their skills in serving their community. RSAC recognizes that not every individual who volunteers has the capacity to undertake training; therefore, recipients will not be required to invest the funds in education and are not required to report on how they used the funds. They will, however, also be eligible to attend RSAC's "Supporting Survivors of Sexualized Violence" Full Day training (Value of \$150)

Nominee Eligibility

- Living and volunteering within a 50 km radius of the Regina and Moose Jaw areas
- Active volunteer or recently retired volunteer with a long history in volunteerism in the areas of social justice and equity, and ideally addressing gender-based violence. Examples include volunteers of crisis lines, shelters, victim services, non-profit boards, and grassroots organizations
- Not a staff member or Board of Director of RSAC
- Willing to consent to a Criminal Record Check
- Willing to consent to their name and a short biography being shared on RSAC website and social media (what is shared can be negotiated based on personal or safety reasons)

Nomination Guidelines

Nominators Must:

- Be from the Regina and Moose Jaw area (either living here, or a past resident)
- Specify their connection to the nominee and be able to attest to the nominee's contributions
- Receive signed consent from nominee to be nominated
- Provide 1 additional reference for the nominee
- Not be members of RSAC staff or Board of Directors
- Submit their completed nomination application (including supporting information) by the due date. Late submissions will not be considered.
- Nominators may re-nominate an individual who was previously nominated but was not chosen for the award.

Adjudication Process

- All supplementary documentation must be provided with the application, before the due date, for the nomination to be considered
- The deliberation committee will include staff, Board and/or volunteers of RSAC
- Nominees will be considered based on their volunteer work related social justice, equity and gender-based violence and the alignment of this work with the Mission, Vision and Values of RSAC. Nominators can review this here: reginasexualassaultcentre.ca/about-us
- The successful nominee will be chosen within 30 days of nomination closure and will be announced at the RSAC AGM in the Fall of each year
- The successful nominee will be notified 3 weeks prior to the AGM and is encouraged to attend the AGM for the announcement
- Funds will be provided following the announcement via cheque. The award recipient cannot be renominated in following years

Nomination Application

Nominator Information

Nominator Name

First Name Last Name

Nominator Email

example@example.com

Address

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

Nominator Phone Number

Area Code Phone Number

Date of Submission

Month Day Year

I have received consent to nominate this person *

Yes

Nominee Information

Nominee Name

First Name Last Name

Nominee Email

example@example.com

Nominee pronouns

Nominee Address

Nominee Phone Number

Street Address

Area Code Phone Number

Street Address Line 2

City

Nominee Social Media Handle (if applicable)

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

How do you know this nominee?

Please provide a summary of the nominee's volunteer experience:

Why do you feel this nominee should receive the award?

By checking the boxes below, I confirm I have/will provide the following and confirm the information to be true and accurate

Completed this Nomination Form in full

Provided 1 additional reference by email to rsac@sasktel.net

Have received consent to nominate this individual

Have confirmed the nominee is comfortable providing a CRC

Will email this completed nomination form to rsac@sasktel.net