

2022 Women of Distinction Awards

Woman & Young Woman

Nomination Form

Please read the following carefully as there have been specific changes to the nomination process

YWCA Rock County invites you to participate in our **Annual Women of Distinction Awards** by nominating a woman or young woman (21 and under) who has made a significant impact in our community and achieved personal & professional success. In completing the application, consider how the nominee has achieved personal & professional success that is perceived to be above and beyond what could be expected.

Since 1975, the YWCA Rock County Women of Distinction Awards has honored more than 260 individuals and organizations who have improved women's lives through community service, professional achievement, integrity, leadership, and dedication to the well-being of others. Who will be honored in 2022?

Nominations must be received no later than 4pm on Monday, January 24, 2022.

Please ensure all nominations and letters of support/recommendation are current to the 2022 nomination process. Letters dated more than 60 days prior will not be considered by the selection committee.

On Wednesday evening, May 11, 2022, we will award honors for **Women of Distinction** and **Young Women of Distinction**.

Nomination Checklist

As you submit your nomination, please make sure to provide the following:

- Submit this Nomination Form and any other supporting materials or letters to YWCA Rock County by 4PM, Monday, January 24, 2022.
- Letters of support: If your nominee has achieved success at work, at church, by assisting a nonprofit organization, etc., please submit letters of support. These help the selection committee get to know more about the nominee.
- Please provide no more than **two letters of support**.

Mail to:

YWCA Women of Distinction
1735 S. Washington St.
Janesville, WI 53546

OR

Email to:

Kari Dray: kdray@ywcarockco.com

Awards Night

Recipients receive their awards Wednesday evening, May 11th at our *Her Night to Shine* event at Glen Erin Golf Club/The Celtic House in Janesville.

Selection Process

YWCA Women of Distinction are selected by an independent panel of community members, past recipients, and YWCA board members.

How to Nominate a Woman or Young Woman of Distinction in Three Easy Steps

{STEP ONE} Complete the information below. Please print or type.

{THE NOMINEE}

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Employer: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

{ABOUT YOU, THE NOMINATOR}

Your name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Employer: _____

{STEP TWO} Please answer each of the following questions with 250 words or less.

1. What is your relationship to the nominee?

2. Summarize your nominee's accomplishments for use as an introduction to the nominee in publicity materials.

3. Role Model: Describe how this person has served as a role model for others in her community or her profession. (Examples: How has the nominee influenced the lives of others? How has she helped women and girls achieve their goals? Is she a role model in her profession or in a volunteer capacity?)

4. Community Involvement: How has the nominee given back to the community through her time, talent, and/or resources?

5. Achievements: How has the nominee demonstrated sustained excellence, accomplishment, and creativity in her profession? Please give specifics about how the nominee has garnered respect within Rock County or her professional field.

6. Eliminating Racism & Empowering Women: How has the nominee shown that she actively supports the YWCA mission of eliminating racism and empowering women? (Examples: How has she proactively strengthened policies, practices, attitudes and/or actions that are creating equity for everyone? How is she involved in women's issues? How has she worked to eliminate racism and make the Rock County community more inclusive and equitable?)

7. State any other reasons why this nominee should be recognized as a Woman of Distinction. (OPTIONAL)

{STEP THREE} Submit this **Nomination Form** and any other supporting materials or letters to the **YWCA Rock County by 4PM, Monday, January 24, 2022.** If your nominee has achieved success in more than one area such as at work, at church, by assisting a nonprofit organization, etc., please submit no more than two letters of support.

- via email to kdray@ywcarockco.com
- fax 608-755-4743
- or drop off one printed copy at
YWCA Rock County
1735 South Washington Street
Janesville, WI 53546

Our Mission

YWCA Rock County is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

www.ywcarockcounty.org

