

## Serve Wisconsin now Accepting Nominations for the 2023 Governor's Service Awards Nominations due Monday, April 10

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Serve Wisconsin is pleased to open nominations for the 2023 Governor's Service Awards. The award ceremony will be held on Wednesday, June 7, at the Olbrich Botanical Gardens in Madison.

The Governor's Service Awards honor outstanding national service members, volunteers, and programs. Those honored by these awards will have made significant contributions to Wisconsin through their service, with their generous service impacting the lives of countless Wisconsinites. Awards will recognize outstanding national service by individuals and programs serving through AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors and the tremendous impact volunteers make throughout the state by honoring a Volunteer of the Year from each of six Wisconsin regions.

When honoring the recipients of the 2022 Governor's Service Awards, Lt. Governor Mandela Barnes told the 2022 honorees that "all of you demonstrate the importance of service... It was you all who have been there to lend a helping hand. You may not know it, but you made a difference." Barnes continued by describing the overall importance of service, explaining that "every year, there are countless Wisconsinites and provides instant millions of hours of volunteer service that impacts people in every part of Wisconsin. Service makes a tangible difference in the lives of people all over the state and never more so during the challenges we have recently experienced. I want to express my deep appreciation for the spirit of caring for others and the willingness to make a difference. Especially during the tough times, but most importantly, the work that you'll do in the future, because that is what this is all about."

Nominations for the awards are due on Monday, April 10, with the 2023 nomination form and information on past recipients available on the Serve Wisconsin website at https://www.servewisconsin.wi.gov/governors-service-awards.

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Serve Wisconsin works with AmeriCorps programs throughout the state of Wisconsin to address human, educational, environmental, public safety and homeland security needs. AmeriCorps members are given the opportunity to enrich the lives of the people and communities they serve and their own lives through professional and personal development. Serve Wisconsin is governed by a 21-member citizen body appointed by Governor Evers. For more information, visit <a href="https://servewisconsin.wi.gov">https://servewisconsin.wi.gov</a>.

