

Community Service Award Criteria

Purpose: The Student Government Association (SGA) at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio wish to recognize recognized student organization members in their Community Service efforts. Additionally, it is the hope of SGA that such recognition will heighten the awareness of other campus community members to engage in volunteerism throughout the year.

Eligibility: All recognized student organizations in good standing at The University of Texas Health Science Center who have participated in community service between June 1, 2012 and March 23, 2012 are eligible for consideration of this award.

Selection Committee: The president of the SGA will annually appoint a committee comprised of current SGA officers and/or members to review submitted applications. This committee, in collaboration with SGA advisors, will be charged with making the final selection for this award.

Application Process: Application forms and instructions will be available online. Hard copies will be available in the Student Life Office (314L MED). **The completed application and supporting documents must be received in the Student Life Office (314L MED) no later than 5:00 p.m., March 23, 2012.** (NO exceptions will be made to the deadline requirement).

Selection Criteria: The award recognizes and honors a student organization whose volunteerism exemplifies a sense of caring and responsibility for others that improves upon individuals' lives and that addresses societal issues.

The following items are required as a part of the application package:

- Completed application form signed by the faculty advisor.
- A narrative description (not to exceed two pages) of the community service activity being considered. Such description should include a statement indicating how this activity had a positive impact on the community.
- A letter of support from the community agency that was impacted by the volunteer service.
- A list of current organization members indicating which members participated in this activity. Please note, for consideration of this award, a minimum of one-third of the student organization's membership must have participated in the activity. Additionally, each participating individual must have provided a minimum of one hour of volunteer service. A total number of volunteer service hours must be indicated on the application form.

Award Recognition:

- The selected student organization will have their name engraved upon a perpetual plaque that will be displayed in the Office of Student Life.
- The student organization will receive an award certificate.
- A one-time cash award of \$100 will be deposited into the student organization's on-campus account.