

2007 Seattle Human Service Coalition Award Criteria

Outstanding Organization or Program

This award will be given to an established agency or program that provides outstanding services to low-income people in the city of Seattle. The nomination description should reflect the agency's or program's:

- ❖ Demonstrated efficient use of resources
- ❖ Excellence in staff training and development
- ❖ Accessibility and cultural diversity
- ❖ Evaluation and attention to program results
- ❖ Success in public relations
- ❖ Effective participation in collaborative efforts to advocate for clients and services

Innovative Program

This award will be presented to a new human service program (implemented since January 2002) that has successfully initiated services in a particularly innovative manner. The program must be:

- ❖ Responding to an emerging or existing need in a new way
- ❖ Creatively leveraging resources
- ❖ Demonstrating a commitment to cultural diversity
- ❖ Building on an outstanding program design and start up
- ❖ Collecting initial results proving beneficial to people served

Excellence in Advocacy

This award will be presented to an individual who has been:

- ❖ A leader in the human services community
- ❖ Active in coalition building which may include local, county, state and /or national levels
- ❖ Instrumental in creating positive change through the development of a new agency or program, public policy or law
- ❖ Diligent in identifying and meeting unmet needs

Stewardship

This award will be presented to a business or corporation, private or public foundation, local government office or employee thereof, media, public official, or individual whom:

- ❖ Demonstrated long-standing support of human services by devoting resources, financial or otherwise to the development and continuation of human services and programs
- ❖ Is recognized as an advocate for human service
- ❖ Demonstrated the desire to create a better society, not only through direct human services, but also by the pursuit of social justice through action and dedication to the mission of improved quality of life for all Seattle's Citizens
- ❖ Supported human services by drawing public attention to the importance of the mission of these agencies and the needs of those they serve

Ron Chisom Anti-Racism Award

This award will be presented to a human services organization that has demonstrated its commitment in undoing racism in its own organization and in the broader community. The nominee must:

- ❖ Be committed to becoming an anti-racist organization;
- ❖ Have People of Color in the decision-making bodies of the organization;
- ❖ Have a demonstrated commitment to providing on-going anti-racism training and education for their staff and board members;
- ❖ Be accountable to community members in receiving support and contributing to collective projects; and
- ❖ Serve as a model for other organizations that want to do this work.