



FLORIDA LITERACY COALITION, INC.

Call For 2018 Florida Literacy Award Nominations

Do you know someone doing great things in literacy?

Recognize the noteworthy accomplishments and achievements of individuals and organizations supporting adult and family literacy throughout Florida. Nominations are now being accepted. **The deadline for nominations is February 20th.** If you would like to nominate an individual or an organization, [click here](#).

INDIVIDUAL AWARD CATEGORIES

The Mary J Brogan Award:

Recognizes a Florida resident whose support of adult and/or family literacy exhibits the highest standards of excellence, dedication, leadership, creativity and accomplishment. The recipient will receive a \$100 gift certificate from New Reader's Press.

Flight for Freedom Award:

Honors an adult student who has demonstrated exceptional accomplishment in improvement of literacy or leadership skills within literacy. The adult student must currently be tutored by a literacy volunteer or enrolled in an adult education program (GED, ESL, Workplace Literacy, etc.) or be a former student who was enrolled in a program within 6 months of the nomination submission. Recipient will receive two round-trip tickets to any [Southwest Airlines destination](#) in the Continental US and Puerto Rico.

Outstanding Literacy Volunteer Award:

Honors an adult or family literacy volunteer who has demonstrated exceptional service and commitment in either tutoring or program operations. This award may be given as recognition for a specific outstanding achievement, or for ongoing exceptional service. The recipient will receive a \$100 gift certificate from New Reader's Press.

ORGANIZATIONAL AWARD CATEGORIES

Excellence in Education Award:

Honors an organization demonstrating achievement, innovation, leadership or organizational excellence in support of adult basic education, literacy and/or family literacy education in Florida. Eligible organizations include community-based volunteer literacy programs, library literacy, local educational agencies and institutional literacy programs. Thanks to the support of [Northwest Federal Credit Union](#), the recipient will receive an **award of \$2,500** along with a gift certificate for \$100 from New Reader's Press.

Outstanding Community Partner Award:

Outstanding Community Partner Award: Honors a community or business partner for leadership or significant contributions in support of adult education, literacy or family literacy at the local, regional or state level. Example areas of support may include, but are not limited to providing: grants/financial contributions, volunteers, space for training/tutoring or classes, in-kind donations, and publicity and media coverage. For profit businesses, government agencies and non-profit partners are eligible for this award.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES

- Nominations must be submitted using the online submission form. Please attach the nomination narrative, not to exceed **two type-written single-spaced pages**. You may also include up to **two pages** of optional attachments (example. newspaper clippings or support letters). Please note that CDs, videos etc. will NOT be accepted as supporting documentation.
- FLC reserves the right to assign a nomination to an alternate category provided the nominator agrees to the reassignment.
- Award recipients will be selected by the 2018 Awards Committee
- Nominees must reside in the state of Florida and/or be a Florida business or subsidiary.
- Self-nominations are not permitted for individual awards and program staff members are not permitted to nominate their own program, however a volunteer or Board member is eligible to do so.
- Multiple nominations per category are permitted.
- A time span of four years must elapse before a previous award recipient can be considered for the same category.
- Contact Nicole Caban at (407) 246 - 7110 x 203 or ncaban@floridaliteracy.org with any questions about the nomination procedures.

PAST RECIPIENTS

Outstanding Literacy Volunteer Award

2017 Jill Crawford
2016 Mick Cole
2015 Butch Roberson
2014 Ken Horton
2013 Carla Heimer

Flight for Freedom Award

2017 Agalite Fils Jean
2016 Daniel Davidson
2015 Calvin Crews
2014 Marco Hernandez
2013 Christian Lundy

Outstanding Community Partner Award

2017 Cypress Cove at HealthPark Florida
2016 Country Federal Credit Union
2015 Tampa Bay Rays
2014 Forrest Hill Elementary
2013 Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas, Inc. 2012

Mary J. Brogan Leadership Award

2017 Amy Durand
2016 Tracey Barnes
2015 Susan Warner
2014 Susan Mutschler
2013 Mary Whitehurst

Excellence in Education Award

2017 DePorres Place
2016 Learn to Read Jacksonville
2015 Literacy Council Gulf Coast
2014 Marion County Literacy Council
2013 Jacksonville Public Library