Recommendation For

The Distinguished Youth Service Award

A Recognition Program for Adults Serving Unity Youth Presented by the Education, Leadership and Ministry Development department of Unity Worldwide Ministries

> Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

> > Matthew 5:16 KJV

The **Distinguished Youth Service Award** is a national recognition developed by Unity Worldwide Ministries. Its purpose is to acknowledge those adults who have given their time and energies to the church by serving the spiritual development of children and teens of Unity.

The candidate must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Minimum age of 25.
- 2. Have a minimum of seven (7) years serving Unity children or teens.
- 3. Is a model of Unity Truth principles for our youth.
- 4. Encourages youth to participate in spiritual growth opportunities in their congregation.
- 5. Exhibits leadership and is a model for other adult volunteers of youth.
- 6. Has an approved background check on file at the ministry she/he is serving.
- 7. Self and spouse nominations are not accepted.

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- Nominations may be initiated by adults who serve along side the nominee in the local church or at a regional level, or by youth who have had their lives enriched through the relationship with the nominee.
- □ The nominator must review thoroughly the "eligibility criteria" to be sure that the candidate meets the guidelines for selection.
- □ The nominator must gain the approval of the nominee's minister or board president or regional board before completing the application.
- □ The nominator must complete the application and submit a letter of recommendation for the nominee. It is imperative to give the complete name and title of the candidate as it should appear on the certificate .
- □ The nominator must collect and submit two (2) letters of recommendation for the nominee. One letter must come from the minister, or board president, and the other at large.
- The nominator must send in the completed application form with payment of \$30.00 to Unity Worldwide Ministries, PO Box 610, Lee's Summit, MO 64063.
 Payment by check, money order, MasterCard or Visa is accepted. (This award includes a gold-filledpendantsuspendedfromapurpleandyellowribbon,a goldtone pin with spinel stone and a certificate .)
- □ The application will be reviewed by the Member Services Department of Unity Worldwide Ministries. The nominator will be notified within three weeks about the status of the application.
- Please allow at least 90 days (3 months) process time before you plan to schedule presentation. It is recommended that you not set the date of presentation until you have received the award.

ievement There are two distinct areas of service that are required for the Distinguished Youth Service award. First, the candidate must be an active member in a Unity church or study group. Secondly, the candidate must have given significant service to youth, inside or outside the church. List on the following page all the activities, honors, and programs in which the candidate has been involved, emphasizing leadership responsibilities fulfilled.

Nominee In	formation —	
Name of Nominee		
	t exactly as it should appear on the certificate)	
Street address		
City	State	Zip
Number of years of service (Min	imum of 7) Date of Birth mm/do	1/уууу
Background Check on file 🗖 yes	s 🗖 no Passed Background Ch	eck 🗖 yes 🗖 no
Has given exceptional service to	o youth through one or more of the	youth related programs:
🗖 Unity children's ministry	Unity uniteens	Boy Scouts
Unity youth ed director	Unity regional consultant	Girl Scouts
🗖 Unity YOU	Unity minister	Other

Make a chronological record of service, activities, programs and honors of the nominee such as: teacher, sponsor, director, cubmaster, den leader, Webelos leader, scoutmaster, Explorer advisor, scouting coordinator, troop leader, club leader, and regional consultant.

Date From	Date To	Position	Church or Organization	Service/Activity/ Program/Honor

Church In	format	ion –	
Nominee's church			
Street address			
City			
Minister/board president na			
Phone		Email	
In recognition of outstanding r receive The Distinguished You	0 0	r congregation re	commends the nominee to
Approval 🗖 Minister or 🗖 Bo	pard President		
Signature		Date	
Nominator	r's Info	rmati	ON-
Street address			
City		State	Zip
Phone (Day Contact)		E-mail	
Nominator's Name (Print)			
Nominator's Signature			Date
Mail Award to: □ Nominator □ Church	Card # Name as appears on card_ Card Billing Address City	American Express	Worldwide Ministries Total to be charged \$ exp. date/ CID # Date://
Checklist: D Enclosed is the application of the case			

- Inclosed is the approximation of the calculate with supporting documents, including the approximation of the infinite of board president.
 Enclosed are three letters of recommendation; one from the nominator, one from the minister or board president or regional
- Enclosed are three letters of recommendation; one from the nominator, one from the minister or board president or regional board, and one at large.
- ☐ Enclosed is payment of \$30.00.

Please make check payable to the Unity Worldwide Ministries, 400 Unity Ciircle North, Suite A, Lee's Summit, MO 64085