



The Blue Mountain Chapter of the American Red Cross is preparing to honor "Ordinary people doing extraordinary things" at our **Fourth Annual Hometown Heroes Breakfast**. We need your help finding those special people who have responded to emergencies and have helped people in need.

- Heroes in six categories will be honored and each will be introduced at the event with a vignette detailing their act of heroism and presented with a commemorative personalized plaque.
- Award recipients will be selected from among the nominees by an independent panel of community leaders.

**Nominee**

Hero's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATION GUIDELINES**

- ◆ Must live in Walla Walla, Columbia County, or the Milton-Freewater area or contributed service in these areas.
- ◆ The contribution of service (giving First Aid, CPR, community service) must have occurred in the past 2 years
- ◆ All nominations must have a witness to interview.
- ◆ Nominees must be available to attend the Hometown Heroes Breakfast on March 11, 2009.
- ◆ **All nominations are due no later than January 9, 2009**

Please submit a typewritten narrative on a separate sheet of paper to explain why this person should be recognized for community heroism. Your statement will be reviewed by an independent selection committee along with supporting information you provide, such as newspaper articles.

Please indicate the category that best describes your nominee:

*Descriptions of each award category are on page 2..*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spirit of the Red Cross | <input type="checkbox"/> 9-1-1 Rescue           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good Samaritan Award    | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Service Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compassion in Action    | <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement Award  |

**Your Name**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

***Together, we can save a life***

The goal of this event is to recognize individuals in the community who have responded in emergency situations to help another person in need of help. We especially want to recognize those who may have used the life saving skills of CPR and First Aid that they learned in a Red Cross class. We also want to recognize those individuals who have dedicated their lives to helping others through their professional and personal work in the community.

**Description of each category:**

**Spirit of the Red Cross:** This award is meant to honor someone whose work in the community exemplifies the core values and fundamental principles of the American Red Cross. Namely, accountability, trustworthiness, and a commitment to humanitarian work.

**Good Samaritan:** The recipient of this award would ideally be an person (youth or adult) who helped someone in distress by offering first aid, CPR, and notified emergency first responders by calling 9-1-1. The action taken may have saved a life or prevented serious injury.

**Law Enforcement:** All of our law enforcement officers put their lives on the line every day to keep our community safe. The intent of this award is to recognize the work of law enforcement officers in our community. This award may recognize exceptional actions taken in the line of duty, or may recognize actions taken by a law enforcement officer to help others in the community.

**9-1-1 Rescue:** We depend on professional Emergency Medical Technicians and Fire Fighters who stand ready to defend us against unexpected emergencies such as house fires, heart attacks, and natural disasters. The intent of this award is to recognize professional emergency first responders and the work they do to keep us safe.

**Compassion in Action:** There are individuals in our community who work quietly behind the scenes to bring some level of happiness and joy to people close to home and far away. These individuals have taken up a cause and taken action in order to make life a bit more enjoyable for others who are experiencing difficulty, pain and loss in their lives.

**Lifetime Service Award:** This award is similar to the Compassion in Action Award and is intended to recognize someone who devoted his or her life to helping others and making the community in which he or she lives a better place. The service performed can be in the context of carrying out professional responsibilities or as a volunteer in the community.

Please return your nomination to:

Attention: Terry Hackney  
American Red Cross  
P. O. Box 3067  
Walla Walla, WA 99362

FAX to: 509-527-1269