



**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
SOUTHWEST
WASHINGTON

PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

SELECTION CRITERIA & INFORMATION

The Community Foundation established the *Philanthropist of the Year Award* to recognize and celebrate individuals, couples, families or foundations that serve as exemplars of generosity in our community through outstanding charitable support, leadership and service.

ELIGIBILITY

The award is presented to those who meet a high standard in the following criteria:

- Provides financial support — evidence of substantial contributions in support of southwest Washington nonprofits and communities.
- Contributes service and leadership to nonprofit sector — a history of volunteer work with nonprofits, including active board or leadership roles.
- Demonstrated philanthropic impact — efforts have resulted in major organizational successes or broad community benefits.
- Inspires and encourages philanthropy in others — positive influence on groups, organizations or individuals by exemplifying giving as a value or belief.

Candidates must be operating or living in southwest Washington or spend a considerable amount of time and energy serving communities in Clark, Cowlitz or Skamania Counties. Awards are presented to the most highly qualified candidates during the Annual Luncheon but not necessarily every year. The award is not available to those currently serving on the Board of Directors at the Community Foundation for Southwest Washington.

INCLUSION STATEMENT

The Community Foundation for Southwest Washington is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. We welcome a diverse pool of qualified nominations for consideration. A volunteer committee made up of community members and Community Foundation for Southwest Washington staff reviews all nominations before selecting a recipient.

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