

In the tradition of honouring hospice volunteers and in memory of the late June Callwood, Hospice Palliative Care Ontario is pleased to announce our annual call for inductions into the June Callwood Award Circle of Outstanding Volunteers.

The June Callwood Award was established in 1994 by the Hospice Association of Ontario, which joined in 2011 with the Ontario Palliative Care Association to form Hospice Palliative Care Ontario, to acknowledge and thank outstanding hospice volunteers throughout Ontario. The award was named in honour of the late June Callwood, the Award Patron, long-time hospice advocate, community activist, author, and recipient of the Order of Canada. June was a recipient of this award in 1995.

Volunteers are special people - a view strongly held by Ms. Callwood and expressed by her on many occasions, during interviews on TV and radio, through her warm message of support at the Hospice Association of Ontario's annual conferences and through her writing. Her book, *Twelve Weeks in Spring*, captured the spirit of hospice and emphasized the importance of the many and varied contributions of a team of volunteers.

In all her years as a journalist, author, broadcaster and humanitarian, June Callwood's name became synonymous with integrity, talent, and passion for social justice. She has touched the lives of generations of Canadians by giving that passion expression through her words and through her work in the service of those in need.

Hospice Palliative Care Ontario, through the June Callwood Circle of Outstanding Volunteers honours not only June, her tireless commitment, and contributions to the hospice movement, but also those who receive this prestigious annual award.

### **Nomination Deadline**

Applications and nominations for the award are accepted annually between January 1 and March 31. **Once the online system closes, late submissions will be not accepted, and no extensions will be granted.**

### **Eligibility**

Each hospice in Ontario that is an Organizational Member of HPCO, is invited to nominate one volunteer from within their organization who exemplifies the spirit of hospice volunteerism. Each nominee will be inducted into the June Callwood Circle of Outstanding Volunteers.

### **Award Criteria:**

- Inductees must be registered as a volunteer with a hospice that is an Organizational Member of Hospice Palliative Care Ontario
- Inductees must not be previous recipients of the June Callwood Award
- The Inductee is an individual who consistently extends themselves beyond the usual requirements of the volunteer role
- Each inductee should have demonstrated to their hospice the following attributes:
  - Selfless service
  - Generosity of spirit
  - Compassion
  - A commitment to excellence as a volunteer

## **The Nomination Process**

IMPORTANT NOTE: Nominations and registration to attend the event are two separate processes for you to complete.

### **First**

1. Select one volunteer recipient using your own process and based on the award criteria.
2. The executive director/agency head or Board Chair must approve of the nomination.  
Register your nominee online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JuneCallwood2023>
3. There will be an award luncheon fee of \$75 if the nominee is attending the conference in person to receive the award.

For recipients who are not attending the presentation in person, there is an administrative fee of \$35 which includes mailing of the June Callwood pin and certificate to your hospice.

4. If your nominee is attending the conference, they will receive a complimentary full-day registration for Sunday, June 11, 2023. NOTE that guests of the award recipient do not receive complimentary registration and may purchase a day pass at a rate of \$375.
5. Your nominee will receive a letter of congratulations from HPCO and additional information about the conference with a copy to the hospice executive director/agency head.
6. When completing your nomination online you will be asked for the following information:  
(all fields are mandatory)
  - Your hospice name and contact information
  - Nominee name
  - Nominee mailing address
  - Nominee email address
  - Nominee years of service with your hospice
  - Briefly (100 words or less) describe why you have chosen your nominee. This will be included in the award booklet.
  - One line that captures the key attribute of your inductee. For example. *"Gayle is known for her beaming smile that lights up a room or Dave is famous for the homemade bread he brings in for the families.* This will be used to introduce the inductee at the award ceremony."

### **Second**

#### **Registration of Your Inductee to Attend the Awards Ceremony**

Once you confirm that your nominee will attend the presentation ceremony in person, you must register them to attend the event at [conference.hpc.ca](http://conference.hpc.ca), select the June Callwood Award Recipient option and using the code JCAWARD2023 and pay the \$75 lunch fee. Registration of your recipient to attend the presentation in person can only be done online and with payment by credit card.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What if my recipient is registered for the full conference?**

If your recipient is registered for the full conference or for the day of Sunday, June 11, no additional fees apply.

### **May we nominate more than one volunteer, such as a team of two?**

No. Only one nominee per hospice, per year, with the exception of spousal partners in which case the fees are payable for each person.

### **May my recipient bring a guest?**

Yes, to a maximum of three guests. Each guest may register in advance and pay the luncheon fee of \$75 in advance by credit card via the online registration system at [conference.hpco.ca](http://conference.hpco.ca). Onsite registration for the June Callwood Awards Lunch is not available.