

Nominate Someone

for a **2023 KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Award!**

Each year KidSafe Collaborative presents **awards** for **outstanding service and advocacy** to individuals or groups who have excelled by improving the **safety and well-being of children, youth and families in our community.**

We rely on people like you to nominate those who are deserving of recognition for their exemplary work!

Award Categories

- **Outstanding Professional Award:**
An individual with *over ten years* of professional experience demonstrating outstanding service toward improving the safety and well-being of children/youth in our community.
 - **Promising Professional Award:**
An individual with *fewer than ten years* in the field of children's services or related field, who has excelled in improving the safety and well-being of children, youth and families and demonstrates promise in their future work.
 - **Outstanding Volunteer Award:**
An individual who volunteers his/her time and service, and through their volunteer work has improved the safety and well-being of children, youth and families in our community.
 - **Lifetime Achievement Award:**
An individual who has dedicated 20 or more years of outstanding service and has made a significant impact on the safety and well-being of children, youth and families in our community.
 - **Gregory Packan Children's Advocacy Award:**
An individual who has advocated strongly and diligently on behalf of child/youth victims of abuse and neglect.
 - **Outstanding Collaboration Award:**
A **multi-disciplinary** group or team working together *across agencies and disciplines* to benefit children and families - *working together* to improve child/youth safety and well-being.
 - **Janet S. Munt Prevention Award:**
An individual or group working to promote prevention/early intervention services to strengthen families, prevent child maltreatment, and improve the health, safety and well-being of children and youth in our community.
- ❖ KidSafe Collaborative's work is focused primarily in *Chittenden County Vermont*. Nominees who serve in a state-wide capacity may be considered as long as a significant portion of their work/volunteerism takes place in and is dedicated to this community.
 - ❖ KidSafe Collaborative may present an award in a category other than the nomination indicates.
 - ❖ ***KidSafe Collaborative may elect to not present awards in all categories each year.***

General Criteria for KidSafe Collaborative Award Nominations

To be eligible for an award, the person or persons nominated should be working or volunteering in an organization where their contribution actively promotes the mission of KidSafe Collaborative:

working *together* to improve our community's prevention of and response to child abuse and neglect.

Award nominees should demonstrate outstanding achievement in each of these areas:

- **Activities/Achievements:** Nominee's exemplary professional work or volunteer service and outstanding accomplishments have significantly helped to make a difference in improving the safety, health and well-being of children in our community.
- **Leadership/Initiative:** Nominee has shown outstanding leadership and initiative in developing or enhancing programs and services, and/or has implemented new promising approaches to improve the safety, health and well-being of children and families.
- **Collaboration:** Nominee has constructively engaged with community partners and has worked collaboratively with others *across agencies and disciplines* to improve children's safety and well-being.
- **Making a Difference/Inspiration:** Nominee's outstanding work or volunteer service has made a significant and lasting impact on improving the safety and well-being of children. The nominee inspires others in the field through their work and/or volunteerism.

Nomination and reference forms are attached.

Submit by January 5, 2023 to kidsafe@kidsafevt.org

Awardees are selected by the KidSafe Collaborative Awards Selection Committee.

Save the date! Awardees will be recognized at our **Annual Awards Celebration** on the morning of **April 18, 2023** at the Doubletree Hilton, South Burlington, along with a remote/live-stream option. Tickets will be available in January 2023 on Eventbrite via www.kidsafevt.org, and Facebook/KidSafeCollaborative.

Awardees will be notified of their selection ahead of time. Whether your nominee is selected or not, we hope you will join us for this inspiring event!

Please type (or write super neatly!) You may type information on a separate page if this form doesn't work for you.

KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Award Nomination Form • 2023

Award Nominee:			Nomination submitted by:		
Name:			Name:		
Organization:			Organization:		
Position/Title:			Position/Title:		
E-mail:			E-mail:		
Preferred Address:			Address:		
Home town:					
Phone (day/eve):			Phone (day/eve):		
* For Collaboration award, list primary contact person:			KidSafe Use Only Date rec'd:		

Please check (x) the category for which you are submitting the nominee(s): Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Professional | <input type="checkbox"/> Greg Packan Outstanding Children's Advocacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Promising Professional | <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Collaboration (Multi-Disciplinary) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Volunteer | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Achievement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Janet S. Munt Prevention Award | |

KidSafe reserves the right to present a nominee with a different award than they were nominated for.

Please COMPLETE THIS NOMINATION FORM AND TWO ADDITIONAL REFERENCES. (Reference Form attached)

- Be sure to **address the criteria** listed on the preceding page. Provide complete information.
- **Assume the Awards Selection Committee knows nothing about the nominee**, or their professional or volunteer work. Use a story or examples to illustrate how and why your nominee deserves to be recognized.
- **Please type** your responses; brevity is appreciated, but you may attach additional pages as needed.

1. Please describe the nominee's **activities and achievements**, volunteer or professional, related to this award. Describe how this person actively promotes the KidSafe mission to **improve the safety and well-being of children** in Chittenden County. Please include how you know the applicant and his/her work.

2. How many years has this nominee been working with children and families?

☐ Over 20
 ☐ Over 10, less than 20
 ☐ Less than 10
 Additional comments:

3. Please describe how the nominee has demonstrated **leadership and initiative** in improving or delivering services for children,youth and families, e.g. by using new/innovative/creative approaches to solve problems, providing guidance for others in the field, successfully advocating on behalf of children.

4. How does this nominee work constructively in **collaboration** with others, especially across agencies and disciplines, to promote the safety and well-being of children, youth and families? What impact has working collaboratively had on promoting child health, safety and well-being?

5. Describe how this person's outstanding work/volunteerism has **made a difference** and **inspired others**. Has their work had a significant **systems impact** (e.g. child welfare system, legal system, educational system, etc.) which has contributed to improving the safety and well-being of children in Chittenden County?

6. Is there anything else that you can tell us that would be helpful to the committee in making their decision? Is there anything else you think we should be aware of regarding this nominee? (please feel free to attach page(s))

7. Are you aware of any reason it might not be in KidSafe Collaborative's best interest to present this award to this individual or group? Is there any reason that KidSafe's Board of Directors or staff would potentially have *any* concerns about presenting this award?
(For example: does this individual has any history of involvement with child welfare (DCF) or law enforcement? This would not necessarily preclude them for receiving an award, however we would want to carefully consider the situation.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

Please explain, so the Awards Selection Committee can assess this. This information will remain confidential.

8. If this nominee is selected for a KidSafe Award, is there any reason they might not be able to accept it?

☐ Yes☐ No

Comment:

9. Is this person/group aware of this nomination? ☐ Yes ☐ No

10. We usually inform nominees of their award nomination, whether or not they were selected. If your nominee is *not* selected, is it okay if we tell them? ☐ Yes ☐ No

11. Would you like your nomination of this person/group to remain anonymous? (Otherwise we will likely inform them of the nominator and references) ☐ Yes ☐ No

12. Is it okay if we share this nomination with the nominee, whether or not they are selected? ____ Yes ____ No

References: In addition to your nomination, please provide at least ***two references*** for this nominee from people who are familiar with the outstanding work/volunteerism for which they are being nominated. Use the ***attached form on page 3***, or include letters of reference. You may also attach other relevant information about the nominee if you wish (resume, articles, etc.)

DEADLINE: Postmarked or e-mailed by January 5, 2023

Please E-mail completed nominations to: kidsafe@kidsafevt.org Or you may mail hard copy to:

KidSafe Collaborative

7 Kilburn Street, Suite 209, Burlington VT 05401

Any questions? Call: 802-863-9626

KidSafe Staff and Board members are not eligible for awards.

Awardees who are selected will be recognized at our **Annual Awards Celebration** on **April 18, 2022**

Tickets will be available on Eventbrite via www.kidsafevt.org, and Facebook/KidSafeCollaborative

KidSafe Collaborative Outstanding Service Award Nomination Reference Form

Please submit two References

To be completed IN ADDITION TO AWARD NOMINATION --> By someone other than the nominator

Nominee Name:

Your Name:

Your Organization and Role:

Your E-mail:

Your Phone:

Your Address:

Please address the following:

1. How do you know the nominee and his/her work? How long have you known/worked with them?
2. How has this person or group actively promoted the KidSafe mission: ***working together to improve the safety and well-being of children in Chittenden County?*** If you know, how long have they been doing this work/volunteering?
3. Why is this person or group deserving of this award? What about their work/volunteerism is outstanding, exceptional, and deserving of recognition?

You may attach additional pages

4. Is there any reason that it might *not* be in KidSafe Collaborative's best interest to present this award? From your knowledge, is there any reason KidSafe would potentially have *any* concerns about presenting this award?
(For example: does this individual has any history of involvement with child welfare (DCF) or law enforcement? This would not necessarily preclude them for receiving an award, however we would want to carefully consider the situation.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	Please explain, so the Awards Selection Committee can assess; your information will be kept confidential
<input type="checkbox"/>	No	

5. Is it okay if we share this reference with the nominee, whether or not they are selected?

<input type="checkbox"/>	okay to share this reference with the nominee	<input type="checkbox"/>	I prefer to keep this reference confidential
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Deadline for references: 12/17/22 ♦ Please submit reference with nomination form (due 12/17/21) or email to: kidsafe@kidsafevt.org. Or mail to: KidSafe Collaborative / 7 Kilburn Street, Suite 209, Burlington, VT 05401
Awardees who are selected will be recognized at our **Annual Awards Celebration** on **April 26, 2022**