

PHOENIX AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Choosing one of the six categories on the reverse of this form, please state clearly and in as much detail as possible, the reasons for your nomination of a Phoenix Award candidate. Nominations are limited to the Thurston and Mason county area. *Please feel free to attach one additional page of information about your nominee.*

Please note

- Due to concerns regarding privacy and confidentiality requirements, we **must** have written permission from any person nominated for the Phoenix Award of #1., **Mental Health, Individual** or #2., **Addiction Recovery, Individual** in regard to their health history. Therefore your nomination for these two awards **must** include a completed **Authorization of Release** signed by your nominee. (Please see the enclosed form) We cannot accept nominations for these two awards without the completed Authorization of Release.
- Should your nominee be chosen to receive one of the above awards, BHR will develop the Phoenix Award program materials and provide them to your nominee for review prior to publication or presentation.
- BHR **does not** require the Authorization of Release form for the *Phoenix Awards categories of Professional Services, Counseling, Professional Services, Law, Physician/Psychiatrist or Psychology unless the nominee also wishes to reveal personal information about mental health and addiction issues.*

Upon receipt of the nominations for any of the categories of Phoenix Awards, our Selection Committee, made up of community leaders, will choose the up to six awardees for 2008. If your nominee is chosen for one of the awards, we will request a brief biography and photo for inclusion in the Phoenix Awards program. We also ask that you allow us to take your photograph at the Phoenix Awards event.

Nominator (please print your name)

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone (Day/Eve) _____

Nominee (please print the name of the person you wish to nominate for a Phoenix Award)

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone (Day/Eve) _____

Nomination Categories

- Mental Health, Individual (requires confidentiality release)
- Addiction Recovery, Individual (requires confidentiality release)
- Professional Fields
 - Counseling ■ Legal ■ Physicians ■ Psychiatrists ■ Psychology ■ Nursing
- Community Support

All nominations must be signed and returned by 5:00 p.m. on May 15, 2009. Nominations will not be accepted after that date. Awards will be presented at the 7:00 a.m. Phoenix Awards Breakfast to be held on June 11, 2009 at the Indian Summer Golf Club.

PHOENIX AWARDS DESCRIPTIONS

The Phoenix Awards are designed to celebrate those who have used their strength to rise from the ashes of mental illness and addiction, and, those who have helped them do so. By honoring and celebrating the achievements of these special people in our community, we hope to reduce the stigma associated with mental illness and/or addiction and to promote the understanding that mental illness and addiction is treatable.

Sponsored by the BHR's Community Mental Health Foundation and hosted by Olympia Federal Savings, this event celebrates lives made healthier through the skills and generosity of our community.

We invite you to return your nominations (and, if required, signed releases) no later than April 20, 2008. You will find an application form on the reverse of this document. Awards will be presented at the 7:00 a.m. Phoenix Awards Breakfast on June 11, 2009 at the Indian Summer Golf and Country Club.

The awards will honor individuals in the following categories:

- **Mental Health, Individual:** Open to any individual whose perseverance has helped him or her overcome or successfully manage the effects of mental illness and who now serves as a model for others.
- **Addiction Recovery, Individual:** Open to any individual whose perseverance has helped him or her overcome addiction and is now a model for others.
- **Professional Services:**
This category will include professionals in the counseling, legal and nursing fields, plus physicians, psychiatrists, psychologists. We will recognize outstanding work that has created or improved community programs that foster a supportive, caring environment for those managing mental illness and/or addiction and those who have an exceptional approach to treating patients that serves as a model for others.
- **Community Support:**
This general category will recognize outstanding efforts to break the stigma of mental illness and addiction.

Nominations for the 2009 Phoenix Awards may be made by anyone wishing to recognize an individual or group for outstanding efforts and/or contributions on behalf of those affected by mental illness or chemical dependency addiction. (*BHR reserves the right to amend the number of Phoenix Awards given each year, based on nominations received.*)

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The Authorization of Release is enclosed as a separate page in this mailing.