## WHO CAN RECEIVE THIS AWARD?

You! Don't be afraid to toot your own horn! If you are an active volunteer doing good things for others, let your supervisor, advisor, or department head know. And if they are not aware of this award, tell them about it! If you know of a student, faculty, or staff member who is involved in community service, submit a nomination.

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Call or write:

Community Involvement Awards TN Higher Education Commission 404 James Robertson Pky, Ste 1900 Nashville TN 37243-0830 615/741-3605 phone 615/741-6230 fax

#### **DON'T FORGET**

All nominations for the Community Involvement Awards must be made through the President's or Chancellor's office of the higher education institution at which the nominee is enrolled as a student or employed as a faculty or staff member. There is a deadline for nominations each year (awards are presented in April), so check with your supervisor, advisor, or president's office to make sure you meet the deadline.

Visit the Tennessee Higher Education Commission's website at www.state.tn.us/thec

# HAROLD LOVE OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AWARD

Recognizing Outstanding

Community Service

Performed by

Faculty, Staff, and

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Community service recognition programs for higher education students and faculty/staff at the campus level were created in Tennessee through legislation enacted by the General Assembly in 1991.

In 1997, the awards were named for the late Representative Harold Love, Sr., who was instrumental in passing the enabling legislation. The Tennessee Higher Education Commission was given the charge to develop rules and regulations by which to implement these programs for public and private two- and four-year institutions.

A taskforce of institutional and board representatives from across the state is convened each year to review each nomination submitted by the campuses and to select the five student and five faculty/staff recipients. Each individual recipient receives a cash prize of \$1000, which is awarded at the annual awards banquet to honor recipients.

#### **CRITERIA FOR NOMINATIONS**

# 1. Demonstrated public service.

Public service should be based on what constitutes public service to the community as defined by the respective institution's role and mission, as well as service to the institution itself. The service should be beyond the scope of nominee's paid duties.

#### 2. Nominee's effectiveness.

An evaluation of the nominee's effectiveness shall be judged by his/her impact on individuals, groups, or organizations served. This should include evidence of the success of his/her service, in terms of improvement of communities, volunteer work programs, charitable service, and leadership roles in community.

### 3. Documentation.

So that the decision process can be as objective as possible, each nomination should be accompanied by a complete and careful documentation of the candidate's public service contribution. The nomination should be made on the basic data sheet (available from your President's office) with the community service activities outlined on the data sheet.

## 4. Recommendations.

A letter of nomination from the President/Chancellor of the institution should be forwarded with the material.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE RECOGNIZED IN PAST YEARS

- A student from Tennessee Technological University was recognized for her commitment as a companion/friend to a visually impaired classmate.
- A staff member of the University of Tennessee at Martin was recognized for his years of involvement with a camp for children with disabilities.
- A faculty member of Belmont University was recognized for his service to immigrant families in Nashville.

# Representative Harold Love, Sr.

Elected to the General Assembly in 1968, Rep. Love was known for his compassion and good humor. A prominent Nashville insurance salesman, Rep. Love also served on the board of directors for the South Street Center and the Eighteenth Avenue Community Center. He graduated from Tennessee State University and received the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

With the welfare of his community as his primary concern, Rep. Love went to any lengths to help a constituent in need, even if it meant giving from his own pocket. That is why, whenever he was present during a session of the House of Representatives, it was said,

"Love is in the House."