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It’s time to turn the spotlight on one of your most special volunteers! This is your opportunity to recognize one of those rare individuals who is consistently there to lend a hand – someone who has been vital to the success of your organization or cause through outstanding volunteer service. Most likely, the hardest part of this process is deciding who to nominate. But, do not let that stop you. Get a few others from your group together and start the new year on a positive note by thinking about who you would like to honor.

The Community Foundation and the Pledge for Life Partnership will once again join the United Way of Kankakee and Iroquois Counties in celebrating the achievements of outstanding community volunteers at the 32nd Annual Kankakee County Volunteer Recognition Luncheon. This celebration will be held April 24, 2020, at the Kankakee Country Club. This special event, originally established by the Junior League of Kankakee County in 1989, has been instrumental in recognizing the broad and significant impact of volunteerism in Kankakee County for the past 32 years.

You are cordially invited to nominate an individual (or couple) who has displayed outstanding volunteer service and who is an inspiration to others. Nominations for Outstanding Volunteers are being accepted in the following categories:

- Arts and Culture
- Civic
- Education
- Environment
- Health
- Recreation/Sports
- Religious/Spiritual
- Social Services
- Youth Volunteer (21 years old or less)

The Volunteer Recognition Committee will review applications and select a minimum of five winners, plus one youth winner (age 21 and younger). Previous winners are not eligible to win again. Only one nomination will be accepted per organization. Nominees must either live in Kankakee County or provide their volunteer services in Kankakee County.

A nominating form is enclosed for your convenience. You may also request an electronic version of the nomination form by sending an email to k3covolunteer@gmail.com.

Nominations must include the form provided and be received no later than March 20. You may either email your nomination to the above email address or send it to Debra Baron, 1000 South Wildwood, Kankakee, IL 60901. Please call (815) 304-5933 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Co-Chairs