Diocese of Westminster 'Love in Action' Volunteering Awards 2024

Use this form to nominate outstanding volunteers in the five award categories. You may nominate individual volunteers or groups of volunteers. You may submit more than one nomination. They can be for the same or different categories.  This form can only accept one nomination per category. For additional nominations in the same category, please submit them separately. The five categories are: School Social Action Award, Parish Social Action Award, Young Volunteer of the Year Award,   
St Thérèse of Lisieux Award and Ron Palmer Lifetime Achievement Award.

\* Required

**Your details**

1. Your name \*

2. Email address \*

3. Your contact number \*

4. Name of the parish, school or charity that you are affiliated with \*

5. Address of the parish, school or charity (this is where certificates will be delivered to) \*

6. Your position in the parish, school or charity \*

**Privacy Statement**

The details you enter in this form will be stored by Caritas Westminster for the purpose of organising, running and reporting on the Diocese of Westminster ‘Love in Action’ Volunteering Awards 2024 in accordance with the Diocese of Westminster’s privacy policy. We take data protection seriously. We will only use your information within the Diocese for the purposes for which it was obtained, unless you have explicitly agreed that we may share your information with another organisation. Sometimes the Diocese contracts third parties to process your information on our behalf. We require these third parties to comply strictly with our instructions and data protection laws. You can read our privacy policy in full at <https://rcdow.org.uk/privacy/>

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**School Social Outreach Award**

7. Please choose the category you would like to nominate for.

* School Social Action Award
  + Go to question 8
* Parish Social Action Award
  + Go to question 12
* Young Volunteer/s of the Year Award
  + Go to question 16
* St Thérèse of Lisieux Award
  + Go to question 21
* Ron Palmer Lifetime Achievement Award
  + Go to question 26

**School Social Outreach Award**

*You can nominate an individual or a team of volunteers.*

8. Nominee name/s \*

9. Please explain what makes your nominated individual or team special and why they deserve to receive an award for outstanding social action volunteering. Please include how you think they practice one or more values of Catholic Social Teaching in their volunteering and what difference the volunteer/volunteer team has made. Include the number of unique beneficiaries, if known.   
(400 words max.) \*

10. Please provide an example or case study (anonymised) to support this nomination. Photos and / or video material in support of this nomination may be sent to [cvs@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:cvs@rcdow.org.uk) (optional) \*

11. Has your nominated individual or team developed in their volunteering role? If so, please tell us how (200 words max.)

**Parish Social Outreach Award**

*You can nominate an individual or a team of volunteers.*

12. Nominee name/s \*

13. Please explain what makes your nominated individual or team special and why they deserve to receive an award for outstanding social action volunteering. Please include how you think they practice one or more values of Catholic Social Teaching in their volunteering and what difference the volunteer/volunteer team has made. Include the number of unique beneficiaries, if known.   
(400 words max.) \*

14. Please provide an example or case study (anonymised) to support this nomination. Please note: this form does not support file uploads. Photos and / or video material in support of this nomination may be sent to cvs@rcdow.org.uk (optional) \*

15. Has your nominated individual or team developed in their volunteering role? If so, please tell us how (200 words max.)

**Young Volunteer/s of the Year Award**

*You can nominate any individual or team of volunteers under the age of 25. No minimum age requirement.*

16. Nominee name/s \*

17. Please tell us how you know the nominated volunteer or team of volunteers. \*

18. Please explain what makes your nominated individual or team special and why they deserve to receive an award for outstanding social action volunteering. Please include how you think they practice one or more values of Catholic Social Teaching in their volunteering and what difference the volunteer/volunteer team has made. Include the number of unique beneficiaries, if known.   
(400 words max.) \*

19. Please provide an example or case study (anonymised) to support this nomination. Please note: this form does not support file uploads. Photos and / or video material in support of this nomination may be sent to cvs@rcdow.org.uk (optional) \*

20. Has your nominated individual or team developed in their volunteering role? If so, please tell us how (200 words max.)

**St Thérèse of Lisieux Award**

*“Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, or even at their difficulty, as at the love with which we do them.” St Thérèse of Lisieux.*

*This Award recognises volunteers whose exceptional commitment to voluntary service does not fall into any of the other categories. This category is open to all. This award is for an individual or a team.*

*For example, a nominee could carry out ‘typical’ parish volunteering roles like flower arrangers, church cleaners, committee members, repository, hospitality, or choir leader. Or it could be someone who does lots of little jobs with great love. You can nominate anyone who has served a parish, charity or community group with great dedication. For exceptional long term service, the ‘Ron Palmer Lifetime Achievement Award’ is another option. If you are not sure, please get in touch at* [*cvs@rcdow.org.uk*](mailto:cvs@rcdow.org.uk)*.*

21. Nominee name/s \*

22. Please tell us how you know the nominated volunteer or team of volunteers \*

23. Please explain what makes your nominated individual or team special and why they deserve to receive an award for outstanding dedication to volunteering in the community (parish/charity/community group). Please include what difference the volunteer/volunteer team has made. If applicable, please include the number of unique beneficiaries, if known. (400 words max.) \*

24. Please provide an example or case study (anonymised) to support this nomination. Please note: this form does not support file uploads. Photos and / or video material in support of this nomination may be sent to [cvs@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:cvs@rcdow.org.uk) (optional)

25. Has your nominated individual or team developed in their volunteering role? If so, please tell us how (200 words max.)

**Ron Palmer Lifetime Achievement Award**

*This award recognises outstanding volunteering over a long period of time. To be eligible for this award, volunteers must have served for at least 10 years. You can nominate an individual who is still volunteering or someone who has fairly recently (since January 2023) retired from volunteering.*

26. Nominee name \*

27. Please tell us how you know the nominated volunteer \*

28. How many years has the nominee been volunteering? (please only use digits in your answer) \*

29. Please explain what makes your nominee special and why your nominee deserves to receive a lifetime achievement award for volunteering. Please include what difference the volunteer has made? (400 words max.) \*

30. Please provide an example or case study (anonymised) to support this nomination. Please note: this form does not support file uploads. Photos and / or video material in support of this nomination may be sent to [cvs@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:cvs@rcdow.org.uk) (optional) \*

END OF FORM. Please send the completed form and any additional supporting evidence to [cvs@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:cvs@rcdow.org.uk) or by post to Caritas Volunteer Service, 46 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QN by 30th June 2024, and if possible keep a copy of the form for your own reference.

Thank you for your nomination.

You will receive an email confirming that we have received your nomination.

***If you have not received a confirmation email within one week of submitting your form, please contact us on 07525 812508 or by emailing cvs@rcdow.org.uk***