

The City of Norman Human Rights Award

The City of Norman Human Rights Award is presented to individuals or organizations in Norman who have shown outstanding effort, achievement and/or leadership in the promotion of human rights and equality, and serve as an example to all.

Please forward a nomination letter to:

Norman Human Rights Commission
City of Norman
P.O. Box 370
Norman, OK 73070

You may also email your nomination letter to sarah.encinias@normanok.gov. All nominations must be received by **5:00 p.m.** on **October 18, 2023**, to be considered. Please include your name and telephone number as well as that of the nominee. The person or organization selected by the Commission will be honored at the Norman City Council meeting on a date to be determined.

If you have questions about the City of Norman Human Rights Award, please contact Sarah Encinias at 405-217-7700 or sarah.encinias@normanok.gov.

The City of Norman Human Rights Award Eligibility Criteria

The selection of an individual or group recipient in Norman, Oklahoma, of the Human Rights Award is based on exceptional achievement, outstanding effort and/or leadership to promote human rights and equality, and serve as an example to all. Chapter 8 of the Code of the City of Norman states that it is the policy of the City of Norman that the protection of civil rights is a matter of local concern and that in order to ensure public safety, public health, and the general welfare of all citizens of this community, no individual shall be denied equal protection of the laws, nor shall an individual be denied the enjoyment of his or her civil rights or be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, place of birth, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, or marital status, including marriage to a person of the same sex. All citizens of this community shall have an equal opportunity to purchase, rent, lease, or occupy housing accommodations; to avail themselves of the full enjoyment of public accommodations; to have an equal opportunity in the job market and the social and economic life of the City; and to reach their full potential as human beings without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, place of birth, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, or marital status, including marriage to a person of the same sex.

Activities taken into consideration for the City of Norman Human Rights Award include:

Achievements – successes, results and impact to the Norman community.

Efforts – personal risks taken, time expended, sacrifices made and years of service.

Leadership – inspiration or motivation given, cooperation fostered, organizations or programs created, example set and innovations undertaken.

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