



2016 Neighbors Building Neighborhoods Awards

(formerly C.O.O.L. Awards)

Nominations are being solicited!

To be considered, nominations must be received by June 3, 2016*

Norfolk neighborhoods are vibrant and sustainable places for caring residents of all ages, ethnicities, lifestyles and incomes to live, work, invest and participate. Neighbors Building Neighborhoods, in large part, is a market-driven community philosophy that focuses on leveraging neighborhood assets, building on neighborhood strengths and encouraging residents to invest in their homes and blocks. Neighbors working together invest their time, money and other resources in neighborhood regenerating activities and programs.

The NBN Awards are an opportunity to recognize the “difference makers” in our neighborhoods -- from the individual resident, to a civic organizations as well as local businesses.

NBN Awards Criteria:

- Residents working together as volunteers to improve the community
- Encouraging individual and community responsibility for the neighborhood
- Increasing awareness of the importance of enhancing the quality of life in Norfolk through neighborhood programs and events
- Promoting neighborhood unity, communication, interaction, and cooperation
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be selected based on which nominee’s project had the greatest neighborhood impact; whether it be the number of people affected or the area size served. If the votes remain tied, the Awards Nomination committee will determine the winner.

NBN Awards Categories:

Best Small Neighborhood Business Award

This award is for a small business that serves as an asset and good neighbor; contributing to the positive efforts of the community.

Youth Civic Participation Award

The recipient of this award is either a young resident/group of youth who is civically engaged in his/her neighborhood or an organization that engages youth in their neighborhood.

Neighborhood Champion- *New Award Name*

This award recognizes a resident who makes distinguished contributions to and for his/her community in the areas of social, physical, and/or educational improvements. Nominee should be someone who regularly lends his/her experience, expertise and efforts to improve the community.

Unsung Hero Award - New Category

The recipient of this award is a person who gives his/her time, talent, and energy unselfishly, making substantive yet unrecognized contributions to his/her neighborhood.

Exemplary Employee Awards- New Category

This award will be presented to a City of Norfolk employee who provides stellar customer service to residents; going beyond their job duties to ensure residents' concerns are addressed.

Best Marketing Tool - New Category

This award will be presented to a civic league or neighborhood-based organization that has created an effective marketing tool (newsletter, flyer, social media outlet, etc.) for civic engagement.

Best Overall Neighborhood

This award recognizes a civic league or neighborhood organization for a project, event, or program that is the best example of Neighbors Building Neighborhoods.

Nominations must be no more than 500 words and include a project title or business or organization name as applicable, contact information, project overview, and address the above stated criteria as it relates to the award category of the nomination.

Nominations may be emailed to neighborhoodengage@norfolk.gov or submitted to: Department of Neighborhood Development, 401 Monticello Avenue, 1st Floor, Norfolk VA, ATTN: Michelle Johnson.



2016 Awards Nomination Form

Nominee's first name:	Nominee's last name:
Nominee's postal address: <i>(include postcode)</i>	
Nominee's phone number:	
Nominee's email address:	
Name of award(s) for which he/she/they are being nominated:	
Nominee's length of volunteering service (i.e. number of years, or number of hours):	

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