



2014 Hands-On Hero Nomination

Submit your nomination by 12:00 Noon on March 7, 2014

Hands-On Hero awards recognize individuals for their everyday work to improve the lives of children aged zero through five in Tulare County. This award is for people from throughout Tulare County working or volunteering to support young children. First 5 program funding is not an award requirement. Business owners, administrators, managers, and supervisors are not eligible.

A nominee must work or volunteer within Tulare County, and her/his efforts must make a substantial contribution to the lives of children younger than six.

Nominees' efforts, paid or volunteer, will fit in the following categories. Working directly with children is not a requirement. Any person helping children younger than six such as volunteers, support staff, etc., can be nominated.

Check ONE category that best fits your nominee:

- ☐ Health and Wellness: Primary, preventive, and specialty medical care; identification of special needs; oral health care. This category includes physicians, mid-level practitioners, nurses, aides, dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants, and others.
- ☐ Early Care and Education: Home and center-based child care providers, preschool employees, special education teachers, classroom aides, and others.
- ☐ Parent Education/Strong Families: Parent education; prevention of family violence, abuse, neglect; gang prevention; family literacy efforts. This category includes trainers, facilitators, parent leaders, parent educators, parent advocates, child advocates, home visitors, and others.
- ☐ Behavioral Health: Therapists, clinicians, counselors, social workers, and others.
- ☐ Exceptional Volunteer: Individuals who give their time at schools, churches, community agencies, preschools, day care centers, and others.

Nominee Information:

Name: _____

How many years has this nominee supported Tulare County's young children? _____

Position Title (if applicable): _____

Program/Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Your Contact Information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

How You Know Your Nominee:☐ Co-Worker☐ Employer/Supervisor☐ Parent of a child served by nominee☐ Other (specify below)**Descriptive Narrative:**

Attach a brief write up. Include what your nominee does and how it makes a difference for young children. For those nominated for efforts as an employee, tell us how nominee's workplace efforts go above and beyond routine job responsibilities. Please include specific examples.

Send nominations via fax to 559-622-8651; via e-mail as an attachment to info@first5tc.org; or mail to:

First 5 Tulare County Hero Awards
200 N. Santa Fe Street
Visalia, CA 93292

For more information, please contact Larry Gonzales at lg@first5tc.org or 559-622-8650.

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