



MEMORANDUM



TO: Heritage Markham Committee

FROM: Regan Hutcheson, Manager-Heritage Planning

DATE: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT: Awards
Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat
Ontario Volunteer Service Awards & June Callwood Award

Project: Provincial Awards

Background:

- See information below

October 2024

Dear Friends,

Voluntarism is often described as the heartbeat of our communities. Recognizing volunteers for their selfless efforts formally acknowledges their essential role in addressing needs, building trust, and creating stronger communities across Ontario.

The province of Ontario recognizes the contributions of our volunteers in a number of impactful ways. It is my pleasure to invite you to consider nominating volunteers in your community for one or more of our volunteer recognition programs.

Ontario Volunteer Service Awards

Deadline: November 15, 2024

Organizations can nominate their volunteers for an Ontario Volunteer Service Award to recognize their continuous service ranging from five to 65 years. Youth (under 24 years old) can be recognized for two or more years of continuous service.

June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism

Deadline: December 15, 2024

Individuals and groups are recognized for outstanding commitment to volunteering and service to their community.

Nominations are reviewed by an independent selection committee who are appointed by the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism.

Recipients are presented with this award during Volunteer Service Award ceremonies in their community.

To submit a nomination online, please register for the Ontario Honours and Awards Portal. All nominations must be submitted electronically through the Ontario Honours and Awards Portal. Paper copies will not be accepted. The Ministry will provide more information about the ceremonies to recognize these volunteers in early 2025.

If you have questions about the Ontario Volunteer Service Awards or the June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Awards, or how to submit a nomination online, please contact the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat at OntarioVolunteerServiceAwards@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Lang, Director,
Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat

Status/ Staff Comment

- Staff has reviewed the length of service of Heritage Markham Committee members, and no one meets the eligibility criteria at this time (minimum five years of continuous service). See attachment.

Suggested Recommendation for Heritage Markham

That Heritage Markham receive the memo on provincial awards for volunteers as information.

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Attachment

Volunteer Service Awards Tracking – 5 continuous Years

October 2024

Name	Date of Service	Years of Service to Date
Ken Davis (retired June 2024) (previously received 5 year service award)	Mar 2016 to Nov 2019 Nov 2019 to Nov 2023 Nov 2023 to June 2024	4 4 8 months Total 8.5
Lake Trevelyan	July 2020- Nov 2023 Nov 2023 – Nov 2027	3.5 1.0 Total 4
Victor Huang	June 2021 – Nov 2023 Nov 2023 – Nov 2027	2.5 1.0 Total 3.5
Nathan Proctor	June 2021 Nov 2024	3.5
Elizabeth Wimmer	June 2021-Nov 2024	3.5
David Wilson	June 2021 – Nov 2024	3.5
Ron Blake	April 2023 – Nov 2026	1.5
Tejinder Sidhu	April 2023 – Nov 2025	1.5
David Butterworth	April 2023 – Nov 2025	1.5
Kugan Subramaniam	July 2024 – Nov 2025	0.5
Vanda Vicars	July 2024 – Nov 2026	0.5
Richard Huang	Dec 2024 – Nov 2025	0
Steve Lusk	Dec 2024 – Nov 2026	0