City of Elk River
Volunteer of the Month Award

The City of Elk River Volunteer of the Month Award is a newly-created opportunity to recognize Elk River Citizens for their volunteer contributions and commitments to community service. Volunteers from all areas of Elk River are eligible. The voluntary service demonstrated should be unpaid and not an employment responsibility.

Mayor John J. Dietz, who established the recognition program, will honor the volunteer award recipients at regular City Council meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Elk River City Hall, 13065 Orono Parkway, Elk River, MN 55330.

Eligibility and Criteria for the Award

The City of Elk River Volunteer of the Month nominee should be committed to making the City of Elk River a better community through voluntary personal service to meet community needs. The nominee will be considered based on initiative and good work achieved through volunteer service. Nominations should be made for direct service, board service, or administrative volunteering. Individuals may be nominated by an individual, agency, corporation, or organization. Nominees should serve an agency based in or around the City of Elk River.

Tips for Completing the Nomination Form

Your essay may want to address one or more questions, such as:

- How many hours does the nominee volunteer per month?
- Describe the need for the volunteer’s service.
- Did the nominee start a new program, use new methods to solve problems, initiate activities, or build collaboration with other organizations? Explain.
- Describe the impact the nominee’s service made to the community.

You are encouraged to interview your nominee or get a quote from them on their thoughts about volunteerism, and giving back to their community. You can gain a deeper level of understanding about their service, reasons, motivation, and unique challenges or circumstances they face, or faced, when volunteering.

Because this award program is ongoing, there is no deadline for submitting nominations. Applications are valid from 6 months from time of submission.

SEND TO:

Mayor John J. Dietz
City of Elk River Volunteer of the Month Nomination
City of Elk River
13065 Orono Parkway
Elk River, MN 55330
Nominee: Indicate Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________________________

City: _________________________________________ State: ___________ Zip: ____________________

Daytime Phone Number: __________________________________________________________________

Email address: __________________________________________________________________________

Please check the appropriate age classification for your nominee:

☐ Youth (18 and under)   ☐ Young Adult (19-25)   ☐ Adult

☐ Senior (55 and over)   ☐ Group

Verification: To qualify, the nominee must have one reference who may be contacted to verify the scope and extent of the nominee’s activities. Reference should be a person familiar with the community service activities for which the nomination is made and should not include either the nominee or any persons related to the nominee. The reference below must be someone other than the nominator.

Reference:

Name: ____________________________________________

Daytime Phone Number: __________________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________________________

City: _________________________________________ State: ___________ Zip: ____________________

Agency/Organization: ___________________________________________________________________

Nominator:

Name: ____________________________________________

Daytime Phone Number: __________________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________________________

City: _________________________________________ State: ___________ Zip: ____________________

Agency/Organization: ___________________________________________________________________

Signature: _____________________________________________________________________________
City of Elk River Volunteer of the Month Award

Please use the remainder of the page to highlight how your nominee volunteers to serve our community (format can be either typed or handwritten). Please limit your comments to 300 words or less; however, if more space is needed, one additional sheet of paper will be accepted. Do not submit supplementary material, such as news or magazine articles, awards, or personal transcripts. When completed, please review the nomination form.

Check the box that best fits the nominee’s volunteer activities:

☐ Parks       ☐ Business       ☐ Church       ☐ Special Needs       ☐ Education
☐ Elderly     ☐ Health/Hospitals ☐ Food Bank     ☐ Shelter/Housing     ☐ Neighborhood
☐ Sports      ☐ Youth          ☐ Arts         ☐ Philanthropy        ☐ Miscellaneous