

NATIONAL AWARDS

OVERVIEW:

The purpose of the Volunteer Awards Program is to recognize and honour individuals whose volunteer contributions to Cystic Fibrosis Canada and its local chapters made a significant impact on the lives of individuals with cystic fibrosis. These volunteers have demonstrated leadership and initiative while advancing the mission and vision of Cystic Fibrosis Canada.

- Unless stated otherwise in the award criteria, multiple awards may be given at the discretion of the awards committee;
- In certain cases the awards committee may feel that a nomination is more suited in another award category and they may move the nomination to the more suited award category. This will be at the discretion of the Awards Committee.

ELIGIBILITY:

All nominees must have:

- demonstrated excellence and made a significant contribution to the mission and strategic directions of Cystic Fibrosis Canada while maintaining a high level of commitment to Cystic Fibrosis Canada's values (Excellence, Caring, Accountability and Teamwork);
- been a model and inspiration for other volunteers in their dedication to Cystic Fibrosis Canada's mission to End CF;
- advised, trained or coached others in such a way that motivates other volunteers to excel;
- demonstrated leadership and transparency in their volunteer contributions; and
- served the organization in a purely voluntary capacity.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

HALL OF FAME AWARD

The **Hall of Fame Award** honours some of the organization's most precious volunteers/supporters who have contributed in the fight against cystic fibrosis on a local, regional, and national basis for a minimum of 15 years. This prestigious award is presented to a nominee who has exhibited exemplary dedication to the mission of the organization. The *Hall of Fame Award* recognizes an individual, couple, family or business who has had a tremendous and long-lasting impact. The recipient of the award must have received previous national recognition.

VOLUNTEER EXCELLENCE (previously Volunteer Service Award)

The **Volunteer Excellence Award** is bestowed on an individual, couple or family who has made an exceptional sustained contribution of national impact to Cystic Fibrosis Canada for a minimum of 5 years.

SUMMERHAYES AWARD

Doug and Donna Summerhayes are the founders of Cystic Fibrosis Canada. Two of their four children were born with cystic fibrosis. Their outstanding dedication has resulted in decades of progress in CF research, healthcare and disease awareness in Canada.

The **Summerhayes Award** honours an individual with cystic fibrosis who has demonstrated an exceptional commitment of national impact to the cystic fibrosis cause.

BREATH OF LIFE® AWARD

The **Breath of Life® Award** recognizes outstanding and sustained contributions to a Cystic Fibrosis Canada Chapter in a leadership capacity by an individual, couple or family who has contributed on an ongoing basis for a minimum of three years. One award per chapter per year will be considered.

CÉLINE AWARD

A long-time champion and Cystic Fibrosis Canada's Celebrity Patron, international superstar Céline Dion has raised her voice as part of many of Cystic Fibrosis Canada's campaigns. Céline's niece, Karine, passed away from cystic fibrosis at only 16 years of age. At the time, Céline promised Karine that she would continue the fight against cystic fibrosis, a vow she has kept to this day.

The **Céline Award** acknowledges a volunteer individual, couple or family, who has made indispensable and sustained contributions to chapters at the "grassroots" (non- executive) level.

EVA MARKVOORT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Eva Markvoort was a young woman from New Westminster, BC who passed away from cystic fibrosis at the age of 25. She blogged about her life, family and experiences, including undergoing a lung transplant and her subsequent transplant rejection that was also part of a documentary film about her life called "65_Redroses." She left a legacy of love and made a difference in the lives of thousands of people both in her personal life and in her online community.

The **Eva Markvoort Leadership Award** is designed to recognize an individual (between the ages of 20 and 35 years of age) who has displayed outstanding leadership and made an exceptional, inspirational and/or motivational contribution to Cystic Fibrosis Canada. Their contribution must have inspired volunteers to become involved at a chapter, regional or national level. Only one award will be bestowed each year.

YOUTH IMPACT AWARD

The **Youth Impact Award** is designed to recognize a young individual (19 years of age or under), who is a source of inspiration to others and has displayed leadership within the CF community on an ongoing basis.

NATIONAL FUNDRAISING AWARDS

NATIONAL CHAMPION AWARD

The **National Champion Award** is designed to recognize service groups, corporations, companies and businesses that have a presence in at least 3 regions and have provided exceptional leadership and/or financial support to the organization at the national level. Recipients of this award have embraced Cystic Fibrosis Canada's mission and have become pillars of support for the organization.

JULIA AWARD

The Julia Award is named in memory of Julia Herbert; cystic fibrosis poster child from 1987 to 1989.

The **Julia Award** is intended to acknowledge groups or individuals who have made a sustained and ongoing financial contribution to the cystic fibrosis cause. This award is reserved for volunteers not associated with a chapter that raise awareness and funds through third party events.

MILA MULRONEY AWARD

Mila Mulroney is a longtime advocate of Cystic Fibrosis Canada. She was the Honorary Chairperson during the discovery of the gene responsible for CF and brought public awareness to the disease while her husband, TRH Brian Mulroney was in office.

The **Mila Mulroney Award** honours a family impacted by cystic fibrosis that has made significant ongoing contributions to Cystic Fibrosis Canada, through their continued fundraising efforts as a family.

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE & ADVOCACY AWARDS

ABOVE & BEYOND AWARD (Previously Passion to Cure Cystic Fibrosis Award)

The **Above & Beyond Award** is designed to honour healthcare & research professionals who have consistently contributed to the organization's mission. Recipients of this award have moved beyond their professional association with cystic fibrosis to wholeheartedly embrace the cystic fibrosis cause. Through their outstanding dedication and/or volunteerism, they have become pillars of support and leadership for the organization.

DR. DOUGLAS CROZIER AWARD

Dr. Douglas Crozier was the founder of the CF clinic at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, in 1958. He was well known worldwide for his pioneering work in the treatment of digestive disorders in cases of cystic fibrosis. His research on high fat diets coupled with enzyme therapy led to increased survival in children with CF. As a leader in clinical medicine, Dr. Crozier won the immutable respect of his colleagues and the affection and admiration of hundreds of patients.

The **Dr. Douglas Crozier award** is intended to recognize a healthcare professional who has demonstrated exceptional support to individuals or families living with cystic fibrosis.

LEADERSHIP IN ADVOCACY AWARD

This award is offered to an individual or a group that has made a national contribution to the fight against cystic fibrosis through their advocacy efforts.

NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS

FUNDRAISING EXCELLENCE

Recognizes a Chapter that has demonstrated overall excellence in the area of fundraising.

COMMUNICATIONS EXCELLENCE

Recognizes a Chapter that has demonstrated overall excellence in the areas of advocacy and public awareness.

VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

Recognizes a Chapter that has demonstrated overall excellence in the area of volunteer development.

TERRY OLIVER AWARD (PARTNER SUPPORT)

Terry Oliver brought Zellers onboard as a National Walk partner and initiated the first CF walk in 1986 which was then known as the "Moonwalk."

Recognizes a Chapter that has demonstrated overall excellence in the area of supporting their partners.

FRED BLIZZARD CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

Fred Blizzard was one of the founding members of the Saint John, NB chapter. He served as the 8th National President from 1972-1974. He was the father of 8 children, of which 4 had cystic fibrosis. A large portion of his life was dedicated to raising awareness and funds for cystic fibrosis research both regionally and across Canada.

The "**Fred Blizzard Chapter of the Year**" Award, recognizes a Chapter that demonstrates strength in fundraising, communications, volunteer development and partner support.