



April 4, 2018

Dear Volunteer,

Second Harvest is asking for your consideration in nominating a candidate for the honorable Jimmy L. Davis Spirit of Community Award.

Jimmy Davis was a long-time Second Harvest Board Member who personified a spirit of volunteerism and embodied a willingness to give of himself to improve the quality of life in our community. The Jimmy L. Davis Spirit of Community Award was created to honor an individual who represents the same qualities as Jimmy and displays a sincere desire to enhance the quality of life in our community.

Due to the growth in the number of volunteers, we are limiting candidates for nomination to those who volunteer directly for Second Harvest. Our volunteers are critical to the mission of Second Harvest through their time and energy and we want to recognize their service. It is through these individual stories others are inspired to serve and recognize their personal power to impact the community around them.

Past award winners include:

2017: Paul & Carol Hiltabidel
2016: Joseph Geletka
2015: Ricky Lanza
2014: Tom & Linda Buswell
2013: Thomas D. Jewell
2012: Phillip Michael Brewer

Please review the attached criteria and complete the attached application form and return to our office to my attention or via email: shennie@secondharvestfoodbank.org. Deadline for submission is April 20, 2018.

Please contact me via email or phone at (440) 444-0693 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Jimmy L Davis Spirit of Community Award 2018

The *Jimmy L. Davis Spirit of Community Award* honors an individual who embodies a willingness to get involved. The candidate must display the ability to lead others and be driven to enhance the quality of life in our community. As a board member of Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio, Jimmy personified a spirit of volunteerism. The board of directors and staff of Second Harvest would like to give tribute to all of the characteristics that made Jimmy L. Davis a special individual.

This year nominations for this award should come from our family of Second Harvest Volunteers. Our volunteers contribute their time and energy to impact the lives of others. It is through these individual stories that others are inspired to serve and recognize their personal power to impact the community around them. The winner is selected by a committee including staff, board members and a member of Jimmy Davis' family.

Criteria for the Jimmy L. Davis Spirit of Community Award:

- The individual must be an active volunteer with Second Harvest.
- Nominees who receive a nominal stipend for the services they provide may be eligible.
- Nominations will be accepted through **Friday, April 20, 2018.**
- Winner will be announced at the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Wednesday, May 2, 2018.
- Candidate must be available for the presentation of the award.
- The name of the winner is displayed on a perpetual award at Second Harvest.
- The winner will be recognized on Second Harvest's website, in the *Fresh Thoughts* newsletter, via social media and their name released to local media via press release.
- Employees and board members of Second Harvest are not eligible for consideration.

The Jimmy L Davis Spirit of Community Award Past Recipients:

2012 Philip Michael Brewer

2013 Thomas D Jewell

2014 Tom and Linda Buswell

2015 Ricky Lanza

2016 Joe Geletka

2017 Carol & Paul Hiltabidel

APPLICATION: Jimmy L. Davis Spirit of Community Award 2018

Nominator's Name: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Nominee's Name: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tell Us About Your Nominee: *Attach your narrative and send it along with this completed application*

Please describe the personal and leadership characteristics you believe make this person deserving of the Jimmy L Davis Spirit of Community Award 2018. Please tell the story of what your candidate has done in reference to the award. Give examples and stories explaining how these outstanding qualities were demonstrated.

- Please describe your nominee's volunteer service

Show how your candidate has:

- Contributed in a distinctive way to improving the lives of those around them
- Devoted him or herself to sustained and selfless voluntary service
- Shown innovation or creativity in delivering lasting results
- Describe as vividly and precisely as possible the difference their contribution has made: How were things before they began? How are they now?
- Earned the respect of their peers and become a role model to others

As a part of the nomination process, a reference(s) must be provided to confirm the range and extent of the nominee's activities. References should be individuals familiar with the community services activities of the nominee. Other references may be requested if committee deems necessary. A minimum of one reference is needed.

Reference(s):

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

How reference knows nominee: _____

Please send complete application and narrative to Susan Hennie at Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio, 5510 Baumhart Rd. Lorain, 44053 / shennie@secondharvestfoodbank.org