



# Award Nomination Form

## 2026 Outstanding Citizen Community Service Award (also known as “Citizen of the Year”)

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The Fairfield Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations for the “*Outstanding Citizen Community Service Award*” (also known as the “*Citizen of the Year*” award.)

**Nominations before due 3:00 p.m. February 27, 2026**

### CRITERIA:

Nominees are evaluated on the significance of their **diverse, voluntary service** over **many years’ time**, contributing to the **betterment, growth** and/or **improvement of the community**. Please note, this award recognizes **voluntary service**, therefore *activity related to an individual’s profession is NOT taken into consideration and should not be included in the nomination information*.

The 2026 honoree/s will be selected by a committee comprised of former award recipients.

The surprise announcement will be made at the **Chamber’s Annual Awards Banquet on April 16, 2026**. If your nominee is not chosen this year, please consider resubmitting your nomination next year.

### NOMINATION INSRUCTIONS:

- ☐ Complete Nomination Coversheet (Page 2)
- ☐ Attach “Statements of Support” as described on Page 3
- ☐ Return nomination packet before 3:00 p.m. on February 27, by email (preferred) to [Info@FairfieldIowa.com](mailto:Info@FairfieldIowa.com) or bringing a hard copy to the Chamber Office located at 204 West Broadway, Fairfield.
- ☐ Questions? Email [Info@FairfieldIowa.com](mailto:Info@FairfieldIowa.com) or call 641-472-2111

# Outstanding Citizen Community Service Award Nomination Coversheet

**Nominees name:**

**Nominee's occupation:**

**Name and contact information of nominee's spouse (if applicable):**

**Person submitting the nomination:**

**Brief statement** (i.e., bulleted list) **summarizing** how nominee demonstrated diverse, exemplary voluntary service to the community resulting in significant community betterment, growth and/or improvement:

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## Statements of Support

*In the space below insert brief, specific statements (try to keep it to one page, bullet points are ok too) demonstrating the diverse, exemplary voluntary service of your nominee. Include the name and relationship of each contributor.*

**Note:** *The Committee will place greater value on fewer statements that demonstrate a diverse array of voluntary service than a plethora of statements that are largely about the same activity.*

*Example statement:*

*I was pleased to get to know Jane Doe on the initiative to purchase new playground equipment for the XYZ Park in town in 1995. Jane led the entire effort including raising over \$25,000 in private donations, assembling volunteers to install the equipment on a Saturday in July, arranging donation of snacks and drinks for volunteers, and the subsequent ribbon cutting the following day.*

*John Smith, Family Friend of Jane Doe*

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