



## EXCELLENCE IN BOARD LEADERSHIP NOMINATION FORM

An effective nonprofit board leader guides the board to add significant value to their organization in the advancement of its mission. An exceptional board leader works in constructive partnership with the chief executive, is mission-driven and strategic thinking, links bold vision and ambitious plans to financial support, expertise and network of influence, while ensuring that the organization has the infrastructure and internal capacity it needs. This award will be presented to a board chairperson who has made a significant contribution to the community and long-term impact on the organization and whose leadership exhibits best practices in nonprofit governance. The Center for Nonprofit Management will honor this leader by awarding \$5,000 to the nonprofit organization that he/she serves.

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contact Information for Nominee:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contact Information for Nominator:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following questions on 8 ½ x 11” paper; observe word limits; place nominee/organization name on each response sheet; begin each answer by repeating the number and question being answered. It is not necessary to use a separate sheet for each response.

1. What is the name and mission of the organization to which the nominee has contributed? (40 words or less)
2. How long has the nominee served the organization? How long as a board member?
3. Briefly describe the organization and the board and its progress under the leadership of the nominee. Specifically, how has the organization/community benefited from the nominee's leadership? (300 words or less)
4. How has the nominee exemplified the characteristics of an exceptional board leader including, but not limited to being mission-driven; visionary; innovative and strategic thinking; intentional and results-oriented; and providing or linking to financial support, expertise and network of influence? (300 words or less)
5. Describe the working relationship of the nominee with the Executive Director/CEO and how the nominee has partnered successfully with board and staff leadership. (150 words or less)
6. What do you see as the long-term impact the nominee has made on the work of the organization? (150 words or less)
7. What other personal and/or professional accomplishments or extraordinary attributes of the nominee would you like to share? (100 words)

Return **seven (7) complete packets** including: **nominee's résumé, answers to above questions and this nomination form**. Also include **one copy (1)** of the **organization's board list** (with contact information – must include addresses) and **one copy (1)** of the organization's **IRS determination letter as proof of 501(c)(3) status**.

To be eligible for consideration, the nomination must comply with the following criteria:

1. The nominee's contribution must be made to an organization operating in the State of Texas.
2. The organization for which the nominee serves must be a member of the Center for Nonprofit Management.
3. Individuals or organizations that have won an Award of Excellence in the past three years will not be eligible to apply.
4. The nominee's contribution to the organization must have been completed within the last three years.
5. Any agency winning one of the other five Awards of Excellence will not be eligible for this cash award.

Mail or deliver your entry to: **Excellence in Board Leadership Nomination, Awards of Excellence**  
**Center for Nonprofit Management**  
**2902 Floyd Street, Dallas, Texas 75204**

**NOMINATION DEADLINE: 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 5, 2009**