Iowa Network Against Human Trafficking & Slavery

Outstanding Anti-Trafficking Service Award

Award Purpose and Nomination Form

Criteria/Purpose of Award

To recognize individuals and organizations who have made outstanding contributions to ending human trafficking and slavery through coalition building, service to survivors, law enforcement and prosecution, rescue of victims, raising awareness, education, public policy prevention, and advocacy.

This award recognizes and honors those who have made outstanding contributions to ending trafficking in Iowa by:

- Educating and training the public and schools
- Heroic efforts to rescue, uncover, or investigate trafficking
- Elected officials and advocates who have worked for anti-trafficking public policy and legislation.
- Law enforcement and prosecution of traffickers
- Leading efforts to establish or expand services to survivors
- Demonstrating cooperation and collaboration between organizations and agencies
- Demonstrating advocacy for the prevention of trafficking
- Survivors who serve as spokespersons or advocates

NAHT Award Selection Process

1. The NAHT Executive Committee serves as the Awards Committee. All Executive Committee recommended nominees are subsequently approved by the Board. Once approved, A summary of the awardees is sent to the Governor's office.
2. Nominations can be submitted at any time up to November 1st.
3. All nominations will be held until November 1st at which time they will be considered by the Executive Committee.
4. There will be an average of 5 awardees each year. If there are less than 5 awardees selected by the Executive Committee on November 1st, nominations may still be reopened and accepted in November and December in the order received.
5. One of the 5 annual awards is reserved for a survivor who has become a spokesperson for victims and survivors. A second award is reserved for an IBAT business. If there are no such qualified nominees identified by November 1st of the calendar year, that 5th award may go to a nominee who is not a survivor.
6. Only one nomination per year from any single person or group will be considered.

7. When nominating a group or an organization, the nominator should select one person to speak for the entire group or organization.
8. Paid NAHT Consultants and Contractors are not eligible for this Outstanding Anti-trafficking Service Award.
9. In exceptional circumstances, the Executive Committee may make exceptions to these procedures.

Nomination Form

With this award, the NAHT honors the outstanding efforts of those individuals and organizations who have inspired others to continue to fight trafficking. Honorees must be able to attend an award event and must be willing to permit media coverage of their accomplishments and award.

To nominate an individual or organization for this award, please complete this form and submit it with any supplemental materials:

1. Full name of nominee (either individual or organization) and contact information:

   Address:

   Cell and home numbers:

   Email address:

2. Name of person submitting the nomination:

   How long have you known nominee?

   What is your relationship to nominee?

   Your address:

   Your cell and home phone numbers:

   Your email address:

3. **(Required)** Attach narrative (no more than three pages) describing how your nominee fits the award criteria. Introduce the nominee with a brief overview of their background and why the nominee deserves this award.

4. **(Optional)** Up to three letters of support or statements from coworkers, friends, or supporters who are aware of the nominee's anti-trafficking accomplishments and contributions.

Please submit nominations to Dr. George Belitsos at: gbelitsos55@gmail.com.