

Indiana Commission for Women Seeks Nominations for 2018 Torchbearer Awards

Indianapolis (May 1, 2018)—The Indiana Commission for Women (ICW) is seeking nominations for the **2018 Torchbearer Awards**. Torchbearers are Indiana’s most prestigious recognition of women. They have stepped forward as leaders by breaking down barriers to women’s full participation. “These women have overcome or continue to confront immense challenges with courage, perseverance, and compassion,” said Melissa Cotterill, Board Chair of the Indiana Commission for Women. “They serve as inspiration for others by facing tough choices, demonstrating character, and making significant contributions to their communities and to Indiana.”

Recipients are selected from a pool of nominated candidates who have overcome adversity, made extraordinary contributions, or been pioneers throughout their lives. Selection is based on the recipients’ demonstrated achievement in the areas of their professional careers, community leadership, and/or public service. Recipients must be living at the time of their nomination. Nominations will be evaluated with considerable attention given to those women who have been pioneers, have removed barriers and/or have made a considerable impact to the advancement of women in Indiana.

Visit www.in.gov/icw/2334.htm to download the nomination form and guidelines. Submitted nomination forms are due on or before Friday, July 6, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. EST. Recipients of the 2018 Torchbearer Awards will be announced at an Awards Ceremony on September 26, 2018, at the Indiana Historical Society.

For more information, assistance or a printed copy of nomination form, contact Kristin Garvey, Executive Director at 317-232-6720 or info@icw.in.gov.

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About the Indiana Commission for Women

The Indiana Commission for Women is committed to the full participation of women in all aspects of society in order to live, work and raise a family. ICW works to ***move Indiana women forward*** by understanding the needs of Indiana women and their families and by working strategically both within government and in our communities to help bring about positive solutions. We act as the voice of women, communicating their needs and concerns as well as their successes and contributions, so that they can become better connected to their communities and to the tools, resources and opportunities needed to find their own voice. For more information, go to: www.in.gov/icw