



Fostering Innovations and Strategies to End Domestic Violence

## 2018 Celebrating Solutions and Roth Awards Call for Nominations

The Mary Byron Project's Celebrating Solutions and Roth Awards honor innovative programs that demonstrate promise in ending the generational cycle of domestic violence. We select programs that can serve as models for the nation and offer cash awards of \$10,000 in recognition of their pioneering efforts. **These are awards for accomplishments, not grants for future projects.** Recipients are not required to render any further services as a condition of receiving a Celebrating Solutions Award.

The awards are presented annually. In general, the Mary Byron Project chooses four winners each year, yet reserves the right to choose fewer. Institutions that have applied in previous years are welcome to do so again. ***The Roth Award is the 5<sup>th</sup> Celebrating Solutions Award, earmarked for programs that address the needs of a vulnerable population, and may be applied for by answering two additional questions. Please see the last page.***

### Eligibility criteria:

- The program's primary focus must address the issue of intimate partner violence.
- The nominated program, the agency or organization, the core components and primary innovations of the program being nominated must have been operating for a minimum of three (3) years (established no later than December 31, 2014 for the 2018 award year). **The program must be in existence and fully operational when the nomination is made.**
- The program must be part of a non-profit 501(c) (3) or government agency.
- The program should be replicable, or if it is national in scope, the program should have applications for individual communities, regardless of their size or ethnic population.

### Not eligible for Celebrating Solutions Awards are:

- Past Celebrating Solutions and Roth Award winners.
- Organizations other than non-profit or governmental.
- Organizations operating outside the United States or a U.S. territory.
- Individuals.
- Basic research.

There are two stages to the awards process. Stage one requires submission of a nomination form, program outline, and release. If your nomination advances to the second stage, you will be asked to provide additional information and letters of support. **Do not send brochures, videos, annual reports, or any support materials for the first round of judging, as they will be discarded.**

Nominations are judged by a panel of experts in criminal justice, health care, and public policy. These individuals remain anonymous so their ability to judge the nominations will not be influenced by a relationship with a nominated organization.

To nominate your organization for the Celebrating Solutions Award, mail one original and **two collated copies** of the completed nomination form, release, and completed program outline to:

Kathy Paulin  
Celebrating Solutions Awards  
Mary Byron Project, Inc.  
10401 Linn Station Road, Suite 116  
Louisville, KY 40223

Please remember:

- Complete **all** sections of the nomination form.
- Include page numbers at the top right corner of each page.
- Please complete the Nomination Form, sign the Release of Information and answer the 9 questions on the Program Outline. Responses to the questions on the Program Outline should not exceed seven pages. Please submit responses only using single sided paper.
- Please cite the reference for any statistic provided.
- **Use paperclips** not staples, to separate the collated copies.
- If you want an acknowledgement that your nomination was received, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your package.
- Any staff member, board member, volunteer, or community supporter may nominate an institution for a Celebrating Solutions Award. However, we ask that only one contact person be designated by the institution.
- More than one program from an agency may be nominated, but a separate application must be submitted for each.
- **We strongly recommend reviewing nominations by past winners. These are available in PDF format on our website at:**  
<http://www.marybyronproject.org/index.php/our-work/>

Nominations must be postmarked by **January 31, 2018**. E-mail and fax submissions will **not** be accepted.

**Please direct all questions, and requests for information and general suggestions, to [kathypaulin@marybyronproject.org](mailto:kathypaulin@marybyronproject.org) with “Celebrating Solutions Award” in the subject line.**

# 2018 Celebrating Solutions and Roth Awards Nomination Form

Legal name of organization:

Year established:

Name of **program** being nominated (if different):

Year established:

Address:

City/State/ZIP code:

Agency phone number:

Name and title of contact person:

Phone number for contact person:

E-mail address for contact person:

Website address:

How did you learn about the Celebrating Solutions Awards?

Brief description of organization:

Geographical area served:

Is the organization tax-exempt under IRS 501 (c) (3) guidelines or a public agency/unit of government?

Please check up to five descriptors that best apply to the program you are nominating:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Batterer Intervention       | <input type="checkbox"/> Prison based                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coalition/collaboration     | <input type="checkbox"/> Public awareness/education  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication               | <input type="checkbox"/> School/youth violence       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counseling                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter-based               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dating violence             | <input type="checkbox"/> Stalking                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elder abuse                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology/Internet service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment/training program | <input type="checkbox"/> Transitional housing        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faith-based                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Underserved population      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health care setting         | <input type="checkbox"/> University setting          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hotline service             | <input type="checkbox"/> Victim relocation           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal aid/assistance        | <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Intervention      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prevention                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                 |

# Release of Information

As one of the goals of the Mary Byron Project is to disseminate information about cutting edge programs and best practices, we wish to post exemplary Celebrating Solutions Award nominations on our website ([www.marybyronproject.org](http://www.marybyronproject.org)).

Those posted will include the organization's website address, telephone number, and email address. If you have concerns about this request, please address them to [kathypaulin@marybyronproject.org](mailto:kathypaulin@marybyronproject.org), prior to submitting a nomination.

*By my signature on this letter, I grant the Mary Byron Project permission to use the contents of my nomination for the Celebrating Solutions Award in the manner and for the purposes set above. I further affirm that I am fully authorized to grant such permission to the Mary Byron Project.*

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# 2018 Celebrating Solutions and Roth Award Program Outline

Responses to the following questions should be kept to a total of 7 pages – no less than 12-point font size. **Please use single-sided paper only.**

1. Describe the work of the nominated **program** and explain how the mission of the program is accomplished. (We want to know the specifics of how your program works.)
2. Describe the most **innovative** aspects of the **program** you are nominating for consideration.
3. Was there a catalyst for the creation of the nominated **program**? If so, please describe. What barriers did your organization have to overcome to implement the program? How did you marshal the necessary resources for implementation?
4. How do you know the nominated **program** is successful? Please site two examples. Although anecdotal examples are helpful, at least one example must include quantitative data.
5. If funding were not an issue, what (if any) changes or additions would you make to the nominated **program** in the future? What are the long term goals for your program? (We are interested in hearing both your practical goals in addition to any lofty dreams you have for the future.)
6. Who are your key community partners? What are their roles?
7. Could/should your **program** be replicated in other areas of the country? Why?
8. Does your agency have a workplace policy that addresses domestic violence? If so, please include a copy.
9. Has the agency and/or nominated program received VAWA funding? (“Yes” or “No” is sufficient)

Please direct all questions, and requests for information to Kathy Paulin at [kathypaulin@marybyronproject.org](mailto:kathypaulin@marybyronproject.org)

**Please see the following page for information about the Roth Award.**

# The Roth Award

The fifth Celebrating Solutions Award, the Roth Award, has been created specifically for programs which address the needs of underserved or vulnerable populations. These programs provide services to those who are identified as such based on characteristics that include age, race, ethnicity, gender, faith, disabilities, low socio-economic status, non-English speaking, sexual preference, and surprisingly, victims from economically-comfortable suburban areas who traditionally do not know how to avail themselves of services or who are too ashamed to find them. In general, there is a lack of resources for these specific populations, or the individuals have difficulty accessing available resources.

One Roth Award will be presented annually, in addition to the other four Celebrating Solutions Awards. Eligible programs may be nominated for both the Celebrating Solutions and the Roth Awards, but would only receive one \$10,000 grant.

**If you would like your program to also be considered for the Roth Award, please answer the following questions, in addition to the previous 9. Two additional pages may be used to provide the answers to these questions.**

- 1. How do you determine that the population you serve qualifies as “underserved”?**
- 2. Why do your clients need resources that are structured specifically for them?**