

## **City of Rainier**

### **Citizen Recognition Program**

The Rainier City Council has established the Citizen Recognition Award Program as a method to officially recognize individuals or organizations who contribute in some significant manner to the quality of life in the community and/or to community betterment and the advancement of community goals and vision.

The program is an on-going process with nominations and recipients being recognized throughout the year. Award recipients will be presented with a certificate from the City in recognition of their specific deeds, actions or contributions to the Rainier community which fall within three categories. The three categories include:

1. **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT** – In recognition of volunteer service in activities which promote the welfare of the citizens of Rainier and the Rainier community.
2. **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP** – In recognition of those individuals who have assumed a positive leadership role in the community and whose leadership activities have resulted in the advancement of the goals of the community, the enhancement of the community's quality of life, economic vitality and or livability.
3. **NOTEWORTHY CITIZEN ACTIONS** – In recognition of act/acts of a private citizen which are above and beyond the normal responsibilities of citizens and that result in a positive event or outcome of benefit to the community. Such actions include acts of heroism, significant donations of financial resources to fund community programs or projects and other humanitarian acts.

In addition to the award recipient receiving a certificate from the City, a special plaque will be placed on display in City Hall with an engraved nameplate of each recipient of the Citizen Recognition Award.

## **NOMINATION PROCESS**

Nominations for the Citizen Recognition Award Program will be submitted in writing to City Hall. The letter of nomination should include the following:

- Nominee's full name and address
- Home and business telephone number
- Nominee's occupation and/or title
- Name of the nominating person/persons
- Detailed examples of the nominee's contributions to the Rainier community using the criteria listed above
- Three letters of support for the nominee from members of the community

Eligibility for the Citizen Recognition Award Program is not limited to residents of the community. Any nonresident whose actions meet the above criteria in any of the three award categories is eligible to receive the award.

Nominations will be reviewed by the Mayor and City Council as they are received. Recipients of the Citizen Recognition Award Program will be officially recognized at a City Council meeting where they will be presented their certificates by the Mayor.

