

# Awards Team

# Purpose

The Area Awards Team promotes and facilitates the recognition of registered Members for service to Guiding and the community, and of non-members for their service to Guiding.

## Accountability

Area Council through the Membership Adviser.

## Authority

The team is authorized to make decisions that:

- are true to the Vision, Mission, Values, standards, policies and practices of Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada;
- are prudent, ethical and legal;
- support the goals and policies of Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada, Calgary Area;
- are within the terms of reference of the team;
- have been approved in the area strategic plan and budget;
- do not compromise the health and safety of Members and non-members; and
- do not violate funding source requirements.

A decision that does not comply with one or more of these guidelines is presented to Area Council for discussion.

#### Membership

- Awards Lead
- Members as required; minimum of two
- Area Commissioner or designate (ex officio)

## **Committee Functions**

- Promote recognition as a tool for volunteer retention by generating an area-wide interest and sense of responsibility in assuring that all Guiders and volunteers are appropriately recognized for their contributions.
- Process and facilitate the approval of award applications and recommend alternate awards where appropriate.



Committee Responsibilities

- Encourage nomination of worthy recipients.
- Evaluate and approve award applications.
- Plan, administer and conduct the awards and recognition of adult members at the Volunteer Award Celebration.
- Submit congratulatory notices and names of award recipients for publication in the ENews, social media or local media where appropriate.
- Inform councils, committees and individuals of appropriate awards and recognition from outside agencies and organizations and encourage nominations for these awards.

# Timeframes

- Hold regular meetings
- Submit the following by the required deadline:
  - a list of award application deadlines for the events calendar and Important Dates document
  - regular articles for publication in GuidePost

