
JCI Michigan Outstanding Young Michiganders Honors Program

The JCI MI Outstanding Young Michigander program was started in 1955 to recognize outstanding community leaders ages 18 and 40 years old from around the state of Michigan. The program honors up to five (5) Outstanding Young Michiganders (OYM).

AWARDS

The Outstanding Young Michigander honors program recognizes young people based on their achievements and contributions to their community. These individuals exemplify the Jaycee philosophies and ideals.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

It is not required that the nominee or nominator be a member of the Jaycees. Local Chapters may nominate up to two (2) individuals.

DEADLINES AND NOTIFICATIONS

All submissions are due electronically by 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2025. Notification of winners will be communicated to both nominees and nominators the week of July 6, 2025.

OYM AWARDS BANQUET

The JCI Michigan Outstanding Young Michigander program will take place on Saturday, October 4, 2025, in Spring Lake, Michigan. Information on the banquet will be included in the winners' notification letter.

Winners will be announced to the media prior to the Honors program. Each Winner will receive two (2) complimentary tickets to the awards banquet. Additional tickets may be purchased. For more information surrounding the event for the weekend, please visit jcimi.org

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please contact your 2025 Outstanding Young Michigander Committee at president@jcimi.org.

Award Category. Choose one.

- ☐ Business, economic, and/or entrepreneurial accomplishment
- ☐ Political, legal, and/or governmental affairs
- ☐ Academic leadership and/or accomplishment
- ☐ Cultural achievement
- ☐ Moral and/or environmental leadership
- ☐ Contribution to children, world peace, and/or human rights
- ☐ Humanitarian and/or voluntary leadership
- ☐ Scientific and/or technological development
- ☐ Personal improvement and/or accomplishment
- ☐ Medical innovation

Nominee's Details

Nominee Name

Nominee Address

Nominee Phone Number

Nominee E-mail Address

Nominee Birthdate

Job Title/Position

Business/Company

Business Address

Business Phone

Marital Status/Spouse Name

Children (name, Age)

Organizations and Affiliations (e.g. American Red Cross, Director, 2008)

Nominee's Justification

1. Describe the nominee's education, including degrees earned, academic honors, etc. (limit 3,000 characters)
2. List important published works and a brief description of each. (limit 3,000 characters)
3. Occupation or Profession:
4. Outline the timeline of the nominee's career or field of activity. (limit 9,000 characters)

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6. Describe the exceptional achievements of the nominee, and/or the challenges to overcome them.
7. List important awards and honors the nominee received that illustrate his/her achievements. Include a brief description of each.
8. List any quotes from colleagues that illustrate the achievements and beliefs of the nominee.
9. What are the nominee's personal goals in life?
10. Who or what gave the nominee the inspiration for their chosen career?
11. What does the nominee consider the most important quality an individual in their field should possess?
12. How does the nominee promote community visibility/citizen accessibility?



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FOR NOMINEE:

I attest to all facts contained on this form and give permission for the facts to be used for publication. With the agreement to accept the OYM award banquet on October 4, 2025. I understand that barring extreme circumstances, the nominee is required to be present at the award Ceremonies held in conjunction with the JCI Michigan Outstanding Young Michigander. In the event circumstances prevent attendance, a nominee must present the conditions to The JCI Michigan President for his/her decision on the continued eligibility of the nominee for an award. They must keep the selection of all honorees confidential until JCI Michigan makes the formal announcement of the selections.

☐ Upon selection, I understand that a headshot will be required within 5 business days as proof of my award acceptance.

☐ I Understand that if selected, 20-50 candid photos will need to be submitted by July 10, 2025 through the format notified in your notification email.

Signature

Date

JCI MI OYM RULES GOVERNING NOMINATIONS:

- Age limit effective January 2025 is 18-40 years. A person is not eligible if the nominee becomes 41 before January 1 of the following year.
- The nominee must be a U.S. citizen.
- The nominee must be present at the awards ceremony.
- All questions on the nomination form MUST be answered. Incomplete nomination forms are subject to disqualification.
- The nominee may not be a current member of the JCI Board of Directors at the state, national or international level.
- It is not required that the nominee be a member of the Jaycees.
- A local chapter may nominate only one person for each category. Each JCI MI chapter is limited to no more than 2 "Outstanding Young Michigander" nominations per year.
- A video presentation will be prepared by our communications team.
- To assist with this, between 20 and 50 HIGH quality candid photos should be submitted in addition to a headshot. These photos should depict all aspects of the recipient's life (family, career, community, etc.). These photos will be required shortly after notification.
- Submissions must be received Electronically no later than 11:59 p.m. June 30, 2025.
- Recipients of an O.Y.M. award may be requested to complete a "Ten Outstanding Young Americans" (TOYA) nomination form, for submission to JCI USA.
- All entries become property of the JCI Michigan.
- Nominees must be willing to promote the ideals of JCI USA for the year after winning the award.
- Nominees must be willing to allow JCI USA to use their name, image, and submission information in current and/or future communication and promotion of the TOYA program.
- All rules must strictly be abided by, or entry will be disqualified.

Thank You for submitting a nominee for the Outstanding Young Michigander. Notification of winners will be communicated to both the nominee and the nominator the week of July 7, 2025. For additional information e-mail president@jcimi.org