## Annual Friends of Connecticut Libraries Awards























The Friends of Connecticut Libraries Awards recognize outstanding local

Friends organizations, groups, and individuals.



Awards and Criteria:

* Friends of Connecticut Libraries (FOCL) plan to present three types of awards each year. Each award is presented in three population categories (see reverse side of this form)

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|   **Friends Group Award** |   **Individual Achievement** |   **Focused Project**  |
| Focused on the total effort of the Friends Group | One or two individuals | A focused project usually accomplished or orchestrated by a small group or committee |
| Accomplished in the previous year | Efforts culminate in the award year | Efforts culminated in the award year |
| A year that:* Accomplished major goals in support of the library and the community
* Provided new and/or innovative programs
* Raised significant money or awareness by attracting the community to the library
 | Significant contributions such as: * Lifetime achievement
* Exceptional library service
* Substantial increase in book sale or fundraising profits
* A great idea implemented
 | A project such as:* Successful membership drive
* A great idea implemented
* An outstanding use of media
* Raised significant money or awareness by attracting the community to the library
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* Nominees must belong to Friends groups that are members of FOCL.
* Award winning Friends groups, individuals, or projects shall be ineligible for the same award for a period of 3 years.
* The committee reserves the right not to give an award in a specific category or to give additional awards if merited

Nomination Instructions: Nominations must be postmarked by **April 14, 2018** and should include:

* The completed form (see the reverse side of this page)
* A brief (no more than 2 pages) typed summary of the activities during the preceding year for the Friends award or of the accomplishments of the group or individual(s) that culminated or reached a significant milestone in the preceding year. This summary, while concise, should convey a sense of the scope and benefits of the efforts.
* You may attach supporting materials (press releases, clippings, promotional materials, etc.), but they are not required. Supporting materials are not returnable, and may be used in exhibits and the **FOCLPOINT** newsletter.
* Nominations may be made in all three categories.

                 

Nominee (Group/Individual) Phone

Address City Zip

E-Mail Address (if available) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by \*\*\*Phone

Address City Zip

E-Mail Address (if available) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* Please provide a phone number the Awards Committee can use to reach you if they have questions\*\*\*

Library Name Phone

Address City Zip

E-Mail Address (if available) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Select category and population (Check One)

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|  **Friends Group Award** |   **Individual Achievement** |  **Focused Project**  |
| For a municipality with a population of: | For a municipality with a population of: | For a municipality with a population of: |
|  \_\_\_\_\_ Less than 15,000 \_\_\_\_\_ 15,000 to 25,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Over 25,000 |  \_\_\_\_\_ Less than 15,000 \_\_\_\_\_ 15,000 to 25,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Over 25,000 |  \_\_\_\_\_ Less than 15,000 \_\_\_\_\_ 15,000 to 25,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Over 25,000 |

Mail nomination postmarked by **April 14, 2018** to: FOCL Awards

 Middletown Library Service Center

 786 South Main St

 Middletown, CT 06457

If you have any questions regarding the awards, do not hesitate to call me at

860 749-9324 or write me at robsweeney2014@att.net

Awards will be presented to the winners at FOCL’s Annual Meeting on **June 9, 2018**.

The meeting will be held at the

**Middlesex Community College**

**100 Training Hill Road**

**Middletown, CT 06457**

**(Program to be announced)**

Starting with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and ending about 1:00 p.m.

***Mark your calendars. Winners should plan to attend.***

***It is always a great time honoring the winners and listening to the success stories.***