



# THE RUSK COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

## HEART OF GOLD NOMINATION FORM

Please submit paper copies to P.O. Box 54 Ladysmith, WI 54848. *Nominations are due May 2, 2026.*

The Rusk County Community Foundation (RCCF) wishes to recognize “everyday” citizens in our community who touch the hearts of others. The Heart of Gold recipient will be able to direct a gift of \$1,000 from RCCF to a Rusk County non-profit of their choosing. We have defined Heart of Gold Recipients as those people who give themselves unselfishly to serve others, collectively or individually, with volunteer acts of service and/or kindness beyond the call of duty. Any person 18 years or older, who enhances the quality of life of someone else is eligible to be nominated. Such acts of service may largely go unnoticed and include, but are not limited to, these acts of volunteerism: helping senior citizens, helping disadvantaged persons, working to improve the quality of education, expanding recreational and cultural opportunities, working with children, protecting the environment, promoting public safety, and unusual acts of kindness.

I understand that my Heart of Gold nominee is being nominated for volunteer acts of kindness. (While many people do great things on the job, this recognition is for volunteerism, not exemplary work as a course of their employment). The selection committee will be looking at the criteria as outlined by the points below. If any criteria do not apply, just leave that portion blank. Nominations will be pre-screened by the RCCF Advisory Board before going to the selection committee.

*While this is not a writing contest, your testimony and nomination will be the only item we have to use when comparing your nominee to others, so please provide as many details and examples as possible.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee Email \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Give an example of how this person shares their time and energy for the sake of others:

2. Give an example of how this person works to create positive change:

3. How does this person inspire others to volunteer?

4. Give an example of an exceptional act of kindness from this person:

5. How does this person recognize opportunities and act on them?

6. If there is any other information you think we should take into consideration while reviewing your nomination, please provide it below: