Human Rights Commission Seeks Nominations for 2022 Human Rights Awards

Nomination deadline is Sunday, August 14th

ELLICOTT CITY, MD – The Howard County Human Rights Commission is now seeking nominations for its 2022 Jim Henson and Jean Toomer Individual, the Dr. Murray Simon Student, and the Colette Roberts Organization awards. Presented annually, these awards honor individuals and community organizations who have made significant contributions to human and civil rights in Howard County. The nomination deadline is August 14, 2022.

“These awards celebrate courageous Howard County residents and organizations that serve our community through their tireless pursuit of advancing and defending human rights,” said Howard County Executive Calvin Ball. “We’re looking to our residents to help us identify those in our community who have gone above and beyond and deserve to be recognized by the Howard County Human Rights Commission this year.”

The nomination form can be found online or a hard copy can be requested by contacting the Office of Human Rights and Equity (OHRE) by calling 410-313-6430 or emailing hrc@howardcountymd.gov. Self-nominations are accepted.

“This past year, outstanding community members have stepped forward to serve, protect and stand in solidarity with residents in our county,” said Yolanda F. Sonnier, Administrator, Office of Human Rights and Equity. “These unsung heroes should be celebrated and acknowledged; therefore, I encourage you to nominate these individuals for a Human Rights Awards.”

Winners will be recognized at the 2022 Human Rights Commission Awards Ceremony on October 19th at the Owen Brown Interfaith Center.

For questions and/or more information about this year’s award, contact OHRE at 410-313-6430 or email hrc@howardcountymd.gov. To learn more about the Human Rights Commission, check out the OHRE’s Commissions and Workgroups website.

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