



Serving the Greater Rockford Area

## RECOGNITION PLAZA HONOREES

The Rockford Area Community Foundation (RACF) seeks bi-annual nominations for distinguished past and present Rockford area individuals to be honored and recognized by adding their names to the columns at Recognition Plaza on the Rockford Dam.

## CRITERIA GUIDELINES FOR NOMINEE ELIGIBILITY

1. The nominee should be an individual or couple
2. The nominee should have a substantial connection with the jurisdiction of the RACF
  - a. The connection should reflect a period of time spent as a resident or business person
  - b. The connection may also reflect a local heritage, i.e. a child who was raised in the area and went on to great accomplishments elsewhere while maintaining a family contact with the area
3. The nominee should have accomplishments that either greatly, beneficially affected the area or reflect upon the nominee's local heritage
4. Great restraint should be shown in nominating living candidates to ensure that future actions of a controversial or questionable nature do not diminish the honor of previous selections
5. Great restraint should be shown to avoid canonizing recently deceased individuals who lack a record of substantial accomplishment
6. Examples of accomplishment may include by way of example: acts of heroism, military recognition, business success coupled with local values

Applications should be submitted on the RACF website [RockfordACF.org](http://RockfordACF.org) or mailed to RACF, PO Box 383, Rockford, MI 49341. In addition to the names being placed on the columns in Recognition Plaza the honorees will be presented at the Recognition Dinner May 8, 2026.