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We are very excited to once again send your school an application for the Nancy & Robert Eskow NCJW/Essex Volunteer Award. This award was established to recognize community service and/or advocacy. The winners will each receive a minimum \$500 award.

The deadline for submission is **APRIL** IST, **2020**. Schools will be notified of the winner in the late spring. We would like to present the award at the winner's school during the awards ceremony if possible.

NCJW/Essex is a grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action. NCJW/Essex strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children and families and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms. Please note that this is a non-sectarian award and we encourage all students to apply.

Enclosed is an application with the requirements. Please feel free to make additional copies as needed. Applications will also be available on the NCJW website at www.ncjwessex.org. The link will appear on the home page. We look forward to receiving a submission from your student(s). It is imperative that your students stay on topic when composing their essay and submit their entire packet by the deadline. All applications will be considered until April 1, 2020.

Sincerely yours,

Lesley Greenstein President Ellen Gottlieb, Barbara Hauser Committee Co-Chairs



Instructions for NCJW/Essex Volunteer Award

- 1. Please respond in essay form to the questions below. About 500-800 words, no smaller than 12 pt. font, single or double spaced. Please type your name and email address on all forms submitted
- 2. Submit a letter of recommendation from your present guidance counselor or a teacher who can write about your volunteer experience or a letter from a leader of your volunteer work.
- 3. Submit a letter of verification and recommendation from the agency/office where you have performed your community service or advocacy. (If this is not applicable, please have someone who was involved with this project submit a letter.)

Deadline for entries – Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Winner will be announced in the spring and will be publicized in the winner's local paper. Presentation will be made at the individual's school award program.

Send to: NCJW/Essex

70 South Orange Ave., Suite 120

Livingston, NJ 07039

Attn: Volunteer Award Committee

Essay should include the following:

- 1. Describe in detail <u>your volunteer or advocacy activities</u>. (Consider: What motivated you to begin this activity? What steps did you have to take to accomplish your goal? Who benefited from your activity?)
- 2. Discuss how these experiences have influenced your life.
- 3. Discuss how your actions have influenced or touched the lives of others.
- 4. Discuss other interests, which may help define who you are as a person. [i.e. hobbies, work experience, honors you have received, family circumstances, (if relevant to volunteer activities)]

We would like to emphasize that all applicants must stay on topic and submit their entire application by the deadline of Wednesday, April 1, 2020. No applications will be considered after this date.

NCJW/Essex NANCY & ROBERT ESKOW NCJW VOLUNTEER AWARD In the minimum amount of \$500.00

2020 APPLICATION FORM

Requirements:

- I. All candidates must be graduating seniors in an Essex County public or private school.
- 2. All candidates <u>must have been involved</u> in a community service project or an advocacy activity during high school.

This scholarship is non-sectarian and based strictly on community service or advocacy activities.

Please type the following information:

Name	
Last	First
Home Telephone	
Email Address	
Parent or Guardian	
School Name	
School Address	
School Telephone Number	
Principal's Name	
Guidance Counselor	
Guidance Counselor's Email	
Name of Agency/Office where	service was provided
(if applicable)	
Agency/Office Telephone Num	nber
Name of Contact Person	

