City of Tempe
Neighborhood *Awards*

Return application no later than Friday, January 17, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. to:

City of Tempe Neighborhood Services Division
31 E. 5th St., 3rd Floor
Tempe, AZ 85281

480-350-8234
neighborhoods@tempe.gov
www.tempe.gov/neighborhoods

2014 Award Nomination

Award Categories & Information

Neighbor of the Year Award
Neighbor of the Year Awards recognize residents, organizations and businesses that help to strengthen and creatively build the Tempe community through their commitment and involvement in their neighborhood.

Nominations will be evaluated by the following criteria:

- Number of years of involvement in neighborhood building or city-wide neighborhoods issues
- Examples of leadership in building neighborhood communication, projects and improvements
- Examples of effort in engaging fellow neighbors in communication, projects and improvements
- Unique contributions to the neighborhood

The Chuck Malpede Award of Distinction is the highest Neighbor of the Year recognition level an honoree can receive and is reserved for those who demonstrate a minimum of three years commitment and significant contribution to neighborhoods. This Distinction is named after Chuck Malpede, a community activist, an educator and true advocate for positive problem solving, proactive planning and neighborhood organizing. The individuals who have received these awards each year exemplify the leadership, innovation and passion for improving and maintaining the highest quality of life in Tempe's neighborhoods.
IMPORTANT NOTE: Select Neighbor of the Year nominees will automatically be considered for the Chuck Malpede Award of Distinction.

Property Beautification and Golden Shovel Awards
Property Beautification Awards honor efforts by owners or tenants to improve residential properties or community areas that enhance and improve the neighborhood's appearance and make the neighborhood more inviting and comfortable. Other examples considered as projects would be properties that are maintained in an impeccable manner, as well as homes that bring joy and beauty to the neighborhood through their displays of holiday décor.

Neighborhood groups, community organizations, homeowners associations and individuals are encouraged to nominate any project they feel provides a substantial contribution to the property and the neighborhood. Self-nominations will also be accepted.

Property Beautification Award Nominations will be evaluated by the following criteria:

- Quality of Improvement – A minimum of two current photos is required for nomination to be considered. A "Before" is beneficial, but not required.

- Neighborhood Recognition – Share any feedback and comments received from neighbors about the appearance of the property, or if they were inspired to make their own improvements.
- Level of effort/funding provided by owner/tenant.
- Size/area of improvement efforts undertaken.
- Neighborhood Impact – Does the property create a more pleasant walking or biking environment or encourage more outside activity and good eyes on the street?

IMPORTANT NOTE:
Select Property Beautification Award nominees will be automatically considered for the Golden Shovel Award. The Golden Shovel Award was created in 2011 to honor those properties that are well maintained over a number of years and/or recognized by and serving as inspiration to fellow neighbors.

Alley Upkeep and Golden Rake Award
This award was implemented as a way for neighbors to recognize those owners or tenants who ensure that their alley area, from along the property lines to the middle of the alley is well maintained, clean and free of graffiti. Nominate residents who positively contribute to the neighborhood in this manner, self-nominations will also be accepted.

Nominations will be evaluated by the following criteria:

- Alley photos– A minimum of two current photos is required for nominee to be considered.
- Absence of weeds, trash and graffiti in alley area.
- Any fence or wall landscaping neat and trim.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The top-scoring candidate will receive the Golden Rake Award.

<u>Procedure for application:</u>
Each nominator wishing to submit an application should send the application form to Neighborhood Services by Friday, January 17, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. **Late or incomplete applications cannot be accepted.** Applications will be reviewed and voted on by the Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC), an advisory board to the Mayor and Council on neighborhood issues, at their February 5, 2014 Commission meeting. Neighborhood award applicants will be notified of the decision soon after.

The Neighborhood Awards will be presented at the Neighborhood Workshop and Awards on **Saturday, April 5, 2014,** Escalante Multi-Generational Center, 2150 E. Orange Street, Tempe, AZ 85281. All Tempe residents are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

CITY OF TEMPE NEIGHBORHOOD AWARDS

NOMINATION FORM 2014

Please complete this form to nominate a person or project for any City of Tempe Neighborhood Award. **One application must be submitted per type of award.**

Please select one:

☐ Neighbor of the Year Award (1 Neighbor of the Year Award)

NOTE: Select nominees will be automatically considered for the Chuck Malpede Award of Distinction.

☐ Property Beautification Award (1 Golden Shovel)

NOTE: Select nominees will automatically be considered for the Golden Shovel Award.

☐ Alley Upkeep Award (1 Golden Rake)

NOTE: Select nominees will automatically be considered for the Golden Rake Award.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: For Property Beautification and Alley Upkeep Awards, a minimum of TWO current photographs are required. In addition, a before photo is beneficial, but not required.

Nominee Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number _____Email:_____

Neighborhood or Project Name _____

Neighborhood Association or HOA if applicable _____

Nominator Information

Name:_____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Association _____

(If application is submitted on behalf of a neighborhood or homeowners' association, please provide proof of support.)

Names of others who support this nomination, if applicable:

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Tell us about your nomination:

- ☐ This is me or my property or my alley (self-nomination)
- ☐ This is a person that lives in my neighborhood
- ☐ This is a business that operates in my neighborhood
- ☐ This is a project that has taken place in my neighborhood
- ☐ This is a person that works in my neighborhood
- ☐ Other, please explain _____

This nomination pertains to activities best described as (check all that apply):

- ☐ Contribution of time, effort and skills
- ☐ Financial contributions or donations
- ☐ Other contributions

OFFICIAL NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Please describe why you are nominating this person, project or property for a Neighborhood Award. Remember that photos are required for Property Beautification Award or Alley Upkeep Award nominations. **Decisions made by the Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC), will be based exclusively on the provided application contents.** Be sure to review the criteria for each award when completing your nomination and provide complete information with an appropriate level of detail and specifics to aid in the decision making process. Strive to paint reviewers a picture of the nominee or the property. (Please do not exceed 2 pages per nomination and understand that portions of winning nominee applications will be read aloud at the 2014 Neighborhood Workshop and Awards.)

Number of Awards*:* There will be 1 Neighbor of the Year Award presented with the potential for awarding a separate Chuck Malpede Award of Distinction based on the nominations received and the discretion of the Neighborhood Advisory Commission, 1 Property Beautification Award with a separate Golden Shovel Award possible, and 1 Alley Upkeep Golden Rake Award. All nominees will be recognized publicly for their good works on behalf of neighborhoods in this community with Honorable Mention.