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LIMITED TIME REMAINS FOR STATEWIDE VOLUNTEER AWARD NOMINATIONS

Charleston, W.Va. – Only a few weeks remain for West Virginians to nominate an outstanding individual, organization or business in their community for the 2010 Governor's Service Awards.

West Virginians have until March 31 to submit nominations for this year's awards, which recognize citizens, organizations and families who display enduring and innovative commitment for the betterment of the state through volunteerism.

Gov. Joe Manchin and Volunteer West Virginia, the state's Commission for National and Community Service, will honor these outstanding West Virginians who have gone above and beyond in their communities in a special banquet at the state volunteerism conference, *Faces of Leadership*, in Charleston on July 21, 2010.

"We're looking for extraordinary people from across the state who have stepped up to meet a need in their community," Moya Doneghy, program services manager for Volunteer West Virginia, said. "These people have identified a need in their community and worked toward a solution in their own time and in an innovative way."

Any individual, organization, or family in West Virginia actively engaged in voluntary service benefiting the state may be nominated. There are no age restrictions for nominees.

Nomination forms are available on Volunteer West Virginia's web site, [.volunteerwv.org](http://volunteerwv.org), or by calling (800) WV-HELPS. Nominations should be postmarked by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31, 2010.

Volunteer West Virginia, the state's Commission for National & Community Service, is a state agency dedicated to promoting the spirit of volunteerism throughout West Virginia by enabling West Virginians of all ages to strengthen their communities through service and volunteerism.

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