



OVU National Medal of Honor Nominee Eligibility Rules



TIMELINE:

All incidents or achievements occurring during the 12-month period between January 1, 2022, thru December 31, 2022, will be considered.

ELIGIBILITY:

Correctional Officers and Supervisors Award

All publicly employed Correctional Officers, Probation and Parole Officers and Correctional Supervisors are eligible. A supervisor is defined as any rank above the rank of Sergeant. Honorees for this category are selected based on action(s) taken above and beyond the call of duty during the previous twelve months.

Civilian and Staff Award

It's not unusual for non-custodial staff to respond and assist Correctional Officers during an incident. To recognize these occurrences, we have established our Staff Award. It's also true that, on occasion, civilians have responded and intervened on our behalf, most notably if there are incidents during transport or outside details. Additionally, there may be an elected official who has moved legislation that significantly benefits our continued mission in corrections, and they are also eligible for the Civilian Award. The standard in this category is purposefully broad to allow for an array of submissions for the awards.

Lifetime Achievement Award

This prestigious award is strictly reserved for an active or retired individual with a minimum of 20 years of service to public sector corrections. This individual must have consistently demonstrated an outstanding vision, dedication, and commitment, to the field of corrections. Their contributions to the profession should be notable and their integrity should be of the highest order.

NOMINATOR ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone can submit a nomination for these awards. However, they must provide adequate contact information for themselves, the nominee, and supporting documentation of the incident or accomplishment. Consider also that the more information submitted to the Selection Committee for any of the above awards referencing the incident or achievement, the better the nominee's chances of being selected. Thank you for participating and support in elevating the corrections profession.