

**Minnesota Law Enforcement Torch Run
Steve Bikkie Jr. Memorial "Unsung Hero" Award
Application/Nomination Form**



Your name: _____

Phone (day): _____ Email: _____

Special Olympics Area: _____

Involvement with Torch Run (Regional Director/Area Staff): _____

Nominee Information:

Title & Name: _____

Phone (day): _____ Email: _____

Department: _____

Business Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Criteria for this award:

The nominee's involvement must demonstrate a sustained and significant contribution to the achievement of the goals of the Law Enforcement Torch Run®. The minimum requirements for this award are at least 2 years of participation with the Torch Run, achievement in program development, organization and fund raising success.

1. How many years has the nominee been involved with the Torch Run? _____

2. Please list the nominee's involvement with Special Olympics and the Torch Run. Please be specific and highlight activities, positions held, accomplishments, length of service, money raised, sponsors acquired, etc.

a. Local involvement (town, city, country): _____

b. State or national involvement: _____

c. International involvement: _____

3. What impact has this person had on furthering the mission of the Minnesota Torch Run?

4. Please list any other information you believe the selection committee should know about the nominee.

5. Has the nominee attended any Torch Run conferences? State Intl
What year: _____

Application due by **July 15th**

Purpose

The Officer Steve Bikkie Jr. Memorial “Unsung Hero” Award was created to recognize outstanding individuals who have contributed to the success of the Law Enforcement Torch Run on a local, state or community level. The award is intended to be presented annually by the representatives of the Minnesota Law Enforcement Torch Run and to recognize an unsung Torch Run volunteer on behalf of Officer Steve Bikkie Jr. who was himself an unsung Torch Run hero.

Selection

Nominations/applications may be submitted by an individual, a law enforcement agency or a Special Olympics program. There may be one or more inductees per year, to provide for the growing number of quality nominees. The decision as to the number of inductees and the selection is determined by the Selections Committee.

Criteria

The nominee should be someone who contributes to the Torch Run and Special Olympics in spirit, dedication and enthusiasm in an effective and unheralded fashion. Part of the focus of this award is to recognize someone who is an “Unsung Hero” at the local, state, or community level. The award was also created to honor the memory of Officer Steve Bikkie Jr., Lino Lakes Police Department and his many contributions to the Minnesota Law Enforcement Torch Run program and Special Olympics Minnesota. The minimum requirements for this award are at least five years of participation with the Torch run, achievement in program development, organization and fundraising success.

Process

Nomination Forms can be submitted to:

Special Olympics Minnesota
Attn: Law Enforcement Torch Run
900 2nd Ave S, Suite 300
Minneapolis, MN 55402

Fax: 612.333.3872
800.783.7732, ext. 256

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