



## *“Preserving Mother Earth”*

27<sup>th</sup> Annual Native American Recognition Days

# 2009

### NOMINATION GUIDELINES

Each year, the Native American Community recognizes community members and business leaders. This award recognizes exemplary achievement and challenges its recipients with a continued sense of responsibility, support and leadership to the Native American community. While individual accomplishments are acknowledged, it is the collective progress of all Native Americans that the Community Award celebrates. Awards are given for the following:

- Outstanding Community Member (male and female)
- Business of the Year
- Ken C. Ware Lifetime Achievement Award
- Youth awards for Jr High, High School and College (male and female)

The Criteria for each award

- Assist the Native American community by developing or showing leadership in self or business
- Demonstrate excellence, creativity and initiative in their business, profession or youth status with regards to and representing the Native American community
- Provide valuable service or volunteerism by devoting time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the Native American community

Guidelines: Each application should contain the following in narrative format, *resume preferred*

- Describe local, state and national level of participation, length of service, offices held in civic and service organizations, leadership positions, charitable activities, political pursuits, religious groups, chambers of commerce, merchant associations, etc.
- List special recognitions, projects and achievements including business-related affiliations, directorships and other designations
- Describe any honors for service to their profession, industry or community. Describe any other awards, honors, achievements or publications that support this nomination.
- It is recommended that the nominee assist in the application preparation for completeness and must sign
- All signatures and information on the Cover Sheet (including signatures) are required
- Only one packet will be accepted per nominee and must be submitted in hard copy (no emails or faxes)
- **A picture of the nominee must be included in the application**

Submission Process:

- a. One fully completed application must be received (in hand) hard copy only:
  - i. All received applications will be date/time stamped
  - ii. **MUST BE NO MORE THAN 5 PAGES PLUS ATTACHMENTS OF LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, RESUME and COVER SHEET**
- b. Received by no later than October 1, 2009 by 3PM:**
- c. Submit to Carol Ortiz, Phoenix Indian Center, 4520 N. Central Ave., Ste. 250, Phoenix, AZ 85012
- d. All applications will be rated by a Selection Committee
- e. Awardees will be announced by October 7, 2009

*All submitted materials become property of the NARD Committee and will not be returned*