



# 2016 ELLY DOYLE PARK SERVICE AWARD

Parks enhance the quality of life in Fairfax County. They provide open spaces where county residents relax, play and learn. Parks make a difference to people. But, people also make a difference to parks. Each year thousands of volunteers donate their talents and time to protect natural and cultural resources, enhance educational and recreational services and help the public enjoy their parks. Now is the time to recognize the people who make Fairfax County parks wonderful places! Help acknowledge the generous gifts that volunteers give to all of us and nominate a deserving individual or group for the Elly Doyle Park Service Award.

## ABOUT THE AWARD

The Elly Doyle Park Service Award was established by the Fairfax County Park Authority on December 20, 1988, in recognition of former Park Authority Board Chairman and member Ellamae Doyle's years of outstanding service toward the preservation of parkland and establishment of natural and recreational areas for the benefit of Fairfax County residents. The purpose of the award is to publicly recognize a volunteer or group of volunteers for outstanding contributions to Fairfax County parks.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD

The Elly Doyle Park Service Award is open to individuals and groups that have made outstanding service contributions to Fairfax County parks, including Fairfax County Park Authority volunteers. A service contribution is the giving of time or expertise to the Fairfax County Park Authority for the advancement of recreational and/or educational opportunities or the protection of natural, cultural and historic resources in Fairfax County.

The contribution on which the nomination is based must have occurred within the prior year (March 2015 – March 2016), but the nomination may also include accomplishments accumulated over time.

Currently serving members of the Board of Supervisors, the Fairfax County Park Authority Board and Fairfax County Park Authority paid staff are excluded from eligibility.

Award recipients will be honored at a reception hosted by the Fairfax County Park Authority and the Fairfax County Park Foundation in November and Elly Doyle Park Service Award recipients' names will be placed on a bronze plaque at the Fairfax County Government Center.

## WHO MAY NOMINATE

Anyone may submit a nomination for the Elly Doyle Park Service Award. Widespread participation in the award process is encouraged.

# NOMINATION FORM

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**Please use this form as the cover sheet for your nomination**

Nominations should be returned to:

Fairfax County Park Authority  
c/o Judy Pedersen  
12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 927  
Fairfax, Virginia 22035-5500  
Phone: 703-324-8662  
Fax: 703-324-3974  
or via [Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov)

The following is submitted to support the nomination of:

### NOMINEE:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
If individual, indicate Mr., Mrs., Miss., Ms. Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

If nominee is a group, enter name of contact person and daytime phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

The nominee is: an individual \_\_\_\_\_ a group \_\_\_\_\_

### NOMINATOR:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Title of organization, if appropriate \_\_\_\_\_

Complete address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## **NOMINATIONS MUST INCLUDE**

- a Completed nomination form (photocopies may be used)
- b A statement (maximum of three pages in length) that includes the following information:
  - Identification, contact and background information of the nominee
  - A description of the nominee's contribution, including specific details of the nominee's role, results achieved, potential for future results, how the contribution was extraordinary or unusual, and present/future benefits to parks and residents.
- c A separate nomination form for each nominee.

Nomination forms can also be found online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ellydoyleawards.htm>

## **SELECTION OF AWARDEES**

The nominations will be reviewed by the Awards Committee of the Park Authority Board. The number of Elly Doyle Park Service awardees will generally not exceed three in any given year. In addition, five special recognition honorees and one student honoree may be selected. Exact numbers of awardees is determined at the discretion of the Park Authority Board Award Committee. Individuals and organizations may only receive an Elly Doyle Award once. For a full listing of previous winners please visit online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/archives/past-elly-doyle-honorees.pdf>

## **CLOSING DATE**

To be considered for the 2016 Elly Doyle Park Service Award, nominations must reach the Park Authority Public Information Office by **Friday, June 17, 2016**. Inquiries may be directed to Public Information Officer Judy Pedersen at 703-324-8662.

## **TIMETABLE**

Nominations Open in March 2016

Nominations Close on June 17, 2016

Award Ceremony and Reception will be held in November , 2016



Why is the nominee deserving of an Elly Doyle Park Service Award?  
Attach any supporting documentation and a photo of the nominee (s) if possible.

