

## **News Release**

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## Missouri Catholic Conference Seeks Nominations for 2018 Citizen Recognition Award

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**JEFFERSON CITY** — The mission of the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) is to promote the common good in the state of Missouri and our global community. Each year, the MCC seeks to recognize a Catholic citizen from each of the four dioceses who strives toward the same goal with the Citizen Recognition Award (CRA). These award recipients exemplify good citizenship in promoting Catholic values in the public policy arena and in their local communities and parishes, giving of themselves to better the lives of others.

The Missouri Catholic Conference invites CRA winners to its Annual Assembly on Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018. The Bishops of Missouri will present the awards during the closing session of the 2018 Annual Assembly, which will be held at Helias Catholic High School in Jefferson City.

This is an opportunity to recognize someone in your parish who goes above and beyond to promote scriptural values and services that reflect respect for the dignity of human life. This person might take an active role in legislation; advocate for participation in, or improvement of, existing government services; initiate parish or community action; or respond to the MCC's calls to action.

Nominees will be presented before a selection committee made up of representatives of the MCC Public Policy Committee and MCC staff. The MCC will not accept anonymous submissions. However, the MCC will honor a request if the nominator wants to remain anonymous to the award recipient.

If you know someone that deserves this award, please nominate them! Visit the MCC website at mocatholic. org or call (573) 635-7239 for an award recommendation form. The deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. August 3, 2018.

Citizen Recognition Award recipients will be announced in a press release in August, and will be presented with the award at the MCC Annual Assembly on Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018, at Helias Catholic High School in Jefferson City.

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