



## Volunteer Houston Recognition Award

Prestigious in nature, this award honors individuals whose service positively impacts communities across Greater Houston and inspires others to take action as well. Volunteer Houston is proud to recognize outstanding volunteers through the **Volunteer Houston Recognition Award**. This honor celebrates the countless hours and dedication that individuals give selflessly to strengthen our communities.

### Recipients will receive:

- A personalized certificate of recognition
- A letter of appreciation signed by Sheroo Mukhtiar, President & CEO of IM Houston
- Public acknowledgment through Volunteer Houston's communications and events

### Volunteer Eligibility

- Must be at least five years old
- Must complete eligible service within a 12-month period (for annual Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards)
- Service must be unpaid acts of volunteerism benefiting others

### Eligible Service

- Community service projects
- Civic engagement programs
- Volunteer service through nonprofit or community organizations
- Group or individual volunteer activities that create positive impact

**Note:** Donating funds, political lobbying, religious instruction, worship services, proselytizing, court-ordered service, or serving only family members does not qualify.

### Award Levels

| Age Group         | Bronze      | Silver      | Gold       |  |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|--|
| Kids (5–10 years) | 26–49 hours | 50–74 hours | 75+ hours  |  |
| Teens (11–15)     | 50–74 hours | 75–99 hours | 100+ hours |  |

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| Young Adults (16–25) | 100–174 hours | 175–249 hours | 250+ hours |  |
| Adults (26+)         | 100–249 hours | 250–499 hours | 500+ hours |  |

## Impact

Volunteer recognition not only creates a positive environment for those who serve, but also provides organizations with the opportunity to honor their volunteers in a meaningful and lasting way. By celebrating service, we inspire even more people to step forward and make a difference.