



**American Red Cross**  
Western New York Chapter

# Western New York's Real Heroes Celebration

## 2023 Western New York Real Heroes Nomination Form

Every now and then, an unselfish and extraordinary action on behalf of a neighbor, a coworker, or even a stranger can change another person's destiny or make an impact on the community. In that moment, ordinary people become Real Heroes. The American Red Cross is honored to salute these unsung heroes.

Do you know someone who has saved a life through extraordinary action or preparedness? Now is your chance to honor them! The **American Red Cross of Western New York** is seeking nominations for this fall's **Fifth Annual Western New York Real Heroes Event**.

**Nominator Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship to Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Hero Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Award Categories (please select all that apply)

**Animal Rescue:** Presented to the family of a pet who was instrumental in saving a life, or an ordinary citizen who was instrumental in saving an animal's life.

**Blood Donor/Services:** Presented to an ordinary citizen or organization, who has helped save countless lives through blood donations.

**Community Service Award:** This can be an organization or individual(s) based on their community service. This does not have to be a specific act and can reflect ongoing, cumulative contributions benefiting an organization.

**Education:** Presented to an educator or layperson who used life-saving skills to save the life of another in an educational setting or had a significant impact inside or outside of the school.

**Fire Rescue:** Presented to a firefighter/firefighters, volunteer or paid, whose life-saving actions exemplify the very highest standards of their calling.

**Good Neighbor:** Presented to an ordinary citizen or professional rescuer involved in rescuing a person from a life-threatening situation, or who had a meaningful impact in the life of another or the community.

**Good Samaritan Adult (21+):** Presented to an ordinary citizen who used life-saving skills to save the life of another, or had a significant, meaningful impact upon the life of another.

**Good Samaritan Youth (20 & under):** Presented to an ordinary citizen who used life-saving skills to save the life of

another, or who had a significant, meaningful impact upon the life of another.

**Law Enforcement:** Presented to a law enforcement officer whose life-saving actions exemplify the very highest standards of their calling.

**Lifeline:** Presented to an individual or a 9-1-1 dispatcher or caller who utilized emergency communications or preparedness to save the life of another.

**Medical:** Presented to a medical professional, EMS volunteer, or organization whose life-saving action or preparedness exemplifies the very highest standards of their calling.

**Military:** Presented to a member of the Armed forces (active or former, commissioned or non-commissioned) whose life-saving actions or preparedness exemplify the very highest standards of their calling, or to a person/organization dedicated to Veteran Services.

**Workplace Safety:** Presented to a business owner, manager, or employee who has demonstrated preparedness or life-saving actions in response to an emergency situation.

## Nomination Guidelines

- **The deadline to submit nominations is July 31, 2023.**
- Nominees **must live in, or the action must have occurred in Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans or Wyoming Counties.**
- Nominees must **be available for videotaped interviews in person.**
- Nominees must be **amiable to promotion of this event through various media platforms** (social media, print, signage, and TV).
- Nominees must be able to attend the event in November (tentative date is November 2, 2023).
- For questions, email us at [WNYRealHeroes@redcross.org](mailto:WNYRealHeroes@redcross.org)

## Nomination Form

Please state why you are nominating the candidate for a Real Heroes Award, such as where/when the heroic event occurred; what actions and/or deeds make your nominee(s) a hero; what impact your nominee(s) made on your life, the lives of others, and the community; the personal integrity of your nominee; how the nominee lives out the Red Cross mission.

**Details of the nomination story:**

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\*Please use the last page for additional space to share your story.

**Date/Timeframe of Occurrence:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Place of Occurrence:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Does your nominee know that they are being nominated?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**If applicable, do you know the name of the person(s) saved during this heroic act, please include their name and contact information, if known, here:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**How did you hear about the Real Heroes Event?** \_\_\_\_\_

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