



Heroes Among Us

American Red Cross Southern Tier Chapter



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 Finger Lakes Area of the Southern Tier Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking nominations for its annual Real Heroes Event. This year we are proud to be able to host this event at the Elmira Drive-In! Watch the event on the big screen as we honor our local Heroes in Steuben, Schuyler, and Chemung Counties of New York.

Nominator Name:	 Relationship to Nominee:
Address:	
Hero Name:	
Occupation:	

Nomination Guidelines

- Deadline to submit nominations is Friday, January 7, 2022.
- Nominees must live in, or the action must have occurred in Steuben, Schuyler, and Chemung Counties.
- Nominees must be available for videotaped interviews in person or through Zoom or Teams.
- Nominees must be amicable to promotion of this event through various media platforms (social media, print and TV).
- For questions, email us at <u>FLXRealHeroes@redcross.org</u>.

Award Categories (please select all applicable)

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: The nominee can be an individual(s) or organization that is involved in activity that creates awareness of the importance of blood donation in the community, helps to ensure a sufficient and safe blood supply is available to those in need, and/or acts as an activist for the blood community at large. **Community Service**: This can be an organization, an individual(s) based on their community service. This does not have to be a specific act and will likely be the number of hours and work benefiting an organization. **Emergency Medical Assistance**: The nominee is an individual(s) who has exhibited heroic efforts as a paramedic, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) representative, or a non-medical professional with any type of emergency training (i.e.: lifeguard training, CPR training, or first aid). **Fire Rescue**: Presented to a person who has greatly contributed to the fire service within the region. The person may have performed a special act of bravery, provided a significant role within his/her fire company or played another significant role in the fire service. **Good Neighbor:** Presented to an ordinary citizen or professional rescuer involved in rescuing a person from a life-threatening situation. **Good Samaritan Hero**: The eligible nominee(s) is 18 years or older and has performed an act of heroism involving an unusual, significant or unexpected incident requiring a courageous or unselfish reaction in a crisis or time of need. Law Enforcement: Presented to a law enforcement officer whose life-saving actions exemplify the very highest standards of their calling. **Medical**: Presented to a medical professional or organization who exhibited heroism in their response to an emergency situation on- or off-duty, or the nominee is involved in an ongoing commitment to the community through an act/s of kindness, courage, or unselfishness in response to an identified need. Military: The nominee(s) is a U.S. service member (active, reserve, and guard), veteran, or military supporter. The eligible nominee(s) could have been on- or off-duty at the time of the heroic event. The situation does not have to be associated with the use of skills directly related to their profession. The nominee either exhibited heroism in their response to an emergency situation or the nominee is involved in an ongoing commitment to the community through an act/s of kindness, courage, or unselfishness in response to an identified need.
- Workplace Safety: Presented to a business owner, manager, or employee whose preparedness or life-saving actions exemplify the very highest standards of their calling.
- Youth Good Samaritan: Presented to an ordinary citizen (Under 18) who used life-saving skills to save the life of another or an ordinary citizen who used life-saving skills to save the life of another (Under 18).

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 to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies.

Details of the nomination story:

Date/Timeframe of Occurrence: _____

Place of Occurrence: _____

Does your nominee know that they are being nominated? \Box Yes \Box 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:

How did you hear about the Real Heroes Event? _____

Nominations are due Friday, January 7, 2022. Please return this form plus any photos or newspaper articles to:

Mail: American Red Cross | 11371 LPGA Drive | Corning, NY 14830

Email or Online Nominate your hero anytime via email at <u>FLXRealHeroes@redcross.org</u> or online at

www.redcross.org/flxrhb.