FACA 37th Annual Training Conference

May 9-12, 2017 ♦Omni Jacksonville Hotel ♦ Jacksonville, Florida

"We Are Community Action: Changing Lives through Excellence"

FACA 2017 Sonny Walker Self-Sufficiency Award Guidelines

Background

The FACA Sonny Walker Self-Sufficiency Award was established by the Association to recognize and honor achievements by individuals who, with the assistance of a Community Action Agency (CAA), have changed their lives and achieved economic independence. The Award epitomizes what Community Action is all about: "*Helping people and changing lives*". Every Community Action Agency has success stories of program participants and this award by the Association seeks to honor those individuals who have turned hope into reality.

Eligibility Criteria

The individual nominated must have:

- Changed his or her life and achieved economic self-sufficiency with the assistance of a Community Action Agency; (20 point maximum)
- Contributed to improving his or her community through Advocacy (15 points maximum), Volunteerism (15 points maximum), Public Service (15 points maximum), or some other vehicle (15 points maximum).

Nomination Procedures

FACA members may nominate a candidate by submitting the following:

- A completed Official Nomination Form (attached); (10 points)
- A Narrative of no more than two pages demonstrating the nominee's eligibility for this award and supporting material (e.g., press clippings, articles, letters, or photos). (10 points maximum)

Please adhere to the nomination procedures to ensure the candidates' eligibility. A committee will review nominations and judge each entry based on a 100 point scoring scale. The nomination packet must include the official nomination form, narrative, and letter(s) of support. If your nominee is selected, the Florida Association for Community Action will request that you provide a three-minute videotape featuring your award nominee which will be presented during the FACA 37th Annual Training Conference.

Selection and Submission Deadline

The CAA Executive Director of the award recipient will be notified by the FACA Awards Committee Chair prior to the Conference and the Award will be presented during the Conference. Nominations must be received by April 3, 2017 to be considered. The Nominating Agency will be requested to invite the award winner to attend the ceremony and *provide travel*.

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NOMINATION FORM

This official Nomination form, narrative, and the letter(s) of support must be Typed and received electronically via info@faca.org by Monday, April 3, 2017

Name of Nominee: _____

Name/Title of Nominator: _____

Agency Name: _____

Agency Executive Director: _____

Agency Address: _____

Agency City, State, Zip: _____

Agency Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **Email:** _____

Mail nominations to:

Florida Association for Community Action (FACA), Inc.
FACA 2017 Sonny Walker Self-Sufficiency Award
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Tallahassee, FL 32303

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