



Anishinabek Family Care



The Children's Aid Society
of the District of Thunder Bay

Step Up Hero Award Guidelines

What are the Step Up Hero Awards?

In support of Child Abuse Prevention Month, *Dilico Anishinabek Family Care* and *The Children's Aid Society of the District of Thunder Bay (CAS)* are hosting the first ever **Step Up Hero Awards** to celebrate local children and youth.

The Step Up Hero Awards will recognize children and youth who step up in their communities in positive ways; bettering themselves, their community and others through their actions. We want to know their story. What makes a child or youth you know special? How do they step up in the community?

Criteria

- Nominees must be 3-18 years of age.
- We are looking for youth who Step Up by:
 - Volunteering their time to help others
 - Acting as good friend, leader or role model in their community
 - Sharing and/or learning about Indigenous culture
 - Showing kindness
 - Demonstrating excellence in the Arts, Academics, or Athletics
 - Do work which benefits and helps to create positive change within their Community

In evaluating the nominations, more emphasis will be placed on recognizing children/youth who contribute positivity to the community in constructive ways and who go above and beyond everyday. This might mean volunteering their time, helping elders, etc. More emphasis will also be placed on children or youth who receive more than one nomination as a result of their outstanding actions.

Nomination Process

Children can accomplish so much when a community steps up to support them. Let the children and youth in your life know they matter.

Participating is easy.

1. Nominate a child or youth (age 3-18) for a Step Up Hero Award by filling out the short nomination form. Anyone can submit a nomination. Forms are available online at www.dilico.co/stepup.
2. Completed nomination forms are due by 4:00 pm on October 29th, 2018.



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3. Visit www.facebook.com/StepUPThunderBay to learn about other ways you can Step UP this October.

Selection Process

- After nominations are submitted, a panel of judges (consisting of community leadership and Dilico & CAS representatives) will select up to 10 nominees that will be chosen to receive a Step Up Hero award. The selection committee will select 10 award recipients by November 5th, 2018.
- Award recipients will be contacted by November 6th, 2018. Only the chosen recipients of a Step Up Hero award will be contacted. However, we are proud of all nominees for stepping up and showing the world what people who matter can do.

Recognition

Each recipient of a Step Up Hero Award will receive:

- An invite to attend the special Step Up Hero Awards Ceremony & Luncheon where they will be honoured and recognized for their hard work and dedication. Wab Kinew, an author, musician, journalist and Indigenous advocate will present recipients with their award and a signed copy of his newly released book, ***Go Show the World***.
- A chance to participate in a Step Up Hero photoshoot. Following the photoshoot posters will be created featuring each recipient. The posters will be on display at the recipient's school and featured on social media.
- Recognition as a Step Up Hero on media and social platforms to provide children and youth with role models and heroes that they can look up to.

Step Up Hero Award Guidelines/ Regulations

1. Nominees must be 3-18 years of age.
2. Nominators must fill in all required fields of the nomination form for the nomination to qualify.
3. All nominations must be sent in by 4:00 pm on October 29th, 2018.
4. Teachers, parents/guardians, family, students, employers, peers and community members may submit nominations forms.



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By nominating a child for the Step Up Hero Awards Contest, applicants and participating youth agree to the Terms & Conditions of this program and to have their photo used for Dilico Anishinabek Family Care and The Children's Aid Society of Thunder Bay marketing and promotional purposes. Permission to participate will be required by parent/guardian before prize is awarded.

Nomination Form

Please be sure to read the Step Up Hero Award Guidelines & Regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact: stepup@firedogpr.com

All required fields.

Nominee Information

Full Name:

Age:

School:

City/Community of nominee:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Parent/Guardian Phone:

Parent/Guardian Email:

Please describe why you are nominating this individual as a Step Up Hero. Whether it be through volunteering, helping others, sharing or learning about their culture, being a good friend, showing kindness, art, academics, or athletics, we want to know their story. Include any positive impacts this child or youth has made to their community (i.e. volunteering, teamwork), why the child or youth is a good role model (i.e. actions, passions, behaviour) and any other personal achievements. Be specific!

Nominator Information

Full Name:

Daytime Phone:

Evening/Cell:

Email:

Association with nominee: