## LOS ANGELES COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH AWARD DESCRIPTIONS

**OVERVIEW:** The Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council is pleased to recognize the outstanding and remarkable work performed in Los Angeles County by individuals and agencies in the field of domestic violence. In October of this year, we will be presenting a total of four (4) awards: The Betty Fisher Award, The Award for Excellence in Service, The Award for Excellence in Volunteer Service and The Award for Excellence in Public Service. Explanations of the awards and the criteria are provided below.

## **Betty Fisher Award:**

Betty Fisher was a pioneer in the domestic violence field. She worked tirelessly on multiple fronts to advance the safety and security of those impacted by domestic violence. In her honor, and in honor of the work being done in our community, the Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council presents the Betty Fisher Award to an individual or agency who demonstrates outstanding commitment and dedication to domestic violence prevention and/or intervention.

<u>Criteria for the Betty Fisher Award</u>: Persons/Agencies eligible for the Betty Fisher Award must provide services or advocacy within the County of Los Angeles. Persons/Agencies in both the private and public sector are eligible for this award. To be eligible for this award, the person/agency must demonstrate a level of commitment and dedication that exceeds their day-to-day responsibilities and/or reflects a long-term sustained commitment to addressing domestic violence beyond their individual needs or the needs of their individual agency/office. When completing a nomination in this category, please provide details that indicate how the individual or agency meets these conditions.

## **Recognition Awards:**

The <u>Award for Excellence in Service</u> recognizes outstanding efforts in the prevention of and/or intervention in domestic violence in Los Angeles County. This award is presented to an individual who is employed, or has been employed within the last 12 months, in any capacity within the domestic violence field or in a position that allows them to perform this work.

<u>Criteria</u>: Persons eligible for this award must provide services in Los Angeles County. Persons eligible for this award must be employed, or employed within the last 12 months, in any capacity on a full-time, part-time or as-needed basis in the domestic violence field or in a position that allows them to perform this work in a non-volunteer, non-public sector capacity. Persons eligible for this Award include those working with victims/survivors of domestic violence or abuse, persons with lived experience and/or persons or agencies working with persons who commit or have committed acts of domestic violence or abuse.

The <u>Award for Excellence in Volunteer Service</u> recognizes outstanding dedication to the prevention of and/or intervention in domestic violence by someone serving in a volunteer capacity for an agency that provides domestic violence services or as an advocate for prevention or intervention of domestic violence in Los Angeles County.

<u>Criteria</u>: Persons eligible for this award must provide services in Los Angeles County. Persons eligible for this award must volunteer in the domestic violence field or in a position that allows them to perform this work in a volunteer capacity. Persons eligible for this award include those volunteering with victims/survivors of domestic violence or abuse, persons with lived experience and/or persons or agencies volunteering with persons who commit or have committed acts of domestic violence or abuse.

The <u>Award for Excellence in Public Service</u> recognizes outstanding work in domestic violence prevention and/or intervention to a person working in or on behalf of the public sector in Los Angeles County, such as elected officials or their staff, judges or court staff, law enforcement, prosecutors, employees of the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Public Health, the Department of Mental Health, other Federal, State, County or City Departments or Divisions, persons with lived experience or other public sector employees or advocates.

<u>Criteria</u>: Persons eligible for this award must provide services in Los Angeles County and must work, volunteer or focus their advocacy in the public sector. Their work or advocacy must involve the prevention and/or intervention of domestic violence. Persons eligible for this award include those working with victims/survivors of domestic violence or abuse, persons with lived experience and/or those working with persons who commit or have committed acts of domestic violence or abuse.

**PLEASE NOTE**: The Awards Committee reserves the right to consider a nomination for any other award if they believe that the person/agency nominated is more appropriately recognized by a different award. Please do not nominate one individual/agency for multiple awards.

Completed nomination forms must be sent to Jolene Cooper at <a href="mailto:icooper@ph.lacounty.gov">icooper@ph.lacounty.gov</a>
NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. (PDT) on AUGUST 26, 2020

If you are unable to send the completed form by email, please email Ms. Cooper <u>prior</u> to the nomination deadline or leave voicemail at 626-293-2920.

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| ☐ Betty Fisher Award   | ☐ Award for Excellence in        |  |
|  | Volunteer Service (Volunteer)    |  |
| ☐ Award for Excellence in Service  |                                  |  |
| ( <u>Employee</u> )  | ☐ Award for Excellence in Public |  |
|  | Service (Public Sector)          |  |
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| Your name and contact Information:   |                                  |  |
| First and Last Name  |                                  |  |
| Email Address  |                                  |  |
| Phone Number   |                                  |  |
| Name and associated organization of the nominee:                                       |                                  |  |
| First and Last Name  |                                  |  |
| Organization   |                                  |  |

| Please explain why you feel this person should receive this award (including a description of your connection to the nominee). Please include facts and/or details tha support the nomination. |  |  |
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