

Call for Nominations

2010 Richard E. Cone Award for Excellence & Leadership in Cultivating Community Partnerships in Higher Education

Deadline for Receipt of Nominations:

No later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2009



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Honoring Dr. Richard E. Cone



Dr. Richard E. Cone (simply and fondly called “Dick” by his colleagues) has been a voice in the national dialogue on experiential education, civic engagement and service-learning since the 1970s, and has provided a guiding spirit and voice in the development and evolution of California Campus Compact since its beginnings more than 20 years ago.

For 25 years, Dick Cone directed the much-lauded Joint Educational Project (JEP) at the University of Southern California from which he retired in 2002. During his tenure at JEP, Dick Cone demonstrated extraordinary leadership, commitment and success in engaging the University of Southern California as a partner in meeting the needs of schools and communities adjoining the campus. In 2000, JEP was featured by *Time* magazine, which selected the University of Southern California as “College of the Year” because of the “remarkable bonds the university ... forged with local schools.” While Dick Cone’s focus was always on the benefits for students and communities in bringing communities and campuses in partnership with each other, recognition of his work through JEP informed a larger audience about engaged institutions and pedagogies for learning through service to communities.

Dick Cone has been praised by the University of Southern California as “a visionary whose leadership and dedication to public service have made it possible for tens of thousands of students to serve their communities and to put into practice concepts they learned in the classroom.”

In 1999, California Campus Compact presented Dick Cone with the first Richard E. Cone Award for Excellence & Leadership in Cultivating Community Partnerships in Higher Education. Since then, the award has been bestowed annually upon an individual who has made significant contributions to the development of partnerships between institutions of higher education and communities – partnerships through which student learning and the quality of life in communities are simultaneously improved.

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California Campus Compact is pleased to call for nominations for the 2010 Richard E. Cone Award for Excellence & Leadership in Cultivating Community Partnerships in Higher Education.

Background

The Richard E. Cone Award recognizes an individual whose work is guided by the best practices of community-campus partnerships and who seeks to ensure these practices become a part of the life of their home institution. It is the hope of California Campus Compact that this award will inspire all higher education institutions to consider ways to deepen their efforts to institutionalize and sustain authentic community-campus partnerships.

California Campus Compact urges all of its member institutions to identify someone on their campus whose work embodies the vision and value of community-campus partnerships. California Campus Compact recognizes that the development of high-quality, authentic partnerships requires vision and leadership, perseverance, commitment, integrity and creativity in forming mutually beneficial collaborations between community and campus. Honoring an individual who demonstrates the qualities sought by the Richard E. Cone Award is important for its own sake, but also serves to reinforce the vision of the “engaged institution” and the importance of community partnerships to the field of service-learning and civic engagement. As it often has been said, a community’s character is reflected in the people it selects to honor.

“A university is what it rewards its people for being.”
—James Joseph, Professor of the Practice of Public Policy Studies at Duke University, former Chair of the Corporation for National Service

Selection Criteria

Candidates for the Richard E. Cone Award must be nominated by a colleague and be employees of 2009-2010 California Campus Compact member institutions. Candidates also should possess the following:

- (a) Experience in coordinating high-quality community-campus partnership programs that have involved different academic disciplines and/or institutional departments, such as academic affairs, student affairs and teaching and learning centers. Such experience may include creating or cultivating community-service projects, creating or maintaining multiple service-learning opportunities for students and/or nurturing other service-learning leaders on campus. Nominators may wish to consider how the nominee has helped encourage a campus climate that is conducive to service-learning through modeling the values of democratic civic engagement.
- (b) Ability to affect sustained institutional change. Evidence may include demonstrated leadership in promoting service-learning and community engagement on one’s campus, in the community and within higher education. High-quality applications will demonstrate support from all facets of a community-campus partnership, including community partners, campus administrators, faculty, students and staff. (Questions nominees may wish to address include: How did the nominee gain support in the community and on the campus? How have these practices been sustained over time? Has this person helped cultivate other service-learning leaders and advocates on campus? How has this work transformed the institution overall?)

(c) Ability to impact and partner with the community, including evidence of new and long-term, enduring partnerships with community entities based on relationships that evolve over time. Documentation of this ability may include articles (newspaper, magazine or journal), community responses (letters of appreciation), media events and student endorsements and/or evaluations. (Questions nominees may wish to address include: How was the community impacted by the campus's engagement? How were community agencies able to collaborate with the candidate in order to influence the direction of the partnership? How has the partnership grown over time? In an effort to strengthen community networks locally, has the candidate helped deepen the connections among community partners [e.g., providing networking opportunities or other relationship-building activities for all partners connected with the higher education institution to get to know one another])?

(d) Experience in the field of service-learning and/or community-campus partnerships, including strengthening the field in California and throughout higher education more broadly (e.g., sharing best practices via participation in regional networks, fulfilling leadership and supportive roles in state-wide and national service-learning associations, participating in conferences and workshops, convening practitioners, writing and speaking in professional forums and mentoring others).

Nomination Materials

California Campus Compact asks for your cooperation in meeting the nomination materials requirements so that nominations can be reviewed expeditiously. For the nominee to be eligible for the award, nomination materials must meet all of the requirements outlined on page three of the Call for Nominations. Beyond eligibility, a compelling nomination will be comprised of materials that

demonstrate evidence for each of the selection criteria described on pages two and three of the Call for Nominations.

Required nomination materials include the following:

1. A letter of nomination from a colleague, addressing as many of the selection criteria as possible (not to exceed three pages).

2. A letter of support from a community partner, also addressing as many of the selection criteria as possible, with an endorsement of the candidate's efforts to coordinate community-campus partnerships using community service or service-learning (not to exceed three pages).

3. A resume or curriculum vitae of the nominee (not to exceed ten pages).

4. Supplementary materials up to ten pages in length (single sided) may be submitted to support the nomination, including letters or testimonials from key stakeholders (e.g., students, campus administrators and deans, faculty and community partners), awards, news clippings, annual reports, summary of program impact (qualitative or quantitative data), pamphlets and journal articles. If the supplementary materials exceed ten pages in length, California Campus Compact reserves the right to select which ten pages out of the total to review. Please do not submit audiotapes or videotapes, display materials, films or scrapbooks, as California Campus Compact is not able to review them, and cannot guarantee that these materials will be returned. If mailing hard copies, the accompanying materials must be no larger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches.

All nomination materials become the property of California Campus Compact and will not be returned.

Submission Options and Deadline

In the interest of helping to protect the environment, California Campus Compact is allowing three options for submission:

- (1) Mail or deliver **ONE** CD that contains **ONE** PDF file of **ALL** application materials (letters, CV and supplementary materials);
- (2) Email **ONE** PDF file that includes **ALL** application materials (letters, CV and supplementary materials) to Piper McGinley (piper@cacampuscompact.org); or
- (3) If the file is too large to email directly to Piper McGinley, please use www.yousendit.com to upload **ONE** PDF file that includes **ALL** application materials (letters, CV and supplementary materials) and email the file, using www.yousendit.com, to Piper McGinley (piper@cacampuscompact.org). Yousendit.com is an online service that allows users to email one large file (up to 2 GB) free of charge. You do not have to sign up or pay a fee. Just upload your document and email it, using the “try sending now” section on yousendit.com’s homepage.

Nominations must be received in hand (not postmarked) by no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2009. Any submissions received after 4 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2009, will not be considered. California Campus Compact staff will confirm (via email) receipt of all submissions by no later than Friday, November 20, 2009.

Send nominations and supporting materials via regular or overnight mail to:

California Campus Compact
Attn: 2010 Richard E. Cone Award
2001 Junipero Serra Boulevard
Pacific Plaza, Suite 750
Daly City, California 94014

Announcement and Recognition of Award Recipient

The recipient of the 2010 Richard E. Cone Award will be notified by no later than the last week of January 2010. California Campus Compact will work with the recipient and his or her home institution to select a date and venue on the recipient’s home campus at which to present the award and celebrate the achievements of the award recipient with his or her nominators and supporters.

In recognition of his or her achievement and contribution to the field, the recipient of the 2010 Richard E. Cone Award will receive an honorary plaque and a stipend of \$500 for personal and professional enrichment.

For More Information

For questions regarding the 2010 Richard E. Cone Award, please contact Piper McGinley at California Campus Compact by e-mail (piper@cacampuscompact.org) or by phone (415-405-7577).

Additional copies of this Call for Nominations are available for download at www.cacampuscompact.org.

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Past Honorees

Past recipients of the Richard E. Cone Award include the following distinguished colleagues:

1999

Richard E. Cone
Director (retired), Joint Educational Project
University of Southern California

2000

Chris Fiorentino
Director, Students for Community Service
California State University, Fresno

2001

Judy Rauner
Director (former), Office of Community
Service Learning
University of San Diego

Maureen Rubin
Founding Director, Center for Community
Service Learning
California State University, Northridge

2002

Annie Bolick-Floss
Executive Director, Youth Educational Services
Humboldt State University

2003

Nadinne Cruz
Director (former), Haas Center for Public Service
Stanford University

2004

José Calderon
Associate Professor, Sociology and Chicano Studies
Pitzer College

Kathy O'Byrne
Director, Center for Community Learning
University of California, Los Angeles

2005

Tony Mueller
Director, Community Service Learning
University of Redlands

2006

Julie Fox
Coordinator of Service Learning,
Office of Service Learning
California State University, Stanislaus

2007

Carol Wilkinson
Service Learning Coordinator,
Department of Student Services
MiraCosta College

2009

Kevin Grumbach
Professor and Chair,
Department of Family and Community Medicine
University of California, San Francisco