

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
FOR THE
2017 GOVERNOR'S VICTIM ASSISTANCE AWARDS**

The Governor's Victim Assistance Awards will be presented on Friday, April 7, 2017 at the Annual Victim's Rights Conference. The Governor will present three awards, The Mahoney, Gleim and Roper Awards, to individuals located in both the public and private sector that have demonstrated outstanding performance in providing services and support to Maryland's victims of crime during the 2016 calendar year (January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016).

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2017

AWARD CATEGORIES:

VIRGINIA MAHONEY AWARD

In honor of Ginny Mahoney, the Maryland State Board of Victim Services will recognize an outstanding leader who has set the standard for excellence and professionalism in the field of victim services. This award will recognize one prominent state leader or high-ranking official who has epitomized true leadership in support of victim rights. Only one nominee will be selected.

HENRY GLEIM MEMORIAL AWARD

In memory of Henry Gleim, an unsung hero who gave unselfishly, generously, courageously and with hope for those who walk in the path of victimization. This award recognizes outstanding services to crime victims and those who work to serve them. Only one nominee will be selected.

VINCENT ROPER MEMORIAL AWARD

In honor of Vincent Roper, who dedicated his life to making a difference for all crime victims. His countless contributions revolutionized victims' rights. This award recognizes outstanding work to secure crime victim justice for all in a quiet and selfless manner. Only one nominee will be selected.

NOMINATION CRITERIA:

- Anyone may submit a nomination and more than one nomination is permissible.
- Outstanding investigative efforts or crime prevention programs are not eligible for consideration, as they do not fall within the purview of these awards.
- Individuals and/or organizations are **not** eligible if they have been a recipient of the **same award** within the **last five years**.
- Nominations that are vague or lack sufficient detail to support a candidate will not be considered.

TO APPLY:

- Complete the attached Nomination Form. Make sure you have indicated the award for which your nominee is being considered (Virginia Mahoney, Henry Gleim Memorial or

Vincent Roper Memorial Award)

- Submit a narrative as to why your nominee should receive the award, not to exceed one (1) 8 x 11 single or double-spaced typed page (12 pt. font, Times New Roman). The nomination must specify the particular victim assistance/victim advocacy activities performed by the individual, and why you feel they deserve special recognition. You may mention any other awards or recognition received. It is recommended that nominations be written in a clear, concise manner so that the individual's accomplishments are easily determined and extracted when read by the Maryland State Board of Victim Services members serving on the Governor's Victim Assistance Awards Committee Review Panel. Again, it is necessary to provide detailed information referencing the nomination of the person(s) you wish to be considered for this award.
- Each nomination MUST be accompanied by a 75-word summary of the narrative, which may, in part, be read if your nominee is selected.
- Your packet must consist of:
 - Nomination Form
 - Narrative (not to exceed 1 page)
 - Summary (not to exceed 75 words)
- Submit nominations via email to Kimberly Herndon, Director of Victim Services, at Kimberly.Herndon@maryland.gov to be considered by the Award's Review Committee.
 - Please contact Kimberly Herndon at 410-697-9312 or by email should you have any questions or if you do not receive confirmation of your nomination submission.