



2021 Tony Gobar Outstanding  
Juvenile Justice Specialist Award  
Nomination

Through this award, named in honor of the late Tony Gobar, a long-time Juvenile Justice Specialist from Mississippi, the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) recognizes a state Juvenile Justice Specialist who has exemplified excellence in service to others; has been dedicated and committed to improving the juvenile justice system; and has demonstrated compassion and concern for juveniles and advocates.

To be eligible, the nominee must either be a current Juvenile Justice Specialist or have been out of the position of Juvenile Justice Specialist no more than 5 years.

**Nominees should demonstrate the following characteristics:**

- Excellence in service to others
- Dedication and commitment to improving the juvenile justice system
- Compassion and concern for juveniles and advocates
- Agreement with the core positions held by the Coalition for Juvenile Justice

**Past recipients include:**

2004: Anthony "Tony" Gobar (MS)

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2005: Suzanne Toguchi (HI)

2006: Pat Cervera (CO)

2007: Larry Carter (NV)

2008: Richard Lindahl (NM)

2009: Sandy Rempe (MO)

2010: Christian Kervick (DE)

2011: Joseph B. Vignati (GA)

2012: Alan Miller (ID)

2013: Valerie LaMotte (CT)

2014: Reg Garff (UT)

2015: Edward Chargualaf (HI)

2016: Rob Vickery (IL)

2017: Meg Williams (CO)

2018: Jennifer G. Withrow (KY)

2019: Mike Pennington (PA)

2020: Jessica Wheeler (MD)



### **Nomination Instructions**

Please read through the following information fully before completing the online nomination form.

Nominations are scored based on the narratives provided in the Questions Section. Please be clear and concise in your writing. The quality of the answers can affect how nomination submissions are viewed.

All questions must be answered for a nomination to be scored. The Nomination Checklist is provided (below) for your convenience. Please be sure to have all of the following information ready when you complete the online nomination form. Following this page is an example of what will be asked in the online nomination form. **Paper nominations will not be accepted.**

### **Nomination Checklist**

- ☐ Nominee/Nominator Contact Information Fields
- ☐ Nominee Narrative Questions
- ☐ Optional Supporting Documents – You may attach up to two (2) supporting documents to your application. Please see the list of appropriate materials provided at the end of this form. These will not be scored, but will be considered as part over the overall evaluation process.
- ☐ Review carefully before submitting. All fields must be completed for a submission to be considered.

### **Online Nomination Form**

Please complete your nomination using the following link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfI9uZ\\_Ak7xITuI\\_6luFx4BthjiUfWjrDbUJtt4rgUF\\_vAgng/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfI9uZ_Ak7xITuI_6luFx4BthjiUfWjrDbUJtt4rgUF_vAgng/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### **Deadline for Submissions**

Nominations are due to CJJ by **Monday, February 22, 2021, at 11:59 PM ET**

### **Questions**

Contact LaToria Sheppard at [sheppard@juvjustice.org](mailto:sheppard@juvjustice.org).

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Nominee Information

Salutation:

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

Organization:

Street Address:

City: State: Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Does your Nominee know he/she is being nominated? Yes ☐ No ☐

Length of time Nominee has been in current position?

Nominator Information

Full Name:

Title:

Organization:

Street Address:

City: State: Zip:

E-mail:

Phone:

How long have you known the Nominee?

In what capacity do you know the Nominee?



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#### Questions Section

Please answer the following four (4) questions, providing specific examples for each characteristic.

Responses are capped at 2,500 characters. Additional text cannot be accepted as part of the application.

1. How has your nominee demonstrated excellence in service to others?
2. How has he/she shown dedication and commitment to improving the juvenile justice system?
3. In what ways has he/she shown compassion and concern for juveniles and advocates?
4. Please describe the nominee's actions to support the core positions held by the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (please [click here](#) or visit: <http://www.juvjustice.org/core-positions/guidingprinciples> to see a list of CJJ's core positions).



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Optional Supporting Documents:

You may include up to two (2) of the following types of attachments to illustrate your nomination information. These will not be scored, but will be given to the review committee as materials to reinforce the narrative portion of your nomination. Whenever possible, please submit in PDF format.

Examples of potential supporting documents include, but are not limited to:

- ☐ Press release
- ☐ News report
- ☐ Brochure
- ☐ Fact sheet
- ☐ Current resume of nominee
- ☐ Personal/Professional Letters of Support