

# 2024-2025 Florida Missing Children's Day Citizen Award Nomination Form

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025.**

Thank you for considering nominees for the 2024 - 2025 Florida Missing Children's Day Awards. General award winners will be selected by the Missing Endangered Person Information Clearinghouse Advisory Board. Special award winners are selected by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's (FDLE) Commissioner. The awards will be presented on Florida Missing Children's Day, September 8, 2025, in Tallahassee, Florida. Please email this form to [FMCD@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:FMCD@fdle.state.fl.us) or mail it to FDLE Attn. FMCD Coordinator, Post Office Box 1489, Tallahassee, FL 32302.

## Nominator Information/Primary Award Contact:

The nominator will act as the main contact for award notification. Specific contact information for the nominee(s) may be solicited at a later date if needed.

**Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rank/Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Agency/Organization** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

*Street Address* *Suite/Unit #*

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*City* *State* *Zip*



**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Please select the nomination category you believe best applies to the nominee. The nomination award category criteria can be referenced on the next page.</b></p>	<p><b>Citizen of the Year Award</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><b>School Bus Operator of the Year Award</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><b>Young Hero of the Year Award</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></p>
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## Nominee Award Information:

<b>Is there an agency case number(s) associated with this nomination?</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>If so, provide case number(s):</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
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## Mandatory Award Criteria

**The below criteria is required for ALL awards.**

The activity warranting nomination must have occurred in the State of Florida during the time period of January 1, 2024, through April 30, 2025;

**AND**

The activity must be determined to be exceptional, extraordinary, outstanding, or beyond the call of duty.

**In addition to the criteria above, please see the specific criteria for each of the citizen awards below.**

Award:	Specific Criteria:
<b>Citizen of the Year Award</b>	Activity resulted in the prevention of an abduction, or the recovery of a child or endangered person from a situation of imminent danger. <b>*Sworn law enforcement may not qualify for this award UNLESS the activity is grossly outside their normal job activities and occurred while off-duty. For example, sworn jail personnel that prevented a child abduction at a bus stop may qualify.</b>
<b>School Bus Operator of the Year Award</b>	Activity resulted in the prevention of a child or student abduction or the recovery of a child or student from a situation of imminent danger while on duty as a school bus operator/driver. <b>*Must be employed as a school bus driver. Any other type of bus driver would be assessed for Citizen of the Year award.</b>
<b>Young Hero Award</b>	<b>While a minor,</b> activity that resulted in the prevention, escape or situation of imminent danger typically related to a child abduction or recovery of a child (could be the prevention/escape of their own abduction).

**Disclaimer:** Florida Missing Children’s Day is live streamed by the Florida Channel, winners that are undercover or that do not wish to have their information released may be unable to participate in the ceremony itself. Their awards will be distributed based on their agency’s/organization’s preference. Participation in the ceremony authorizes the use of the winner’s name and image for publication. FDLE reserves the right to remove a nominee or winner from the selection process if any adverse information is obtained before award issuance on September 8, 2025.

## Nominee Information:

Full Name

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Rank/Title

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Agency/Organization

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Email

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Is the nominee a sworn officer?

Yes

No

## Nomination Summary

Please provide detailed information concerning the case investigation or activity. Describe the role of the nominee and specify the actions and activities that led to your nomination for this award. Include any additional information, like press clippings, arrest reports or news footage for our consideration. You may also include any additional cases the nominee participated in during timeframe. You may attach additional pages.

