

2024 Step Forward Awards Score Sheet (Group)

Judge's Name: _____

Group's Name: _____

Category: **Volunteer Group**

Criteria	Suitable (0-1)	Very Good (2-3)	Exceptional (4-5)	Score
Impact on beneficiaries or community, based on what, when and how the group contributed to the community.	Group provides modest evidence of impact that is witnessed in the community.	Group is making an impact that is measurable and witnessed in the community.	Group is making significant and meaningful impact that is measurable and witnessed in the community.	
Volunteer Recruitment & Inclusion	Group uses bulletin boards or makes announcements of volunteer opportunities at some community meetings.	Group creates a supportive environment to inspire group members. Actively recruits and engages volunteers on a periodic basis.	In addition to creating a supportive service environment, group also uses websites, blog articles, social media, targeted email campaigns, information sessions, video, or personal asks to regularly recruit volunteers from a variety of backgrounds with a variety of skillsets.	
Teamwork, Collaboration & Leadership	Group operates as a team and has designated leaders.	Group operates well as a team and has designated leaders who demonstrate a passion for the group's mission.	Group demonstrates teamwork exceptionally well and leadership makes a point to utilize the unique talents of team members to complete service projects efficiently and according to community needs.	
Mission, Goals, & Community Engagement	Group demonstrates a basic level of engagement with the community by including some measurable outcomes and moderate community empowerment.	Group demonstrates strong community engagement, with measurable outcomes that reflect positive changes in the community. Actively involves the community in decision-making.	Group demonstrates exceptional community engagement, with measurable outcomes and actively involves the community in decision-making. The program has proven adaptable, ensuring both inspiring short and long-term benefits for the community.	
Makes use of effective partnerships	Group has made an effort to partner with a local stakeholder.	Group has an active and effective partnership with a local stakeholder.	Group has active and effective partnerships with more than one local stakeholder.	

Final Score: (0-30) _____