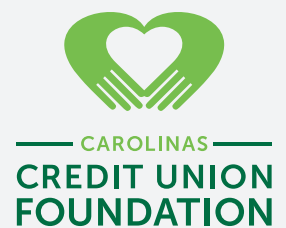


Call for Nominations: 2021 Hero Awards



A credit union hero is someone who best personifies the credit union philosophy and ideals, shows dedication to credit union principles, and makes a difference in the community. The Carolinas Credit Union Foundation is honored to highlight the achievements of our industry with three distinct categories for our credit union heroes:

Lifetime Achievement Award

Honors a professional or volunteer who has dedicated their life to promoting the credit union philosophy, created innovative concepts and exhibited leadership that has made a significant and lasting impact in the credit union movement on a local, national, and/or international stage.

Individual Achievement Award

Honors a professional or volunteer for their innovative concepts and accomplishments in the past three to five years that continue to contribute to the credit union movement.

Partner in Philanthropy Award

Honors a business partner, service provider, chapter or credit union for its commitment and practices that exude philanthropic character and affirms the people helping people philosophy.

Hero Award Process



Judging:

The Carolinas Credit Union Foundation's nomination committee, elected by the Board of Directors, will consider all submissions for the 2021 Hero Awards. Please submit your nomination letter via email to Lauren Whaley at lwhaley@carolinasfoundation.org by November 5, 2021.

How to apply:

Please submit a detailed letter outlining the individual or organization and why they are deserving of a Hero Award. A minimum of one page is encouraged describing achievements, success stories, community and leadership positions and any other honors. Specifically for the Partner in Philanthropy nomination, please address community impact and the dedication of this organization or group to the cooperative principles.

Presentation of awards:

The submissions will be used to create a professional video highlighting each honoree. The Hero Awards will be presented at the Carolinas Credit Union Foundation's 2021 Awards Gala in conjunction with the Carolinas Credit Union League's Launch Conference in February of 2022.



Past Winners



2019

Lifetime Achievement Award

Steve Harkins, SC Telco Federal Credit Union's CEO

Lifetime Achievement Award

Bill Smith, Coastal Credit Union Volunteer

Lifetime Achievement Award

Steve Smith, Sharonview Federal Credit Union's CFO

Individual Achievement Award

Deb McLean, Nova Credit Union's VP of Marketing and Business Development

Partner in Philanthropy Award

Coastal Credit Union Foundation

2018

Lifetime Achievement Award

Marc Schaefer, Truiliant Federal Credit Union's CEO

Partner in Philanthropy Award

Robert Harris, Health Facilities Federal Credit Union's CEO

Partner in Philanthropy Award

Upstate SC Credit Union Charitable Giving Campaign

2017

Individual Professional Achievement

Cathy Pace, Allegacy Federal Credit Union's President and CEO

Lifetime Professional Achievement

Dorinda Edwards, American Partners Credit Union's President and CEO

Lifetime Professional Achievement

John Radebaugh, Carolina's Credit Union League President and CEO

Lifetime Volunteer Achievement

Maria Scanga, Latino Community Credit Union's Board Chair

Past Winners



2016

Individual Professional Achievement

Mark Curran, Lion's Share Federal Credit Union's President and CEO

Lifetime Professional Achievement

Jerry Miller, Carolina Trust Federal Credit Union's President and CEO

Lifetime Volunteer Achievement

Joan Nelson, Coastal Federal Credit Union's Board Chair

Partner in Philanthropy

Creative Builder's, Inc.

2015

Individual Professional Achievement

Genice DeCorte, Healthshare Credit Union's President and CEO

Lifetime Professional Achievement

Glenn Kirk, Summit Credit Union EVP of Marketing and Business Development

Lifetime Volunteer Achievement

Paul Francis, Summit Credit Union Board of Directors Treasurer and Trustee

Partner in Philanthropy

Your Marketing Co.

2014

Individual Professional Achievement

David Brehmer, First Carolina Corporate Credit Union President and CEO

Lifetime Professional Achievement

John Carlson, Sharonview Federal Credit Union President and CEO

Lifetime Volunteer Achievement

George Price, Piedmont Advantage Credit Union Board Member

Individual Volunteer Achievement

Travis Walters, SPC Credit Union Board Chairman

Partner in Philanthropy

CUNA Mutual Group