



*New Starts for Women Inc.
Woman of Merit
2020 Nomination Form*

Nominee Information

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Postal Code _____
Phone (Home) _____
Phone (Cell) _____
Email _____

Nominator Information

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Postal Code _____
Phone (Home) _____
Phone (Cell) _____
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Circle one

Municipality of Red Lake

Township of Ear Falls

I declare the information contained in this nomination to be true to the best of my knowledge.

Nominator #1 Signature

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Nominator #2 Signature

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Nominator #3 Signature

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Email : j.chamberlin@shaw.ca or FAX 807-727-2487

Deadline for Nominations is Friday February 28, 2020 at 4:00 pm

Nominate a Woman of Merit/Excellence who has impacted and potentially improved the lives of other women and girls through contributions in areas such as:

Arts & Culture	Business	Communications
Community Action	Corporate Achievement	Diversity
Education	Entrepreneurship	Global Action
Health & Welfare	Leadership	National Leadership
Philanthropy	Professions	Public Service
Religion	Science & Technology	Social Justice
Sports	Volunteerism	Women's Rights

Eligibility requirements

First and foremost, nominees must demonstrate a commitment to and advocacy for improving the lives of women and/or girls.

Nominees must live and/or work within the Red Lake District but may have made their contributions to women and girls either within or beyond these boundaries.

Nomination submission guidelines:

Nominations must be submitted by 4pm on February 28, 2020 with all required information. Nominators should include a letter of introduction and answer the following three questions.

What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements?

- Displays originality, innovation and excellence. Excellence may mean unique and exemplary.
- Breaking new ground or old barriers.
- Making a distinct and describable difference in people's lives, family and/ or the community as a whole. Impact of achievement that goes beyond their field of employment or sphere of influence.

How has the nominee contributed to the well being of the community?

- Contributions which enhance the lives of others in her community in any way such as socially, economically, or culturally.
- Being an agent of change either within her particular community or the world at large.
- Affiliation and participation with community organizations such as youth groups, sports etc.
- Volunteer work and/or employment

How has the nominee contributed as a role model?

- Has enriched or enabled others by virtue of involvement with, or the influence of this candidate.
- Demonstrated vision and pioneering spirit in the advancement of the community and our quality of life.
- Educate, support and encourage successors, colleagues and peers
- Demonstrated admirable qualities such as responsible leadership, good interpersonal relationships, academic excellence, etc.

Who can nominate?

ANYONE, male or female, who knows a woman making a difference in any of the categories can nominate except:

- Current New Starts for Women Selection Committee members;
- Current New Starts for Women Board of Directors and Staff.

Who can be nominated?

ANY woman living in the Red Lake / Ear Falls region who is making a difference in our community in any of the categories. Past nominees MAY be re-nominated as long as they were not a recipient in a previous year.

Other important points:

- ALL inquiries regarding nominations, nomination process, or the International Day Luncheon should be directed to New Starts for Women Inc by telephone: (807) 727-2820; by fax: (807) 727-2487 or by email: j.chamberlin@shaw.ca
- Nomination packages are accepted by New Starts for Women Inc., Box 169, Red Lake, Ontario, P0V2M0, ATTN: Jennifer Chamberlin. All packages must be marked: "Woman of Merit 2020".
- All nominations will be treated CONFIDENTIALLY. Nominators may be contacted to clarify information provided in the nomination form.
- Nominations will be evaluated only on the merit of the submissions received. As a nominator, it is your responsibility to reflect the achievements of the nominee to the selection committee, to draw out their exceptional nature.
- The names of the Women of Merit recipients will be kept strictly confidential until announced at the awards ceremonies on Friday March 6, 2020 at the International Women's Day Luncheon.

How are the winners chosen?

A Selection Committee will be assembled by New Starts for Women Inc which will be comprised of members from the community. The members of the Selection Committee are chosen based on their merit as a strong representative. Committee members are known for their leadership and dedication in making our community a better place to live, work and play. The identity of the Selection Committee members will be kept confidential.

Each package will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- The nominee's unique and outstanding achievements relative to the category;
- The nominee's contribution as a role model for other women and/or girls;
- The nominee's contribution to the well-being of the community.

The committee will choose an award recipient or recipients based exclusively on the information indicated in the nomination packages submitted. Please be thorough and factual with the information you provide. The Selection Committee receives copies of all accepted nomination packages and ranks them according to the set criteria. The Committee will meet to discuss their rankings and to select the recipients for the awards.

The decision of the Selection Committee is final.