

Bernie L. Bates Foundation President's Privilege Award Criteria

Purpose: The Bernie L. Bates Foundation President's Privilege Award is the highest form of recognition bestowed by the Board. The award is presented annually to a Community member or Director who has demonstrated **outstanding service** to the Fairfax County community through the giving of **personal time, talents, and resources** which further the goals and objectives of the foundation.

Criteria: To be considered for the President's Privilege Award, a nominee must meet the following criteria:

- A signed nomination form must be completed and submitted to a member of the President's Privilege Award Nominations Committee no later than the deadline established by the committee for the year in which the person is being nominated.
- Nominees must have a demonstrated record of achievement undergirded by an interest in and support of the tenets of the Bernie L. Bates Foundation. These include improving the economic status, expanding social action activities and supporting increased volunteerism within Fairfax County for the benefit of the less fortunate, lifting as we climb!
- If a nominee is a board member, the nominee must have a record of attendance (or provided proxy) at all scheduled Board meetings and demonstrated community service above and beyond normal expectations.
- Nominees must have a record of support for civic improvement (including physical assets and institutions), charitable activity (including development of its citizens), or the promotion of the general welfare of the Fairfax County community through activities that support the mission, goals, and objectives of the foundation.
- Nominees must have a demonstrated record of service or personal contribution through leadership in their community, within committees established by the Board of Directors and/or through community service organizations and activities.
- A high quality head and shoulder photograph must accompany each nomination. In addition letters or other supporting documents may be included with the nomination if desired.

President's Privilege Award Selection Methodology: The appointed President's Privilege Award Nominations Committee will review all nominations and select the most deserving nominee; the decision of the committee is final. The selected nominee will be formally recognized at the annual Privilege Award and Community Recognition Celebration as the overall Bernie L. Bates Foundation President's Privilege Awardee.