2018 Local Chapter Awards

For presentation during the Friday, November 2, 2018 Annual meeting. Deadline for submission is Thursday, October 18, 2018.

Membership Awards: One Chapter from each of the five DMH/DD Regions with the most memberships per capita population will be recognized. Recognition will also be made for the chapter with the most memberships statewide.

Community Service: Honors a group who has demonstrated commitment to the mission and positions of The Arc by volunteering time locally or on a statewide basis to enhance opportunities for people with disabilities or working on special projects or events.

Volunteer of the Year Award: Recognizes a volunteer who has given generously of his/her time and talents to accomplish the mission of The Arc.

Community Media Excellence Award: Recognizes television, radio, and/or print media for outstanding efforts that create better understanding of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. This Award recognizes reports and programs, such as news and feature stories, in television, radio, newspapers and magazines. The nominations accepted/selected shall be those made by a chapter of The Arc who is licensed to use the national brand.

Chapter Marketing Award: Recognizes a local chapter of The Arc with outstanding communication efforts in print, audio, video, and/or social media projects. The local chapter selected shall be one who is licensed to use and uses The Arc brand in all marketing materials and efforts.

Chapter Distinguished Service Award: Recognizes a chapter of The Arc that provides an exemplary, unique or innovative program which has a positive impact on the lives of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. Program activities must be community inclusive.

Legislator of the Year: Recognizes a legislator who has provided outstanding leadership and advocacy on behalf of infant, children, and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

School Inclusion Award: Recognizes a school, teacher, educator, administrator, support personnel, or other education professionals who has demonstrated excellence in providing quality inclusive educational opportunities for students with intellectual/developmental disabilities, reflective of The Arc position on education and inclusion of students with developmental disabilities. This may include early education, secondary education, and higher education.

President’s Partner of the Year: The President’s Cup is selected by State President. The award honors an individual, group or organization that has contributed to the mission and vision of The
Arc by providing an exceptional commitment to improving the quality of life of the people we represent.

**Legacy Award:** This award is presented on those occasions where the individual’s lifetime work leaves a legacy for the future and mission of The Arc.

**Role Model Award:** This award honors an individual with intellectual/developmental disabilities for outstanding participation in or contribution to The Arc community, including leadership, contribution to community, and/or self-advocacy.