

About the Humane Award

The Humane Award is given annually to a non-veterinarian who has advanced animal well-being, shown exemplary dedication to the care of animals, and contributed to the community and society. Nominations may be based upon a sustained effort or an extraordinary single achievement, and may be in any or all of the following areas:

Leadership

Public Service (public policy, community programs)

Research/Product Development

Education

Animal Advocacy

Award

- A physical award,
- A \$500 stipend, and
- Reimbursement of expenses (in accord with AVMA policy) for travel of the recipient to the venue where the award will be presented.

Criteria

- Nominations may be submitted by individuals 18 years or older (AVMA members and non-members) or organizations (governmental and nongovernmental).
- Nominations must reflect specific accomplishments in the field of animal welfare, as opposed to support and promotion of the human-animal bond. The latter, while laudable, is not the focus of this award.
- Nominations may be based on a sustained effort or an extraordinary single achievement in any or all of the following areas:

Leadership,

Public Service (e.g., community programs, public policy development),

Research and/or **Product Development,**

Education, and/or

Advocacy.

- Recipients must be available and willing to attend a presentation ceremony and participate in other recognition activities.

Nomination Materials

- A completed nomination form,
- A copy of the nominee’s curriculum vitae/resume (not to exceed 2 double-sided typed pages),
- A color photograph or digital image of the nominee that is suitable for publication, and
- A detailed letter of nomination (not to exceed 3 single-sided typed pages), which describes how the nominee has met the award criteria mentioned above.

The nomination package may also include up to 3 letters of support (not to exceed 3 single-sided typed pages each) for the nomination from veterinarians, colleagues, or organizations.

Completed nomination materials should be submitted to:

Humane Award
AVMA Animal Welfare Division
1931 North Meacham Rd, Suite 100
Schaumburg, IL 60173-4360

Entries must be received by **February 1, 2012**

All materials submitted become the property of the AVMA and may be used in ways the organization deems appropriate.

Nomination Procedure

Anyone may nominate an eligible non-veterinarian by completing a nomination form and returning the form and appropriate supporting material by February 1, 2012 to Humane Award, AVMA Animal Welfare Division, 1931 North Meacham Rd, Suite 100, Schaumburg, IL 60173-4360.

The recipient of the Humane Award is selected by members of the AVMA Animal Welfare Committee.

Preference will be given to nominees who:

- Recognize that science, ethics, and culture all contribute to how animals are used and cared for by people, and respect those contributions in arriving at solutions to animal welfare challenges,
- Work with a variety of stakeholders to raise awareness of issues of concern and engage those stakeholders in seeking solutions to challenges,
- Work actively to improve understanding of animal welfare needs and, when necessary, change human attitudes and behavior to ensure proper stewardship, and
- Communicate information about, and propose solutions to, animal welfare challenges with courage and integrity.

At the discretion of the Animal Welfare Committee, an award may not be presented in any given year.

Direct questions regarding this award to Kathy Sikora, Animal Welfare Division, ext. 6635 (ksikora@avma.org).

Nomination Form

2012 AVMA HUMANE AWARD
(please type or print legibly)

Nominee’s Name

Address

Telephone Number

Fax

Email Address

The nominator or nominating organization should attach commentary (not to exceed three single-sided typed pages) describing the basis for the nomination. Clearly identify the nominee’s achievements and accomplishments that you believe qualify him/her for the award. In addition, please attach the nominee’s current curriculum vitae or resume. Up to three letters of support for the nomination may also be provided.

Please note:

- Only the first 3 single-sided typed pages of commentary submitted by the nominator/nominating organization will be reviewed during the evaluation process.
- CVs or resumes must not exceed 2 double-sided typed pages.
- Each letter of support must not exceed 3 single-sided typed pages.
- The color photo or digital image, as well as all materials submitted, are the property of the AVMA

**Nominator must be 18 years or older*

Date

Nominator/Organization

Address

Telephone Number

Email Address

Return nomination to:

Humane Award
Animal Welfare Division
American Veterinary Medical Association
1931 N. Meacham Road, Suite 100, Schaumburg, IL 60173-4360

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IS FEBRUARY 1, 2012

Recent Past Recipients

2011	Anne Lindsay	Massachusetts
2010	Kathryn Warnick	Missouri
2009	Cynthia Bathurst, PhD	Illinois
2008	Sharon Harmon	Oregon
2007	Bernard Rollin, PhD	Colorado
2006	No Award Given	-----
2005	Jeff Goodwin, PhD	Colorado
2004	Carolyn Danese	Georgia
2003	Detective Mike Duffey	Arizona
2002	Steve Dale	Illinois



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This award is given annually to a non-veterinarian to recognize his/her achievements in advancing the welfare of animals via leadership, public service, education, research/product development, and/or advocacy. The AVMA's intent in bestowing this award is to encourage attention to animal welfare within the context of responsible animal use and to reward thoughtful and science-based animal welfare advocacy.



American Veterinary Medical Association

Deadline for Entries February 1, 2012

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Call For Nominations

2012

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February 1, 2012

