

2007 CIVIC CHANGE AWARD APPLICATION

About the Award



The 2007 Civic Change Award focuses on a significant challenge facing communities and asks how communities can help meet this challenge. Dropout prevention is the challenge – if our communities are to thrive and prosper they desperately need their young people to finish school. Communities with greater numbers of high school graduates are more attractive to businesses and are less burdened by the costs associated with poor health and unemployment. Unfortunately, schools alone cannot change the odds. Entire communities need to recognize the potential dangers of dropping out and work to help students finish their schooling.

This year's award recognizes an individual or organization utilizing community resources to help keep young people in school. Examples include mentoring programs matching at-risk students with community members, career-oriented programs working through local businesses that help students realize the connection between school and work, or initiatives that mobilize community members in an attempt to publicize the serious nature of the dropout problem in local schools.

The 2007 Civic Change Award winner receives a \$2500 prize that may be donated to the organization of their choice. The award will be presented at a ceremony in 2007.

Required and Optional Materials

The application form must be printed, completed (either typed or handwritten), and mailed to the address below by the deadline of March 31st, 2007. Nominators are encouraged, but not required, to include up to three letters of support from persons other than themselves as well as supporting information such as news articles or executive summaries.

Mail the 2007 Civic Change Award application to:

Pew Partnership for Civic Change
5 Boar's Head Lane, Suite 100
Charlottesville, VA 22903

NOMINEE INFORMATION

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

ORGANIZATION:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

PHONE:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

WEB ADDRESS (URL):

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

ORGANIZATION:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

PHONE:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

WEB ADDRESS (URL):

DESCRIPTION OF INITIATIVE:

Please describe the effort to reduce the dropout rate using community resources in fewer than 1000 words. This description may be printed and attached as a separate sheet. Make sure to include in your description the following information:

- Overview of project or program
- What community partners were involved?
- What made the intervention innovative?
- What were the results?

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS MARCH 31, 2007.