NAMI Texas presents the 2018 NAMI Texas Awards Celebration
Nominate YOUR mental health hero today!

It's not too late to NOMINATE!

NAMI Texas is currently accepting nominations for the 2018 NAMI Texas Annual Awards, which will be presented at our annual awards celebration on Friday, October 26 at the Austin Marriott South. Winners' names and photos will also be posted on the NAMI Texas website and in the conference program. Nominations are being accepted through August 29, 2018. You may nominate any person or group in your community who has made a significant impact, such as a social worker, a politician, a police chief, a legislator, community leader, etc. Please click here for the nomination form and write a short description of why you have nominated this individual or group.

Please send your nominations to the awards committee via email to officemanager@namitexas.org by Wednesday, August 29, 2018. Winners will be notified by September 15.

2018 NAMI Texas Annual Awards

1. Charley H. Shannon Advocate for Justice Award: A person who daily strives to improve legislation, laws, and conditions of the mental health arena. This could be a family advocate, a judge, a lawyer, a legislative representative, etc.

2. Betty Fulenwider Media Award: A person in print or media who actively seeks and accurately covers stories on mental health. This person is not afraid to report the injustices those with mental illnesses face and also pushes to report the successes in the mental health field.

3. Mental Health Professional of the Year Award: A professional who goes above and beyond the normal performance expectations to ensure excellent treatment, promote recovery, reduce stigma, and show compassion.

4. Volunteer of the Year Award: A NAMI member who has given selflessly of their time in the past year to support NAMI Texas and local Affiliate's mission and activities.

5. Youth Volunteer of the Year Award: A NAMI member under the age of 25 who has given selflessly of their time in the past year to support NAMI Texas and local Affiliate's mission and activities.

6. Mark Korenek Consumer Quality of Life Award: A consumer who fearlessly shows the world what recovery means by speaking out and advocating for the rights of people diagnosed with a mental illness.
7. **Jackie Shannon Enduring Volunteer**: Recognition to a NAMI member for his/her consistent dedication and effective work over many years not only in a local affiliate, but also as a volunteer for NAMI Texas.

Nominations must be received by e-mail or mail postmarked by Wednesday, August 29, 2018.

If mailing please send to:

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If emailing please send to officemanager@namitexas.org

Thank you,

2018 NAMI Texas Awards Committee

[Click here to download the nomination form](#)