

Cumberland Community Foundation  
Mary Lynn McCree Bryan Leadership Award

**Nomination Form**  
Nominations Due: **August 15, 2011**

The Cumberland Community Foundation awards the prestigious Mary Lynn McCree Bryan Leadership Award to recognize, encourage, and reward extraordinary nonprofit leadership by a board member. The winner of the annual award may recommend a grant of \$500.00 to a qualified charitable organization in Cumberland County.

How many awards will be given?

It is a competitive nomination and one winner will be selected.

Who may do the nominating?

Nonprofits in Cumberland County or their individual volunteers are eligible to nominate a current board member or recent alumnus.

When are nominations due?

Nominations must be received (not postmarked) no later than Monday, August 15, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Can nominating organizations apply for other grants from the Foundation?

Yes, nominating a candidate does not preclude the group from applying for any other grants in the same year or grant cycle.

**Part I: The Nominating Organization**

Name of Nonprofit Organization:

Tax ID #: (Attach your federal tax exemption letter.)

Mailing Address:

City/State/Zip Code:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

Website Address:

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Nominator Name & Title:

Nominator Phone Number:

E-Mail:

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Nominee Name & Title:

Nominee Mailing Address:

City/State/Zip Code:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

## **Part II: The Nominee Information**

On a separate sheet (two-page maximum, 12 point font), please provide:

1. Brief description of the organization's overall service
2. Brief summary of the Nominee's length of board service, committee service, and leadership roles at the organization. Can be submitted as narrative or list.
3. Please describe in one page or less why your Nominee should be recognized for exemplary service.

Some example characteristics of exceptional board service are:

- a. Leading the board of the organization towards sound governance and best practices.
- b. Raising the necessary resources to fulfill the organization's mission. (Examples include personally assisting with fundraising, managing successful special events, personal giving as an example to the board, soliciting gifts from individuals or corporations, grant writing...)
- c. Reenergizing the board and the organization to fulfill its mission, such as of improved attendance at meetings, increased board giving, re-organization of committee work.
- d. Lead the development of innovative collaborations within the community.

The nomination must be signed by the Nominator and received (not postmarked) at Cumberland Community Foundation no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 15, 2011.

### Mail nominations to:

Mary Lynn McCree Bryan Leadership Award Nomination  
Cumberland Community Foundation  
P.O. Box 2345  
Fayetteville, NC 28302

Nominations may also be hand delivered to the Foundation at:  
308 Green Street  
Fayetteville, NC 28301

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The Nonprofit Leadership Award merged with the Mary Lynn McCree Bryan Leadership Award in 2010. Going forward, this award will celebrate the superb leadership of Mary Lynn and also the tireless efforts of Cumberland County's most effective nonprofit volunteer board members.

### *History -*

The Mary Lynn McCree Bryan Leadership Award was created on April 30, 1998 to recognize her volunteer service and outstanding leadership as a director of the Foundation. She has been directly responsible for ensuring that Dr. Lucile Hutaff's vision of what Cumberland Community Foundation could mean to the quality of life in this community endures. In the years spanning 1998 and 2000, three individuals were recognized for devoting extraordinary volunteer service and leadership to the development of the Foundation.

John E. Raper, Jr., First President (1998)  
J. Wesley Jones, MD, 20:20 Vision Chairman (1999)  
Charles vonRosenberg, Treasurer (2000)

The Nonprofit Leadership Award began in 2003 as a competitive award structured to encourage the adoption of nonprofit standards of excellence that were defined by the N.C. Center for Nonprofits. Cumberland County nonprofit board members or recent alumni were nominated in a competitive process and the winner was selected based on their effectiveness in leading their organization toward best practices. The following is a list of winners.

James A. Kerchmar for Better Health of Cumberland County, Inc. (2003)  
Howard Loughlin, MD for Child Advocacy Center, Inc. (2003)  
Caren Payne for Fayetteville Animal Protection Society (2003)  
Lorette Hollinshed for Cape Fear Botanical Garden (2004)  
Harry Rulnick for Fayetteville Urban Ministry, Inc. (2005)  
Willie Wright for Friends of the Cumberland County Public Library, Inc. (2006)  
Joseph Boles for The CARE Clinic, Inc. (2008)  
Les Griffin for Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, Inc. (2009)  
Rosemary Zimmerman for Child Advocacy Center (2010)