

The Salvation Army is now accepting nominations for the 2017 D.J.'s Hero Awards. Given in memory of D.J. Sokol, the awards recognize Nebraska high school seniors who exemplify his dedication to faith, selfless acts for others and commitment to the community. Honorees receive a \$10,000 scholarship toward their selected university or college.

D.J. Sokol had many obstacles to overcome, however, he focused his energy on his family and friends. With a passion for life, he delighted everyone around him, and with an engaging sense of humor, he profoundly impacted his community. D.J.'s positive outlook on life and extraordinary dedication to helping others made him a hero.

Through the D.J.'s Hero Awards, D.J.'s memory lives on in the recipients who share his characteristics and dedication to others.

OUR MISSION

*The Salvation Army,
an international movement,
is an evangelical part of the
universal Christian Church.*

Its message is based on the Bible.

Its ministry is motivated by the love of God.

*Its mission is to preach the gospel of
Jesus Christ and to meet human needs
in His name without discrimination.*

HELP RECOGNIZE OUR OUTSTANDING YOUTH

You can help The Salvation Army recognize exceptional Nebraska high school seniors by submitting your nomination today. **Entries must be postmarked by March 6, 2017.**

The presentation of the D.J.'s Hero Awards will take place at The Salvation Army D.J.'s Hero Awards Luncheon on Thursday, May 11, 2017, at the Embassy Suites Omaha-La Vista Hotel & Conference Center. **Attendance is required by all scholarship recipients.**

The 2017 D.J.'s Hero Awards Luncheon featured speaker is Jewel, a four-time Grammy Award nominated singer, songwriter, guitarist, actress and poet.

Please mail completed application form to:

The Salvation Army
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D.J.'s Hero Awards 2017



DAVID J. SOKOL, JR.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



D.J.'s Hero Awards

2017

NOMINEE & NOMINATOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The D.J.'s Hero Award is unique in that it honors the "unsung hero" who has overcome adversity and demonstrated leadership in and commitment to his/her community.

NOMINEE: The nominee must (1) be a senior in high school, (2) live in Nebraska, (3) be a resident of the United States, (4) attend college in the United States, and (5) attend the D.J.'s Hero Awards Luncheon on Thursday, May 11, 2017, at 11:45 a.m. in Omaha.

The nominee must write an essay (250 words or fewer) explaining why he/she is qualified to receive this very special recognition and scholarship. His/her name must appear on the essay.

NOMINATOR: All applicants must be nominated by an adult, such as a counselor, teacher, mentor, friend, pastor, etc., who is not a relative of the nominee. The nominator submits the application packet, which must include (1) this form, (2) a document no longer than two single-spaced pages with their own detailed answers to the questions below, and (3) the nominee's essay.

1. Describe in detail how the nominee demonstrates maturity and/or courage by acting independently.
2. Explain in specific detail how the nominee overcomes challenges/adversity.
3. Identify the following: (a) the personal goals of the nominee, (b) the nominee's greatest achievement in life, and (c) how he/she expresses enthusiasm for life.
4. Demonstrate the nominee's commitment to others and the community and leadership roles in service to the community (please avoid resume-like listing).

The nominator may nominate more than one student. Each nominee can only be nominated once. For additional copies of this form, visit SalArmyOmaha.org. Please call Mari at 402-898-5909 for more information. **Applications must be postmarked by March 6, 2017**, and mailed to: The Salvation Army, Development Department, 10755 Burt Street, Omaha, NE 68114.

Please complete the information below and return with nominee essay and completed nomination questions.

Nominee's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Nominator's Name: _____

Business/Organization: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____