Montgomery County Commission for Children and Youth

Call for Nominations

34th Annual Dr. Nancy Dworkin Award

The award is named in honor of Dr. Nancy Dworkin, past chairperson of the Commission on Children and Youth who passed away in 1987. She was the Director of the Center for Unique Learners, a school for children with learning disabilities. Her upbeat instructional philosophy focused on “teaching to strength” and encouraging all students to develop skills that would maximize their potential. Dr. Dworkin’s philosophy is echoed in the Commission’s purpose for establishing this Awards Program - encouraging each person to reach their own potential for providing service to others.

Submit nominations by February 28, 2026!

For 2026, we will recognize **three honorees** who live in Montgomery County. This year’s awardees will be honored via presentation of an award and an online article referencing their work on the website for the Commission on Children and Youth. They may also be referenced in a Montgomery County government press release or other communications.

Youth Awardee	A young person (13-21 years old) demonstrating leadership, advocacy, or service impacting peers or the community.
Nonprofit Partner Organization	An organization making meaningful contributions to children/youth. They must have offices in Montgomery County and provide services to Montgomery County residents.
Adult Volunteer	An individual volunteer (> 21 years old) whose service has had a sustained, positive impact on children/youth in the community.

To learn more about the Commission on Children and Youth and read about past recommendations we have made to our County’s leadership, check out our website!

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