

**The Paul & Jean Krauss Award for
Professional Excellence**

2023 Nomination Form

The Paul & Jean Krauss Award for Professional Excellence is an award to be presented to individuals in recognition of their professional service to the youth of Somerset County. The Somerset County Youth Services Commission presents this award in recognition of the Krauss dedication and service on behalf of Somerset County's youth and their families. Through Paul & Jean Krauss' professional careers, they have exemplified what it means to serve youth through their longtime involvement in governmental and educational endeavors on a professional basis.

The nominee shall be a professional who has demonstrated impact through direct service on the lives of children who are at-risk or involved in any of the child-serving systems. The nominee shall have a proven track record of successful networking with the various agencies within the systems that work with this population to develop programs and services to improve their lives and assist in their development as productive citizens.

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2023 Krauss award to be presented to an individual in recognition of their professional service to the youth of Somerset County and can be found on page two of this document. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. All nominations are confidential and will only be shared with the award selection committee. Potential award recipients and nominators will be contacted the week of November 20th.

The Krauss award will be presented at the annual Youth Services Commission Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at noon located at the Somerset County Human Services Building, 27 Warren Street, Somerville, NJ in conference room 1, first floor.

Thank you for taking the time to recognize a deserving youth professional for their outstanding contributions. Your nomination is greatly appreciated!

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We ask that you include a separate one-page summary of your nominee’s professional activities as well as a rationale that would warrant them recognition for their service with Somerset County youth. In your submission, the rationale should speak to the following themes:

Criteria for Nomination:

1. **Demonstrated Excellence:** Describe how the nominee has demonstrated excellence in their role as a youth professional.
2. **Impact on Youth:** Explain the impact the nominee has had on the lives of young people, including specific programs, initiatives, or projects they've been involved in.
3. **Leadership and Innovation:** Discuss how the nominee has shown leadership and innovation in their work with youth.
4. **Community Involvement:** Describe the nominee's involvement in and any outreach efforts related to their work with youth.

Please fill out the following information below regarding the nominee and a representative from the County Youth Services Commission will contact you for future information.

Nominee Name _____
Affiliation _____
Address _____

Email/Phone _____

Please Provide Your Contact Information:

Name _____
Affiliation _____
Email/Phone _____

All submissions are due no later than November 17, 2023
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Subject Line: YSC Award Nomination- Krauss Award

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