



Spirit of Manatee Award Categories - 2009

INDIVIDUALS

Lifetime Spirit Award – this award will be presented to an individual (or couple) demonstrating a lifetime record of exceptional generosity in the community, whose direct financial support exemplifies outstanding charitable and civic responsibility that has significantly advanced the mission of several charitable institutions within the community, and whose leadership and example encourages and motivates others toward greater roles in philanthropy.

Leadership Spirit Award – this award will be presented to an individual (or couple) demonstrating an active and ongoing charitable investment in the community, whose spirit of giving encourages and motivates others, and whose direct financial support has impacted one or more charitable institutions within the community.

Volunteer Spirit Award - this award will be presented to an individual volunteer fundraiser who demonstrates exceptional leadership skills in coordinating, recruiting, and motivating others to make financial contributions, contributes his or her time toward the success of fundraising events, directly contributes his or her own financial support, and by example, encourages others to assume roles of responsibility in the charitable community.

Young Spirit Award – this award will be presented to a young person or group/organization under the age of 21 who has/have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to the charitable community by direct financial support; contributed time and energy to a fundraising effort; and, who by example has/have encouraged and motivated others - young and old - to make contributions to a charitable cause in the Manatee community.

ORGANIZATIONS

Community Spirit Award – this award will be presented to a grant making foundation, service club, corporation, or business demonstrating outstanding commitment to the charitable community through direct financial support and through its leadership and motivation of others to participate and advance philanthropy in Manatee County.