**General Information**

**Prix Hommage Aînés**

**(Senior Tribute Award)**

**2021 Edition**

1. **SENIOR TRIBUTE AWARD**

The Québec Government’s ***Prix Hommage Aînés*** is presented to a senior who works as a volunteer in his or her region and helps to improve the well-being of seniors and enhance their role in society.

1. **SELECTION METHOD**

Anyone who wishes to submit a nomination should contact their region’s coordination panel for seniors (the “table régionale de concertation des aînés”, or TRCA) to obtain the nomination form. The period for nominations for the 2021 Award is from **May 3 to June 11, 2021.**

Regional nominations for the Award are gathered by the 18 regional panels and examined by an independent selection committee. Each panel then forwards one nomination from its region to the Minister Responsible for Seniors and Informal Caregivers, no later than **June 25, 2021**. Nominations from First Nations and Inuit as well as those from ethnocultural diversity are encouraged.

1. **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To be eligible for the ***Prix Hommage Aînés***, a candidate must:

* be a senior and be resident in Québec;
* be engaged in volunteer work aimed at improving the living conditions of seniors;
* have accomplishments in one or more of the following fields:
* Quality of life improvements for seniors
* Social participation and integration of seniors
* Development of intergenerational relationships and knowledge transfer
* Advocacy for seniors’ rights
* Fight against ageism and promotion of a positive image of ageing
* Recognition in the community
* Prevention of senior abuse
* Support for vulnerable seniors

Candidates who are members of a board of directors of a panel or of the *Conférence des Tables regionals de concertation des aînés du Québec,* and their relatives, as well as the personnel of these organizations and their relatives, are not eligible for the award.

1. **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Nominations are evaluated using one **or more** of the following criteria:

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| **Determination** | Has shown strength of character in achieving a goal despite constraints and obstacles |
| **Relevance** | Has been able to use human, material and financial resources to carry out a project that meets community needs |
| **Commitment** | Has taken resolute action and shown consistency and tenacity in achieving a goal |
| **Impact** | Has initiated actions that have had beneficial impacts in the community (sustainability of projects carried out, positive effects for seniors or others) |
| **Innovation** | Has been innovative in achieving a goal, has shown originality in maintaining or improving existing activities or has initiated a new activity to meet a need |

1. **RECOMMENDATION OF A NOMINATION**

At the end of the selection process, each regional table forwards the region’s recommended nomination file to the Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux.

The deadline for submission of recommendations is **June 25, 2021**.

The Award ceremony will be held in **November 2021**.

1. **INFORMATION**

If you would like additional information on the 2021 edition of the *Prix Hommage Aînés*, please contact Valérie Gélinas, who is an advisor with the Direction du vieillissement actif du Secrétariat aux aînés:

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