



THE COUNCIL OF THE FEDERATION
LITERACY AWARD

2020

**NEW BRUNSWICK'S
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**



The Council of the Federation was created in 2003 by Canada's Premiers because they believed it was important for provinces and territories to be leaders in matters that are important to all Canadians. In 2004, the Council of the Federation agreed to recognize achievements in literacy in every province and territory through the Council of the Federation Literacy Award.

A Message from the Premier

The Government of New Brunswick is proud to support the improvement of literacy levels in the province and across the country by recognizing outstanding achievement, innovative practice, and excellence in literacy.

We know that early literacy is essential to good jobs, strong families, and equal opportunity. It is imperative that we encourage the development of literacy skills early on so that our children can be equipped with the skills they need to be successful in the future.

As a province, we will continue to advocate for initiatives that will help both children and adults with their literacy needs. We believe that by building a community and a network of support, we will be able to help children and adults learn and improve their literacy skills.

With that, I am pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the New Brunswick 2020 Council of the Federation Literacy Award. I strongly encourage you to recognize and nominate an adult literacy volunteer here in the province of New Brunswick. That nominee will be an individual who has made an extraordinary contribution to literacy resulting in an improved quality of life for New Brunswickers.

*Honourable Blaine Higgs
Premier*

How to Make a Nomination

Nominations are invited for individual New Brunswick *adult literacy volunteers*. New Brunswick's 2020 "adult literacy volunteer" nominations will highlight Volunteers who had a visible impact on the lives of learners, literacy delivery and their communities. They have exceptional abilities to understand, advocate and promote life-long learning through their volunteer work.

You can nominate (or self-nominate) any *adult literacy volunteer* in your community or region who:

- resides in New Brunswick;
- is an adult literacy volunteer;
- consents to his/her nomination;
- has volunteered by supporting literacy programs and/or learners through teaching, promotional work and/or fundraising.;
- has positively impacted adult literacy skills in the community and province; and/or
- has demonstrated exceptional commitment to literacy by giving back to the community (via community service, leadership, etc.).

In addition to a monetary prize of \$150 and a donation of \$150 to a New Brunswick non-profit adult literacy organization (chosen by the recipient's nominator), the award recipient will receive a Council of the Federation Literacy Award medallion and certificate.

Nominations must include:

1. A nomination form completed and signed by the nominee.
2. A document featuring the nominee's success as an adult literacy volunteer. It can be written by the nominee or the person making the nomination. It must answer the following questions about the nominee's experience:
 - How has the nominee's volunteer work impacted literacy in the community?
 - What does the nominee consider to be his / her most remarkable accomplishments?
 - What are some examples of the nominee's dedication and commitment to improving literacy skills in New Brunswick?

The personal history document should not exceed two typed pages or three legible handwritten pages.

3. a) Two letters of support:
 - From a learner or colleague of the nominee; and
 - From another person (colleague or employer) who has been aided or inspired by the nominee.b) Letters of support should be a maximum of one typed page and should answer the following questions:
 - Why does the nominee deserve the award? and
 - How has the nominee's contributions impacted community literacy programs?
4. The name and address of the New Brunswick non-profit adult literacy organization to receive a donation (chosen by the nominator).

The nomination form, information about the nominee, two letters of support and the name and address of the nominator's choice of a New Brunswick non-profit adult literacy organization must be mailed / emailed on or before August 24, 2020 to:

**Department of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour
c/o Employment & Continuous Learning Services Branch
Council of the Federation Literacy Awards
P.O. Box 6000, 470 York Street
Fredericton (N.B.) E3B 3P7
OR
Email: COF-Awards@gnb.ca**

Nominations will be assessed by a selection committee comprised of representatives from the Department of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour's advisory group on matters related to adult literacy and provincial literacy partners.

The names of the 2020 Canadian Council of the Federation Literacy Award recipients will be announced on International Literacy Day, September 8, 2020. The two New Brunswick recipients (one Anglophone and one Francophone) will be presented with their Council of the Federation Literacy Award medallions and certificates on New Brunswick Literacy Day, April 14, 2021.

Past winners and individual members of the selection committee and their families are not eligible for the Council of the Federation Literacy Award (New Brunswick).



Nomination Form

New Brunswick's 2020 Category: Adult Literacy Volunteer

1. Nominee Information *(Please print clearly and sign below.)*

Name _____

Address — House Number/Street or Route/Postal Box _____

City/Town/Village _____

Province _____

Postal Code _____

Home Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Email _____

Consent to Information Release

By signing my name, I _____ *(signature of nominee)* agree to be nominated for the Council of the Federation Literacy Award and confirm the information provided is accurate. I consent to the release of the information contained in this nomination (name, location and summary of achievements) for award evaluation and selection; and if I receive the award, I also consent to having my name, community, summary of achievements and photograph released to the media and included in the Government of New Brunswick and the Council of the Federation publications for publicity purposes associated with the award.

*** If self-nominated, please proceed directly to Item 3.**

2. Nominator Information *(To be completed if someone other than the nominee is submitting the nomination. (Please print clearly and sign below.)*

Name _____

Address — House Number/Street or Route/Postal Box _____

City/Town/Village _____

Province _____

Postal Code _____

Home Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Email _____

Signature of Nominator _____,

***Please complete Item 3.**

3. Name and address of Non-Profit Adult Literacy Organization *(To be completed by the nominator / self-nominated nominee.)*

Name and address of Non-Profit Adult Literacy Organization

Name and address of New Brunswick Non-Profit Adult Literacy Organization to Receive a Donation