



**Office of Justice Programs Annual Conference on
Crime and Victimization
May 23 & 24, 2023
Award Criteria & Instructions**

The **Distinguished Service Award** recognizes outstanding service to crime victims by a paid professional. Here is how to nominate someone:

- Detail the nominee's **professional work experience** on a separate statement in 500 words or less.
- Service may include improved access/services for underserved crime victims, innovative programming, advancement of victim survivor rights, and fostering fair and respectful treatment of those affected by crime. Please be as specific as possible.
- In your statement, state why the individual nominated should receive the Distinguished Service Award.
- Include name, email address and telephone number of **two** references to validate the information you have provided on the nominee to the steering/selection committee.
- OJP will provide one night lodging and that day's meals for the nominator *and* recipient if selected
- Nominators will be asked to provide a few words at the awards ceremony regarding their nominee.

Dr. William Kosiak Memorial Award

The Kosiak Memorial Award was established in 1989 by the Crime Victim and Witness Advisory Council to honor and preserve the memory of Dr. William Kosiak.

This award recognizes a volunteer who gives their time and energy as an effective advocate for the fair and respectful treatment of crime victims. To nominate a volunteer for this award please do the following:

- Write a brief statement, in 500 words or less to state why the individual nominated should receive the Kosiak Memorial Award.
- Include name, email address and telephone number of **two** references to validate the information provided on the nominee to the steering/selection committee.
- OJP will provide one night lodging and that day's meals for the nominator *and* recipient if selected.
- Nominators will be asked to provide a few words at the awards ceremony regarding their nominee.

Please direct nominations to Conference Director, Joann Jones at joann.jones@state.mn.us