

# Dr. Cora Clemons Emerging Young Samaritan Award Application

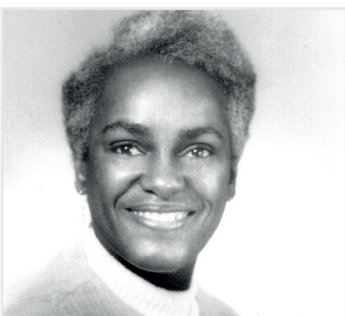


## The Story Begins...

The Dr. Cora Clemons award is inspired by the community service work and selfless spirit of our founder, Dr. Cora Clemons, R.N., M.F.C.C., M.P.H., Ph.D. In 1974, Dr. Clemons was concerned that basic social services of food, housing, and medical care were difficult to access. She saw a need and took action. When she convened her associates, family and friends to discuss the problem, they came up with the idea of forming a nonprofit social services agency located in the north central neighborhood of San Mateo. In December 1974, Samaritan House opened its doors in a two bedroom house with a Salvation Army worker, a representative from the U.C. Department of Nutrition, and visiting staff from the county health department.

Over the years, Samaritan House has grown into a vital countywide agency providing food, shelter, healthcare, clothing, counseling, worker resources, and holiday assistance to those in need. Samaritan House is more dedicated than ever to respecting and fulfilling Dr. Clemons' vision by fighting poverty and lifting lives.

Inspired by Dr. Clemon's life-long learning, dedication and advocacy, we are proud to announce the establishment of the **Dr. Cora Clemons Emerging Young Samaritan Award**.



## Award Description

This annual \$2,000 award recognizes two young change makers in San Mateo County, whose community service work models Dr. Clemons' commitment to service. The award committee welcomes nominees who take initiative to make an impact in their community, and exemplify the value and power of compassion and empathy. Nominees can directly apply or be nominated by a community member.

The award committee welcomes and values all projects and work that honor Dr. Clemons' legacy of fighting poverty and lifting lives. Examples include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Organizing and implementing community service programs/projects that serve others
- Leading/promoting civic activism
- Developing academic outreach programs to local individuals/groups
- Advocating for environmental sustainability

## Award Eligibility

The recipient should meet all of the following requirements:

- 16-22 years old on January 1, 2024
- Lives in and serves community members in San Mateo County
- Represents the commitment to community service that was modeled by Dr. Clemons

Applications must be submitted **by midnight on Monday, February 12, 2024**. The award recipient(s) will be selected in February and recognized at the annual Samaritan House Main Event in March.

To submit an application, go to <https://samaritanhousesanmateo.org/dr-clemons-award/>. You may submit the application online OR send the completed form to [drclemonsaward@samaritanhousesanmateo.org](mailto:drclemonsaward@samaritanhousesanmateo.org).

For questions, please contact the Samaritan House Award Committee: [drclemonsaward@samaritanhousesanmateo.org](mailto:drclemonsaward@samaritanhousesanmateo.org).

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Choose one:

Application for self

- OR -

Nomination by community member

- Nominator's full name

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- Nominator's contact email address

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- Nominator's contact phone number

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- Relationship to the nominee

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Name of applicant/nominee:

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Applicant/nominee's date of birth:

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Applicant/nominee's contact email:

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Applicant/nominee's contact phone number:

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Applicant/nominee's school or place of work:

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Please type or print answers to the following questions:

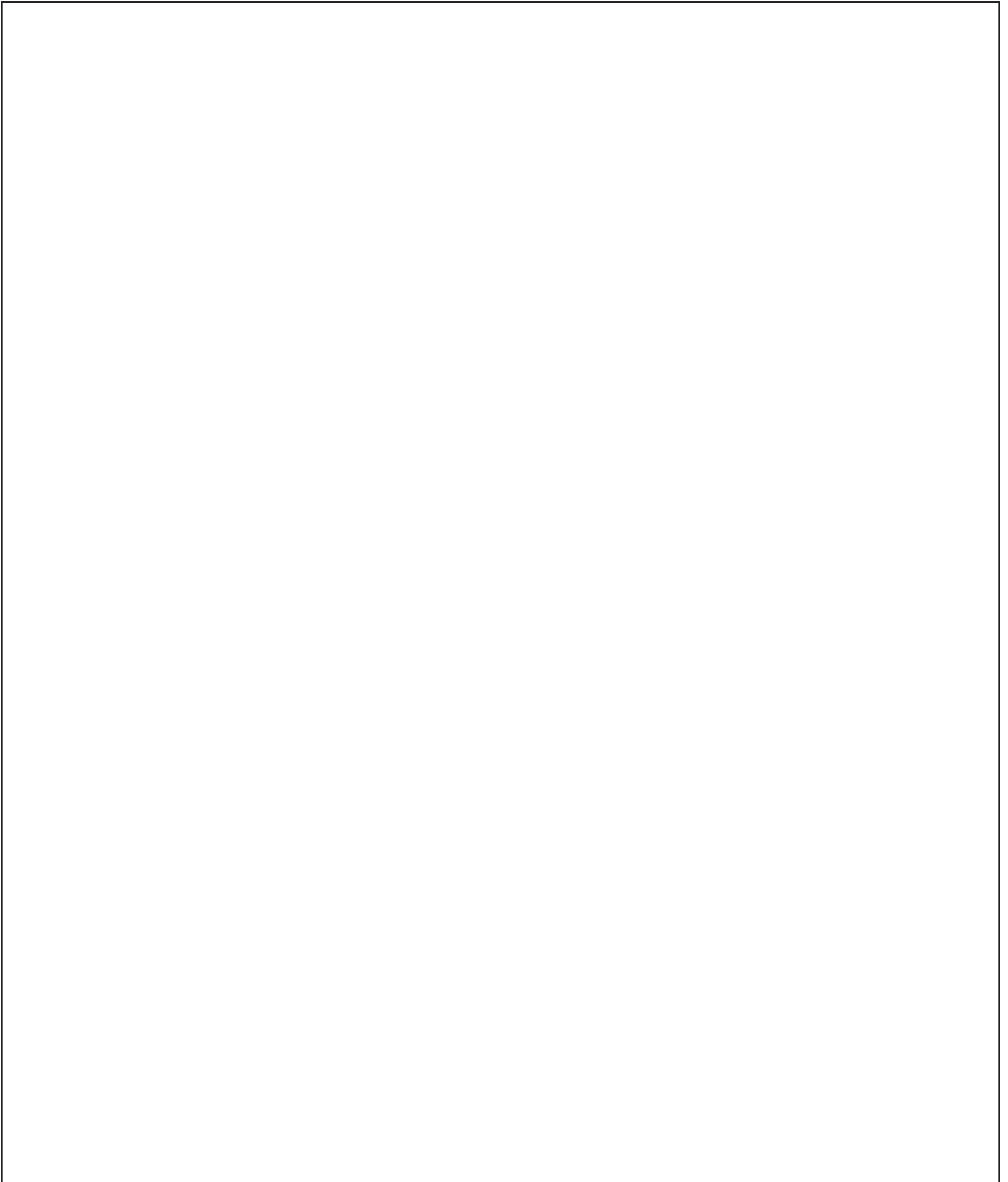
1. What need did the applicant/nominee identify and what action did the individual take to address it?

2. What impact did the applicant/nominee's actions have on the community?

3. What obstacles and challenges did the applicant/nominee encounter?

4. How did the applicant/nominee overcome these obstacles and challenges?

5. Please add anything else that you think would enhance this application.

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