

2020

# AFKA Kinship Family of the Year Nomination Package



**AFKA AWARDS - NOMINATION FORMS PACKAGE**  
**SUBMISSION DEADLINE – JUNE 30TH**

ALBERTA FOSTER AND KINSHIP ASSOCIATION | 303, 9488 – 51 AVENUE NW, EDMONTON, AB T6E 5A6

## KINSHIP FAMILY OF THE YEAR – NOMINATION CRITERIA

### The nominee should:

- Be an active kinship family within the year of nomination.
- Have a minimum of two (2) years kinship care experience.
- Be an active or associate member of the Alberta Foster and Kinship Association and/or their District Foster Parent/Kinship Parent Association.
- Project a positive image of kinship care.
- Encourage and be a support to other kinship families.
- Be an advocate for children in care, their families, and other kinship families.
- Have not received this award in the past

### Who Can Submit a Nomination and how are they submitted?

- Nominations will be accepted from any interested individual.
- Nominations must be submitted on the AFKA nomination forms.

### How many awards will be given out?

One nominee will be selected from each region, per category. With the recent changes to the now North Region, we will be acknowledging the former regions (NW, N. Central and NE) as outlined in this application package. The final selection will be made by the Regional Council or Regional Selection Committee.

### When will the awards will be given out?

The presentation to the Foster Families, Kinship Families and Children's Services Workers of the Year typically takes place at an Awards Banquet during the Annual Alberta Foster and Kinship Association Conference. However, due to recent events and changes, it is yet to be finalized on where and when this banquet will be held. This information will come available asap.

### What do recipients receive in addition to their award?

Recipients receive one (1) nights' hotel accommodations at the host hotel or at a hotel with equivalent rates and receive two (2) banquet tickets for the awards banquet.

### What happens if the nominee is selected but unable to attend the banquet?

Should the nominee(s) be unable to attend the banquet, their award will be sent to them via Canada Post or Courier along with a letter of congratulations.

## WHERE TO SEND NOMINATIONS:

**Please email your nomination forms to the individuals below. Please contact by phone after submitting to confirm receipt of the nomination if you do not receive a confirmation email within 24 hrs. (If there is no phone number listed, please contact our office at 780-429-9923.)**

### **South Region:**

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### **Calgary Region:**

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### **Central Region:**

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### **Edmonton Region:**

Linda Krauskopf

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### **North Region – Northeast Stream**

Email: [info@afkaonline.ca](mailto:info@afkaonline.ca)

### **North Region – Northwest Stream**

Andrea Kolodychuk

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### **North Region – North Central Stream**

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### **Metis Settlements**

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## QUESTIONS?

Please contact the AFKA office Monday – Friday, 8:15 am – 4:30 pm with any questions regarding the nominations process at 780-429-9923 or by email: [info@afkaonline.ca](mailto:info@afkaonline.ca)

## KINSHIP FAMILY OF THE YEAR – NOMINATION FORM

This form is to be filled out by the nominator. You are encouraged to seek information from the District Association, District Office or Regional Council if needed. If filling manually, PLEASE PRINT.

Please fill out the following form to the best of your ability. The more information you can provide, the better. Please feel free to attach an addendum if needed.

I \_\_\_\_\_ recommend that \_\_\_\_\_ (nominee name(s)),  
be considered as a nominee for Kinship Family of the Year.

Nominee's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Kinship Care Support Worker: \_\_\_\_\_

District Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

1. a) How many years has the nominee been involved with kinship care? \_\_\_\_\_

b) Approximate number of children cared for? \_\_\_\_\_

2. a) This Kinship Family is actively involved in: (Please check all that apply)

The Alberta Foster and Kinship Association:

The District (local) Foster Parent/Kinship Care Association:

Regional Council:

b) List specific ways the nominee has helped improve the caregiving experience for kinship parents through participation in the above association(s):

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3. List specific ways this family has demonstrated commitment and acceptance to children in care i.e. Involvement with natural families, unconditional acceptance, and how they advocate for child/family.

4. Give a specific reason as to why you nominated this family.

5. Provide any further comments/reasons why you feel this family deserves to receive this award.

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for submitting your nomination. We will contact nominators to notify them should their nominee be selected to receive an award, as soon as it is possible once final selections have been made.



**SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

**THE COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED  
NO LATER THAN JUNE 30 TO THE APPROPRIATE PARTY  
AS INDICATED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE NOMINATION PACKAGE.**