



BCATO YOUTH SERVICE AWARD

BCATO Youth Award honoring Dr. Richard “Doc” Derstine

Dr. Richard “Doc” Derstine, long-time West Rockhill Township Supervisor, Past BCATO President, and Past PSATS President, served his township, Bucks County, and eventually represented the interest of Township Supervisors statewide. He was a beloved community servant and this award was established to honor outstanding youth who have demonstrated a commitment to their communities and is open to all youth groups such as 4-H, scout troops, school and religious groups, and civic service youth organizations from elementary school through grade 12.

Eligibility

To be eligible, all projects must involve youth in planning and implementation and must have a major impact on townships of the second class in Bucks County (governed by a board of supervisors). Eligible projects must have been undertaken during the contest year, from July 31 to June 30.

Eligible projects include such activities as community beautification, cleanup and fix-up of buildings and litter cleanup projects; Direct services to residents of the community such as the elderly, children, the underprivileged, the disabled, and hospitalized patients. Also eligible are fund-raising projects for worthy causes within a township; conservation, environmental protection, and recycling initiatives; safety; recreation; and blood donation and first aid.

Guidelines

All program entries must be nominated and submitted by their local township chairperson. The BCATO Executive Board will select a winner of a \$500 cash award and be recognized at the organization’s Annual Convention.

Municipality _____

Contact Person _____ Title _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Chairperson _____

**Applications must be received by October 31. Two hard copies must be submitted to:
Executive Director
Bucks County Association of Township Officials
P.O Box 1200
Doylestown PA 18901**

Special Note: The BCATO application and guidelines conform to those of the PSATS Youth Award. One hard copy of the application will be retained by BCATO for its contest the other copy will be submitted to PSATS for entry into that contest. The winner of the PSATS contest receives \$500 and statewide recognition.

For questions about the BCATO contest, please contact the Executive Director at executivedirector@bcato.org.