Requirements to apply:
An individual may be nominated and selected as the Volunteer of the Year for extraordinary accomplishments as a volunteer in youth soccer if the individual—

1) was a volunteer for a State Association or a member of a State Association for at least two seasonal years;
2) is an excellent role model for the community beyond soccer;
3) has favorable relations with other members of the soccer community;
4) demonstrates a willingness to promote players and soccer;
5) is a positive role model for all volunteers;
6) is of sound moral and ethical character;
7) through participation, has increased the opportunities for others to participate in soccer;
8) has not previously received national or other significant recognition from US Youth Soccer for contributions to soccer, but is well known in his or her community and is a true hero of grassroots soccer;
9) has not received any compensation for the volunteer efforts.

Complete home address and phone numbers are required. Please TYPE or PRINT LEGIBLY.

Criteria: Please respond to the following criteria on a separate sheet. Responses should be kept to a maximum of 400 words.

1) Involvement with soccer and community: How and when did the nominated volunteer get involved with soccer? What impact has his/her work had on the local association? Has the nominee demonstrated leadership within the community? What other activities, besides soccer, is the nominee involved in?

2) Promoting the game: What steps has the volunteer taken to further advance the game? Does the administrator participate in the game outside his or her position as a volunteer (i.e. playing, coaching, or refereeing)? Has the nominee created relationships within the community to promote the game? Give examples.

3) Moral and ethical character: What moral and ethical values do the nominated volunteer exhibit? Has the volunteer received compensation for his/her efforts? How has the volunteer’s involvement with soccer shaped his/her existing character?

4) Letters of Recommendation (optional): No more than three letters of recommendation should be included. Others will be discarded.

Entries must be received by August 31st 2023, and they should be sent to the following address:
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