



**Community Resource Services**  
**2025 John T. Shook Community Service Award**  
**Nomination Form**

The John T. Shook Community Service Award pays tribute to a very special friend and longtime CRS Board member who passed away in 2018. John touched the lives of many people in our community. He was dedicated to community service and he volunteered for many local organizations including CRS. In John’s memory, the CRS Board of Directors established an award in his name, to be given annually to an individual or group that embodies John’s commitment to volunteerism for CRS and in our community.

**Nominations:** A nomination form must be completed and submitted by March 5, 2025.

**Selection of Recipient:** Evaluation of nominees and the selection of award recipient will be conducted by a committee comprised of members of John’s family, past and present CRS Board Members and the CRS Executive Director.

The award will be presented at the Annual CRS Charity Ball on April 5, 2025.

Completed nomination forms can be emailed to [pohradzansky@aalcrs.org](mailto:pohradzansky@aalcrs.org) or mailed to Community Resource Services, 33479 Lake Road, Suite C, Avon Lake, OH 44012, attention Pam Ohradzansky.

**Please complete the following:**

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please summarize why you think this person should receive the John T. Shook Award.



2. Please list examples of how the nominee has volunteered for CRS and other organizations in the community.

3. Please include any other information regarding the nominee that you would like the selection committee to consider.

Attach additional pages if necessary.

Name of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Past Award Recipients:**

**2020 Pastor Jeffrey Phail** of Christian-Heritage Church in Avon for his work with the Summer Lunch Program. In 2017 he recognized an opportunity to help feed students who faced food insecurity during the summer months. Pastor Phail organizes hundreds of volunteers from to serve thousands of lunches each summer.

**2021 The Hooks for Hunger Committee** is a group of volunteers who work tirelessly each year to raise funds for CRS through their annual walleye fishing tournament. Since its inception in 2013, this group has donated over \$213,000 to CRS. They have even added more fundraising events such as the King of the Smokehouse and Chili Cookoff contests!

**2022 Mike Kral** is a long-time volunteer for CRS and many other organizations in Avon Lake. He has donated his time and talent to CRS; from board member to webmaster and graphic designer. He continues to be involved in all creative aspects of our special events. Mike's unselfish service to so many Avon Lake organizations made him the selection committee's unanimous choice to receive this award.

**2023 Rich and Candy General** have together and individually volunteered hundreds of hours of their time and talents to bettering the community through their involvement in many local organizations. Many of CRS's seasonal programs have benefitted from their support such as Santa's Workshop, Summer Snack Bags, Easter and the CRS food pantry. Rich and Candy also volunteer for the Avon Lake United Church of Christ, Lorain County Habitat for Humanity, Second Harvest, Love Inc., the Haven Center – Neighborhood Alliance, and Empty Bowls by the Lake.

**2024 Ron Jantz** demonstrates unselfish leadership, dedication, creativity, cooperation, and hard work in his service to others. CRS was fortunate to benefit from his talents, as he served as the Master of Ceremonies and auctioneer of the Charity Ball from 2011 - 2023. Ron has generously volunteered his time and talent to numerous local organizations, including Leadership Lorain County, the Boys and Girls Club of Lorain County, Christ Evangelical Church, Camp Imagine, Avon Lake Youth Baseball Federation, Avon Lake Booster Club, Avon Lake City Schools, and many more.