



California-Hawaii Elks Association Elks Drug Awareness Program Enrique Camarena Award Criteria



The Elks Enrique Camarena Award has been established by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks to recognize and honor Law enforcement officers who have made a significant contribution in the field of drug prevention and who personify Agent Camarena's belief that one person can make a difference.

Special agent Enrique Camarena was a slain DEA Agent, murdered by the Mexican Drug Cartel, while investigating drug trafficking into the United States. He was brutally tortured and killed in 1985. His death precipitated the start of the Red Ribbon Campaign and it was started by the Camarena family and friends as a tribute to Agent Camarena. However, it also serves as a reminder to all of us about the dangers of substance abuse.

CRITERIA:

- Must be an individual, not a corporation or organization
- Must be a law enforcement professional
- Must be a positive role model committed to a healthy lifestyle
- Must have made an outstanding contribution in the field of drug awareness/prevention
- Must have gone beyond normal responsibilities of their position
- If selected, must attend the awards ceremony announced by the Drug Awareness Program Directors

GUIDELINES:

- Nominations must be submitted with the nomination form
- Nominations should be in narrative form and no more than two (2) pages in length and include the following:
 1. How the nominee's commitment has helped youth
 2. Specific Achievements, such as new programs developed
 3. Specific programs, publications, community activities, etc. that the nominee has participated in that encouraged/motivated citizens to take active roles in drug education and prevention
 4. Leadership and organizational abilities of the nominee
 5. Time and effort contributed by the nominee "beyond the call of duty"
 6. Success in recruiting and motivating others
- Letters of support from the nominee's respective community and/or employer are encouraged, but not required.
- Only submissions from the State Chairman will be accepted by the Grand Lodge Drug Awareness Directors.

TIME FRAME:

- Deadlines will be set by each Lodge and District.
- All nominations must be submitted to the CHEA DAP Chairman no later than **October 15, 2023**.
- State nominations must be submitted to the designated Grand Lodge Drug Awareness Program Director by December 31st.



CALIFORNIA-HAWAII ELKS ASSOCIATION NOMINATION FORM

**ELKS DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAM
ENRIQUE S. CAMARENA AWARD**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING NOMINATION IS
October 15, 2023

NOMINEE: _____

Certification

I certify that the above-named nominee meets or exceeds the standards for the Enrique Camarena Award and is the nominee to/from the State of California.

Nominated through _____ Lodge # _____.

Lodge Drug Awareness Chairperson: _____
(Signature)

Lodge Drug Awareness Chairperson: _____
(Print Name)

District Drug Awareness Chairperson: _____
(Signature)

District Drug Awareness Chairperson: _____
(Print Name)

State Drug Awareness Chairman: _____
(Signature)

State Drug Awareness Chairman: _____
(Print Name)

All forms (including supporting documentation) should be included with this cover form and forwarded to:

**John D. McEntire, CHEA DAP Chairman
2021 Paso Verde Drive
Hacienda Heights, CA 91745-4947
Email: jdmcentire@verizon.net**

Chairman: Be sure to include the signature above, before sending the application Packet on to the next level, in addition to printing your name underneath your signature.

ENRIQUE CAMARENA AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Please Print Legibly.

Nominee: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Nominee's Email: _____

Nominee's Employer: _____

Employer's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Employer's Website Address: _____

Person and/or Agency Submitting Nomination:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

- 1) On a separate sheet(s) of paper: Write a 1 – 2-page article on the Nominee's accomplishments in Drug Education and Prevention in their community.
- 2) You can also include endorsements and recommendations from appropriate sources, such as departments, governments, citizens, etc.
- 3) Both quality and quantity of endorsements and recommendations will be considered.
- 4) Include a list of the nominee's previous awards and accomplishments.
- 5) Nominations can be mailed or emailed and must be received on or before **October 15, 2023** to John D. McEntire, CHEA DAP Chairman at:
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