

**Request for Nominations for the  
2004 RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AWARD  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**

*Definition: Restorative Justice addresses the hurts and the needs of the victim, the offender, and the community in such a way that all — victim, offender, and community — might be healed.*

**PURPOSE OF THE AWARD**

The Restorative Justice Award was established in 1991 to recognize Presbyterian individuals, or groups related to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), who are making outstanding contributions to direct-service ministries or to change advocacy related to the criminal justice system.

**CRITERIA**

The person or program works as an agent of justice, service, and peace within the community, embodying the church's call to do justice. The work to be recognized will ordinarily involve a confrontation with injustice and a commitment to transformation of human relations and/or criminal justice structures, so that all God's people can more fully experience justice and peace, consistent with the definition of restorative justice. **If individuals, nominees must be members of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); if groups, they must have a clear connection to this denomination.**

**NOMINATION PROCESS**

Nominations may be submitted by a session, congregation, presbytery or synod, related agency, or other appropriate group within the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); **nominations by individuals are not accepted.** Include:

- (a) the name of the nominee (individual or organization)
- (b) the name of the program or project, if any
- (c) a description of why the nominee is deserving of the award
- (d) the nominating body's name, address, and relationship to the PCUSA.

Those who nominate are welcome to send a reasonable amount of background information, supporting documentation, and other material that will help the National Ministries Division Committee of the General Assembly Council to decide upon the award recipient.

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS  
FOR THE 2004 RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AWARD IS  
April 30, 2004**

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