



### **Do you know outstanding families?**

Bethany for Children & Families invites you to nominate a family or company for a "Family of the Year Award." Winners will receive their honors at the Family Awards Dinner on **November 18, 2010**.

Families may be described in many ways: two-parent and single-parent families, stepfamilies, multi-generational, foster and adoptive. Nominees should be families who support one another with love, nurturing, mutual respect, and caring at home and in the community.

Companies should offer "family friendly" policies that support families in balancing their work and home life.

#### **AWARD CATEGORIES:**

**Corporate:** "Family friendly" company that offers its employees benefits, policies, and practices that support families and that demonstrate a strong commitment to the community.

**Leadership Family:** Exhibits a strong commitment to not only raising their own children and creating a strong family, but also making the Quad Cities' community more child and family-friendly.

**Adoptive Family:** Demonstrates exceptional commitment to creating a new family that is a healthy and supportive place for a child or children to grow.

**Foster Family:** Creates a safe, nurturing environment for children who have been placed outside their own homes, while providing exceptional care for these children.

**Advocate:** An individual that has advocated for policy that enhances the lives of children and families, presented a family-strengthening initiative, held a public discussion or lent support to legislation to improve the lives of children and families.

#### **Volunteer:**

An individual who has generously served within the agency to enhance, promote, and support the services and programs of Bethany for Children & Families.

#### **How to nominate a family:**

- Complete the nomination form on the reverse side of this page. Nominees should be located within 60 miles of the Quad Cities metropolitan area.
- Answer the questions about the family or company on an 8 ½ X 11 sheet of paper.
- Mail all forms to:  
Bethany for Children & Families  
Family of the Year Awards  
P. O. Box 697  
Moline, IL 61266-0697  
You may send forms by fax to (309) 797.2386, or e-mail: [jhager@bethany-qc.org](mailto:jhager@bethany-qc.org)
- The nomination form is on our web site at [www.bethany-qc.org](http://www.bethany-qc.org)
- Nominated families and companies may be asked to provide additional information. A selection committee from the community and previous award recipients will choose the winners.
- Questions? Call (309) 736.6633 or e-mail [jhager@bethany-qc.org](mailto:jhager@bethany-qc.org)



**2010 Family of the Year Awards  
Nomination Form**

Categories:

- Corporate       Leadership       Adoptive  
 Foster       Advocate       Volunteer

Parent(s) Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Family's Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Corporate or Advocate Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

**Award Information:**

Nominate a family or company by completing this form and answering the following questions on two 8-1/2 X 11 sheets of paper.

1. What are the reasons you have nominated this family, company, or individual?
2. In what specific ways has this family, company, or individual demonstrated its commitment to the family and/or the community in the category for which it is nominated?
3. How has this family, company, or individual made a difference in the lives of others?

**Mail to:**

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**Family of the Year Award  
categories**

A panel of judges selected from the community and previous awardees will choose a winner from each of the award categories. Winners will receive their award at the Family Awards Dinner in November 2010.

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