

Jefferson County  
**Direct Support Specialist Nomination Form**

The Jefferson County Developmental Disabilities Resource Board advisory committee, TOGETHER, is now accepting nominations for 2011 Direct Support Professional Award. All nominees will be recognized at the *JCDDR / NextStep for Life* Annual Staff Conference in August 2011. Outstanding Performance Awards will be given to the highest rated nominees. Recipients of these awards are people who provide direct support for individuals with developmental disabilities and who are dedicated to providing opportunities for the people they serve to become active, valued members of the Jefferson County community. To be nominated, an individual must meet the following criteria:

- A. Be employed full or part-time in Jefferson County and working with individuals living in Jefferson County.
- B. Spend 85-100% of her/his time in direct support with no staff supervision responsibilities.
- C. Hold a position that DOES NOT require any college hours.
- D. Demonstrate consistent, outstanding achievement.
- E. Exhibit sincere dedication.

**Nominations must be RECEIVED by July 1, 2011.**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Employing Agency (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Director Signature (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the nominee? \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions. To protect the confidentiality of people supported, use fictitious names or initials if necessary. Include additional information and support letters or documents, as you are able. The TOGETHER Group may contact you for additional information as needed.

1. How long has the Nominee worked in this field? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Which area of support does the Nominee work?

Vocational     Day Services     Residential     Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Specify respite, recreation/leisure, transportation, etc.)

3. What other awards/honors has the Nominee been nominated for or received?

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(Continue comments on separate page if additional space is needed. Thank you!)

