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## **Community Invited to Nominate Outstanding Student, Adult and Business for Annual Award**



Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin is looking for Orland Park students, adults, and businesses that demonstrate and share kindness.

Everyone is invited to nominate an individual or business for the “Orland Park is Kind Awards” that will be presented at the mayor’s 2017 State of the Village Address in March.

“This year’s State of the Village is titled, ‘Orland Park is Kind,’ because we truly believe in celebrating all acts of kindness – both big and small,” McLaughlin said. “The volunteer of the year recognition was created to honor Orland Park individuals and businesses that take that extra step to help other people.”

Everyone is invited to nominate a student younger than 18 years of age, an adult, and an Orland Park business that have demonstrated or continue to demonstrate kindness. All nominees must live within the Village of Orland Park and the business must be located within the village.

“Every day, residents come into contact with someone going the extra mile to do something nice,” McLaughlin said. “We want to recognize these people and thank them for being an example of a kind and caring community.”

Orland Park residents are also encouraged to invite schools, service clubs, scouts, religious communities, the chamber, first responders, and sports organizations to submit nominations for any of the three nomination categories.

The nomination form includes a 100-words or less essay and forms are available at the information desk located at the Village Hall and online at <http://www.orland-park.il.us/FormCenter/Public-Information-12/Volunteer-of-the-Year-Nomination-96>.

All nominations must be submitted by December 1, 2016.

Nominations may be mailed to the Village of Orland Park Mayor's Office, 14700 Ravinia Avenue, Orland Park, IL 60462, or emailed to [jhodge@orlandpark.org](mailto:jhodge@orlandpark.org).

The winners in each of the three categories will be honored by the mayor at the State of the Village Address at Carl Sandburg High School at 6:30 p.m. on March 7, 2017. The address is free and open to the public.

For more information, call (708) 403-6399.