The A.L. Carlisle Child Advocacy Award is presented by the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) annually to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to youth, to juvenile justice improvement efforts, or in the broader area of juvenile justice and delinquency prevention concerns.

The following criteria are among those used to select the award recipient:
- Has been a role model for youth
- Assisted in passing legislation to assist justice-involved youth
- Positively contributed to the judicial system to assist youth
- Developed or implemented a pioneering youth program or initiative
- Contributed to improvements in the area of delinquency prevention
- Served as an outstanding juvenile justice worker/practitioner
- Spent many years contributing to juvenile justice improvement efforts
- Made a significant impact on juvenile justice system reform

The award is named in honor of A.L. Carlisle, the founder of CJJ. Starting out as a volunteer activist dedicated to the nation’s most troubled and vulnerable youth, she eventually served as the first CJJ National Chair from 1979 - 1987.

The saying goes that, in its formative years, “the National Coalition was run out of A.L.’s kitchen in Maine!”

Past recipients include:

1992: Doreitha Madden (NJ)  
1993: Robert M. Hunter (CO)  
1994: Birch Bayh (IN)  
1995: Terry Edwards (NJ)  
1996: Bernardine Hall Adams (LA)  
1997: George B. Rasin, Jr. (MD)  
1998: Frank A. Orlando (FL)  
1999: Allison Fleming (IA)  
2000: Stacey F. Atkinson (SC)  
2001: Irene Abernethy (NE)  
2002: Robert Mardis (IN)  
2003: Linda W. Hayes (NC)  
2004: Robert E. Shepherd, Jr. (VA)  
2005: Sharon Harrigfeld (ID)  
2006: B. Thomas Leahy (NJ)  
2007: John Dewese (SC)  
2008: William R. Byars, Jr. (SC) and Linda O’Neal (TN)  
2009: Vincent N. Schiraldi (DC)  
2010: Robert G. Schwartz (PA)  
2011: Christopher Murphy (CT)  
2012: Richard J. Gardell (MN)  
2013: Robin Jenkins (NC)  
2014: David Schmidt (NM)  
2015: Michael Mayer (MN)  
2016: Laurie Garduque (IL)  
2017: Hon. George W. Timberlake (IL)  
2018: Sen. Chuck Grassley (IA)

Nomination Instructions
Please read through the following information fully before completing the online nomination form.

Nominations are scored based on the responses provided in the Questions Section. There are four (4) questions in total. Three (3) are worth five (5) points; the fourth (4th) is worth ten (10) points. Please be clear and concise in your writing. The quality of the answers can affect how nomination submissions are viewed.

All questions must be answered for a nomination to be scored. The Nomination Checklist is provided (below) for your convenience. Please be sure to have all of the following information ready when you complete the online nomination form. Following this page is an example of what will be asked in the online nomination form. Paper nominations will not be accepted.

Nomination Checklist

☐ Nominee/Nominator Contact Information Fields
☐ Nominee Narrative Questions
☐ Optional Supporting Documents – You may attach up to two (2) supporting documents to your application. Please see the list of appropriate materials provided at the end of this form. These will not be scored, but will be considered as part of the overall evaluation process.
☐ Review carefully before submitting. All fields must be completed for a submission to be considered.

Online Nomination Form

Please complete your nomination using the following link:

Deadline for Submissions

Nominations are due to CJJ by Friday, March 8, 2019, at 11:59 PM ET

Questions

Contact Laura, CJJ Policy and Field Relations Associate, at armstrong@juvjustice.org.
SAMPLE PURPOSES ONLY!
ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED
THROUGH THE ONLINE NOMINATION LINK

Nominee Information
Salutation:
First Name:
Last Name:
Title:
Organization:
Street Address:
City:  State:  Zip:
Email:
Phone:
Does your Nominee know he/she is being nominated? Yes ☐ No ☐ Unsure ☐
Length of time Nominee has been in current position?

Nominator Information
Full Name:
Title:
Organization:
Street Address:
City:  State:  Zip:
E-mail:
Phone:
How long have you known the Nominee?
In what capacity do you know the Nominee?
Questions Section

Please answer the following four (4) questions. Answers should include concrete examples and instances showcasing contributions to youth, juvenile justice improvement efforts, or the broader area of juvenile justice and delinquency prevention concerns.

Responses are capped at 2,500 characters. Additional text cannot be accepted as part of the application.

1. Provide a brief overview of the nominee, addressing the award criteria, as noted on the award announcement (first page of this document). (5 Points)

2. Describe the nominee’s most important and relevant work (professional and/or volunteer activities, roles and duties performed, years of service, etc.). (5 Points)

3. What are some of the nominee’s unique personal qualities that make him/her an effective and exceptional advocate for children? (5 Points)

4. What specific impact has the nominee’s advocacy work had on children, families, and the community? (10 Points)
Optional Supporting Documents

You may include up to two (2) of the following types of attachments to illustrate your nomination information. These will not be scored, but will be given to the review committee as materials to reinforce the narrative portion of your nomination. Whenever possible, please submit in PDF format.

Examples of potential supporting documents include, but are not limited to:

☐ Press release
☐ News report
☐ Brochure
☐ Fact sheet
☐ Current resume of nominee
☐ Personal/Professional Letters of Support