

The Donna Holwell Legacy Award honours individuals who, through their dedication and commitment to retirement living, have created a “legacy” of work resulting in positive change and measurable difference for the sector. Nominations are invited for individuals who have a demonstrated history of service in various capacities: exceptional people who have contributed both personally and professionally to the betterment of our sector, especially throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. If you know someone who fits the criteria, recognize them with a Donna Holwell Legacy Award nomination!

Donna Holwell's Legacy



Donna’s contribution to the retirement community sector is a shining example of her passion for seniors housing demonstrated by her countless volunteer hours and activities. Her commitment was made both locally in her hometown of Orangeville and on a broader scale through the ORCA (Ontario Retirement Communities Association) Board, Ontario Seniors Secretariat, and RHRA (Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority) committee work.

Donna was always the first to raise her hand when an opportunity arose to ensure seniors continue to have choice, autonomy, and quality of life. Donna’s legacy will remind us that she was truly an extraordinary person.

Past honourees: Debbie Doherty from Debbie Doherty Enterprises Inc. (2017), Millie Christie from Verve Senior Living (2018), Dr. Ron Schlegel from Schlegel Villages (2019), Karen Sullivan from Chartwell Retirement Residences (2020), Jackie Dusome from All Seniors Care (2021), and Bob Kallonen from Amica Senior Lifestyles (2022).

Nomination Criteria:

- ❖ **15 years of dedicated service** and commitment to the seniors housing sector with a majority focus on retirement living.
- ❖ **Proven ability to move groups** of diverse people and organizations to a common goal for the betterment of the retirement community sector.
- ❖ **Demonstrated achievements** designed to leave a lasting legacy and impact on the retirement community sector.
- ❖ **Gained respect of peers**, government officials, and community liaison groups.
- ❖ **Provided inspiration** and illustrated personal integrity.
- ❖ Involved in an organization that has maintained an **active ORCA Membership**.
- ❖ More than one person may be nominated from an organization.
- ❖ Nomination must be from an ORCA member and cannot be a relative.
- ❖ Nominees who are unsuccessful this year may be re-submitted the following year without additional paperwork at the nominator’s discretion.

Submission:

- ❖ The nomination form is available [here](#), on the next page, or on ORCA’s member [website](#).
- ❖ Submit all supporting information along with the form to madeleine@orcaretirement.com.
- ❖ **The submission deadline is August 20, 2023.**
- ❖ The successful honouree(s) of the Donna Holwell Legacy Award will be chosen by the past six honourees.
- ❖ The award will be presented during the Banquet Dinner at ORCA CON on September 13, 2023.
- ❖ The honouree(s) will be included in ORCA promotional materials regarding the award.

Nomination Guidelines:

- ❖ Nominee must be from the sector – retired/volunteer/working/posthumously.

The 2023 Donna Holwell Legacy Award Nomination Form

Your Name:	Your Company:
Your Email:	Your Phone Number:

Nominee Details

Name:	Position:
Company:	Email:
Phone Number:	

Nominee Information

Other supporting documentation is welcome, maximum of 3 files: photo and/or short video of the nominee in action, statements from others about the nominee's contribution or any other supporting information.

A description of how the nominee contributes/contributed to the sector (200 words or less)

Description of the difference their contribution makes/made (200 words or less)

Description of why their contribution is unique or extraordinary (200 words or less)