



NATIVE VILLAGE OF KOTZEBUE

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Tribal Government serving the Iñupiaq people of Qikiqtaġruk.

NVOK Awards Nomination Form

Nominations for the 2024 NVOK Awards are open through 4:30 p.m. on July 11, 2024. NVOK Awards will be presented at the 2024 Annual Meeting on July 16 in Kotzebue. For more information about the NVOK Awards, please contact Alice Melton-Barr at (907) 442-3467.

To submit a nomination(s), send a completed form via email to alice.meltonbarr@gira.org or mail it to P.O. Box 296 Kotzebue, AK 99752.

NVOK Awards Nomination Criteria

Please refer to the information below when completing the nomination form.

Elder of the Year

- Nominee must be 62 years of age or older
- Demonstrates a leadership role in decisions affecting Iñupiat people in Northwest Alaska
- Consistently models and practices Iñupiat Illitqusiat values in daily life
- Active in teaching Iñupiaq language and culture
- Makes other contributions benefiting the overall lifestyle of Tribal Members
- Must be a NVOK Tribal Member

Tribal Member of the Year

- Shows leadership within the community of Kotzebue
- Contributes to the community of Kotzebue
- Helps preserve the Iñupiat culture and heritage
- Makes other contributions benefiting the overall lifestyle of Tribal Members
- Must be a NVOK Tribal Member

Youth of the Year

- Nominee must be a high school or college student
- Demonstrates leadership to advance the role of youth in decisions affecting the future of Kotzebue

- Models Iñupiat Illitqusiak values consistently to demonstrate it's "cool to be Iñupiat" among peers
- Excels academically and lives a healthy lifestyle
- Makes other contributions benefiting the overall lifestyle of Tribal Members
- Must be a NVOK Tribal Member

Please check the Award for which you are nominating a Tribal Member (choose one):

Elder of the Year Tribal Member of the Year Youth of the Year

Instructions: Please provide background information on the nominee and describe why they should be considered. Applications received without descriptions will not be accepted.

Use a blank sheet of paper to write additional information if needed.

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ **Email Address (optional):** _____

Provide background information about the nominee:

Describe the nominee's involvement in local, regional, statewide and/or other activities (100-200 words):

Provide information on what this individual has done on behalf of their community or region (100-200 words):

Share how the nominee has demonstrated dedication and commitment to improving the lives of our people (100-200 words):

Provide unique quotes, well-known guidance given, or any other information that is unique to the nominee:

Nominated by: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ **Email Address (optional):** _____