



The Kidney Foundation of Canada’s Ontario Impact Awards formally celebrates individuals of all ages including volunteers, healthcare professionals, groups, organizations, and employees across the province who have made significant and unique contributions that make us a stronger, more vibrant, and effective organization.

	Volunteer Recipients	Employee Recipients
2024	Kathleen Zavarise, Jose Medeiros, Marlene Smith, James Bellamy, Order of the Eastern Star of Ontario, Kuldip Singh, Piko Mbolekwa, The Kazman Foundation for Charitable Giving, Katie Skidmore, Kevin Mallia	Dickson Li, Tannis McMillan
2023	Dr. Norman Muirhead, Lobo Cheng, Michael Moore, George Beauchamp, Tom and Judy Stobbe, Uzma Quadri, Mary Diemer, Queen’s Kidney Club, Elaine Hayter, Jason Lumb	Julie Hunt, Erika Muscat
2022	Andrew Vanwyk, Sara Rafuse, Joseph Gallagher, Drewlo Holdings, Dianne Yeboah, Keung To Canada Fan Club, Michaela Pagazani, Florencia Gonzalez, Kristin Cuttress, Dr. Veronica Silva, The Tricar Group	Monica Sulej, Debbie Dunham
2021	Emily Campbell, Monika Dylewski, Mike Fleurie, Mark and Lisa Lambert, Peer Support Facilitators (Lisa Huhn, Joseph Gallagher, Maureen Rush, Rosemary Lejeune, Carol Sallasvaara, Betty Seminowicz, Lori Vanwyk, Andrew Vanwyk, Bonnie Lilien, David Lilien, Ranjeev Sethi, Jatin Sudhir, Dan Slater, Nadia Khaiati, June Jones, Mauro Burri, Francine Girarad-Griffth, Larry Griffith, Francois-Rene Dussault, Joel Robinet, and the late Karen McNamara), Radiothon Committee Volunteers, Renal Social Workers at Trillium Health Partners (Gloria Mullin, Mary Mariano, Bobby Kaur, Kylie Katz and Anitaa Gregory) and Peter Yuen	Sadia Baig, Julia Beljo

President's Award

The President’s Award, chosen by the Ontario Branch President, is presented in recognition of an individual or group who has assisted the President in advancing our mission and vision.

2024: Anthony Tirone

2023: Craig Kerr

2022: Dave Cybulski

2021: Craig Lindsay

2020: Executive Director Search Committee (Terry Young, Mary-Pat Shaw, Chris Costanza, Dr. Norm Muirhead, Elizabeth Myles)

2019: Daniela Piotrowski

2018: Carol Kostoff

2017: Terry Young

2016: Harvey Thomson

2015: Wendy Kudeba

2014: Ron Kenny

2013: Special 50th Anniversary Volunteer Recognition

2012: Anthony Tirone

2011: Peter Davis

2010: Richard Harvey

2009: Jim O'Brien

2008: Harvey Thomson

2007: Ontario Chapter Presidents (Helene Beaulieu, Richard Harvey, Leanne McDougall, Janet Morgan, Jason Nieuwets, P. Kirk Patterson, Time Phillips, Derek Shaw, Marlene Smith, Kathy Spong)

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Alfred E. Coll Award of Excellence, Leadership & Distinguished Service

This award is presented in the name of the late Alfred E. Coll, who was President of the Ontario Branch from 1986-1988 and National President from 1988-1989. The award was initiated to honour his outstanding service and for his valued role in the formation of the Ontario Government Relations Committee (1988), of which he was the first Chair.

This award is presented in recognition of an individual who has provided outstanding **leadership** and **service** and has made a **significant contribution, impact** and **commitment** to the **Ontario Branch**.

2020: Greg Robbins

2019: No award presented

2018: No award presented

2017: Craig Kerr

2016: No award presented

2015: No award presented

2014: No award presented

2013: Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented

2012: Ken Mylrea

2011: Terry Young

2010: Tim Phillips

2009: Dr. William Clark

2008: Riva Grinshpan

2007: Harvey Thomson

Outstanding Volunteer Award

This award is presented to an individual who exemplifies the **spirit of volunteerism** and has made a positive **impact** in support of the mission of The Kidney Foundation, through exceptional **commitment, service, creativity, cooperation** and/or **leadership**.

2020: Nikki Wagar, Patrick McConnell, J.D. Power

2019: Anna Cheung, Marci Oliverio, Wayne & Heather Sampson, Elda Sauder, Teresa Walchuk

2018: Maureen Bertrand, Justin Hayes and Carryl Potter

2017: Liz Giacinti, Marina Tremonti, Pauline Young

2016: Susan Tkachuk

2015: Pauline Cernigoj, Lynn Caskie

2014: Michael McCormick, Harvey Thomson

2013: Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented

2012: Sue Wood, Craig Kerr

2011: Alison Thomas

2010: Francois Rene Dussault, Fred Peters

2009: Murray Sutherland

2008: Susan Tkachuk

2007: Marlene Smith

Award of Merit - Outstanding Partner

This award is presented in recognition of a partnership between The Kidney Foundation and an organization such as a health charity, health organization, community service agency, health or renal unit, media, corporation, business, or government agency. The recipient of this award will have demonstrated commitment to the Foundation through a creative and/or long-standing partnership. The partnership must have a demonstrated impact on the work of the Foundation, as evidenced through financial, human resource or in-kind contributions within the province.

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2020: Cavalier Tool & Manufacturing Ltd, Drewlo Holdings, Linamar Corporation, Kidney Car Partners; Nicklin Auto Parts & Recyclers, Hollywood North Auto Parts, Kenny U Pull, Sarnia Auto Wreckers, Glencoe Auto Recyclers
2019: Cellular Point/Value Mobile (Bobby & Vinny Maker); Kenny U-Pull
2018: Doug Bain, Royal LePage Realty Sarnia; Benson Sy, Greenfield Golf
2017: Value Village, Caesars Windsor, Heidi Westfield
2016: Entripy Custom Clothing, Longo's, and, Northleaf Capital Partners

2015: David E. White, Sarnia Golf & Curling Club Pro Am Committee
2014: FleishmanHillard Toronto, Co-operator's - Franco Filia
2013: No awards - Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented
2012: Not awarded
2011: Ontario Renal Network
2010: Leo Pharma
2009: Rainbow Printer's
2008: Amgen Canada Inc.

Programs and Services Award

This award is presented in recognition of an individual or group, including healthcare professionals, educators, support service/community workers, for their outstanding contribution to programs and services through **education and awareness** of kidney health, kidney disease, and organ donation.

In the **spirit of volunteerism**, such an individual or group would exemplify **leadership**, reliability, and commitment to activities that have demonstrated significant **impact** on the kidney community and support the vision and mission of The Kidney Foundation of Canada.

2020: Kingston Health Sciences Centre: Regional Renal Patient & Family Advisory, Windsor Regional Hospital Renal Program
2019: Claire Chartrand (Niagara Health System), Scarborough Health Network Nephrology Program
2018: Ingrid Watt
2017: Lion's Camp Dorset
2016: Camp Kivita

2015: Friendly Visitor Program Volunteers
2014: June Martin
2013: No awards - Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented
2012: Jill Campbell
2011: Kidney Connect Peer Support Facilitators
2010: Ontario Government Relations Committee
2009: Volunteer Van Drivers, Sarnia

Excellence in Fundraising Award

This award is presented in recognition of an individual, chapter or team that has **developed** and **implemented** a fundraising program or project that **attains** or **exceeds** its revenue goal. A priority will be placed on **outcomes** that demonstrate an **effective net return** to support the mission of The Kidney Foundation. **Innovative** programs which expand **awareness** and engage **new supporters** or effectively **steward** and upgrade the contributions of current donors will also be a consideration in the selection of the recipient of this award.

2020: Rita Dillon
2019: Mitch Garber
2018: Rhonda Noll, Jason McAdoo, Dawn Telgen
2017: Al G. Brown & Associates

2013: No awards - Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented
2012: Valerie Cronin
2011: Breanna Elliotson
2010: Windsor Walk Committee
2009: Federated Health Charities

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2016: Aaron Martin, Rick Orser, and,
Christopher Pennington

2015: Sutherland Family, Erin Stimac

2014: Dean Newman (Cresa Partners Ltd.)

2008: Health Partners

2007: Deano Demelo

Award of Merit: Excellence in Leadership

The recipient of this award is selected in recognition of an individual or group who exemplifies outstanding leadership in advancing the work of the Foundation. It recognizes those who are committed to excellence in their service and exhibits integrity, collaboration and performs at a level that inspires others. The recipient of this award has helped the kidney community realize the vision and mission of The Kidney Foundation of Canada.

2020: Jim O'Brien

2019: Sam Watt

2018: Susan Tkachuk

2017: Greg Robbins

2016: Benson Sy

2015: Dr. Norman Muirhead

Award of Merit

The recipient of this award is selected in recognition of an individual or group who has helped the kidney community realize the vision and mission of The Kidney Foundation of Canada

2020: Michelle DiNardo, Cristina Howorun, June Jones

2019: Mike Mastronardi

2018: Sharri & Lewis Anderson

2017: Anita Lam

Kidney Walk Award of Excellence

This award is presented to individuals who have made a significant contribution to the overall results of the Kidney Walks including financial, human resource, new partnerships, in-kind, and/or public awareness.

2020: Brian & Jay Armitage, Ranjeev Sethi, Belinda Robertson, Sarnia-Lambton Chapter Walk & its top fundraising team Twisted Sisters

2019: Alisa Cheddi, Tracy Patrick, Christopher Pennington, Angela Pestowka, Sutherland Family, Ericka Swaby, Team – Hero's & Warriors, Team Luz Mueca

Ontario Branch Award for Leadership in Philanthropy

This award is presented in recognition of a long-standing leadership or major gift donor (corporate, foundation or individual) whose financial support has **extended over a number of years** and have had a major impact on advancing the work of the Foundation.

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In the **spirit of volunteerism**, such an individual or group would exemplify **leadership**, reliability, and commitment to activities that have demonstrated significant **impact** on the kidney community and support the vision and mission of The Kidney Foundation of Canada.

2020: Not awarded

2019: Werger Realty Ltd. (Allen & Jerry Werger)

2018: Anna Monteduro, Mario Frangione

2017: Susan Storey

2016: Michael Schlater

2015: Dr. Faisal Rehman, Jed Dadson

2014: Astellas Pharma Canada Inc.

2013: No awards - Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented

2012: Not awarded

2011: Mr. Ferit Tecimer and Mr. Victor Royce

Ontario Branch Award for Leadership in Major Gift Fundraising

This award is presented in recognition of one individual's fundraising efforts **over a number of years** or through one or more large fundraising initiatives to approach and secure leadership or major gifts on behalf of the Kidney Foundation.

In the **spirit of volunteerism**, such an individual would exemplify **leadership**, reliability, and commitment to activities that have demonstrated significant **impact** on the kidney community and support the vision and mission of The Kidney Foundation of Canada.

2011: Riva Grinshpan

Outstanding Chapter of the Year

This award is presented to a Chapter or Unit which has demonstrated sustained commitment and has impacted the Ontario Branch through:

- Fund development
- Community engagement
- Responsible stewardship
- Development and strengthening of relationships, including donors, volunteers, partners and/or employees
- Strategic planning in support of the mission

2020: Not awarded

2019: Hamilton & District & Niagara District Chapters

2018: Central Ontario Chapter

2017: Waterloo Wellington & District Chapter

2016: African Caribbean Kidney Association, Brampton, Brant County, and, North Bay Chapters

2015: Northern Superior Chapter

2014: Chinese Renal Association

2013: No awards - Special 50th Anniversary Awards presented

2012: Sarnia Lambton Chapter

2011: Sault Ste. Marie Unit

2010: Southwestern Ontario Chapter

2009: Not awarded

2008: Windsor & District Chapter

2007: Sarnia Lambton Chapter