



*2012 Mary L. Thomas Award  
for Civic Leadership & Community Change*

The deadline for nominations is January 13, 2012.

Before submitting your nomination, please review the eligibility requirements.

Through the Mary L. Thomas Award for Civic Leadership and Community Change, The Spartanburg County Foundation is seeking to recognize individuals who:

- Have in the last 12 months documented evidence of making a positive impact on the Spartanburg community through one or more innovative projects, thereby improving the quality of life for its citizens.
- Are residents of Spartanburg County, South Carolina.
- Are not typically in the limelight but perform valuable public service at the community level.
- Are connected to a Spartanburg County nonprofit organization, either as a volunteer or through paid employment.

\*Note: Incomplete Nominations will not be considered.  
Late submissions will not be considered.

**Nominee Information**

Name of person being nominated:	
Address of nominee:	
City, State, Zip of nominee:	
Telephone of nominee:	
Email of nominee:	
Nonprofit affiliation:	
Is this person a resident of Spartanburg County?	

**Nominator Information**

Name of person making the nomination:	
Address of nominator:	
City, State, Zip of nominator:	
Telephone of nominator:	
Email of nominator:	

You must submit three letters of reference for your nomination. Please fill out the information below for each letter of reference.

**#1 Reference Information**

Name of Reference:	
Address of Reference:	
City, State, Zip of Reference:	
Telephone of Reference:	
Email of Reference:	

**#2 Reference Information**

Name of Reference:	
Address of Reference:	
City, State, Zip of Reference:	
Telephone of Reference:	
Email of Reference:	

**#3 Reference Information**

Name of Reference:	
Address of Reference:	
City, State, Zip of Reference:	
Telephone of Reference:	
Email of Reference:	

Please complete your three to five page narrative that addresses the following questions:

- I. Innovator  
During the last 12 months, what ideas did the person bring to fruition to address one or more of the critical community issues facing the Spartanburg community? Please provide at least two examples and include how the person implemented each idea.
  
- II. Community Leader  
How did this person provide leadership and act as an agent for community change in the last 12 months? What added value was this person able to bring to the Spartanburg community? Please provide at least two examples for each question.
  
- III. Contributor to Community Change  
How has this person demonstrated leadership in working with the Spartanburg community, particularly the grassroots community, to bring about positive community change in the last 12 months? Please provide two examples of how this person was able to engage all segments of the community, including the number of people impacted and specific accomplishments.

Please attach the cover sheet and three letters of reference to your narrative and mail your nomination to:

MLT Award for Civic Leadership & Community Change  
c/o The Spartanburg County Foundation  
424 East Kennedy Street  
Spartanburg, SC 29302

**Nominations must be received by Friday, January 13, 2012.**

For more information about the Mary L. Thomas Award for Civic Leadership & Community Change, please visit [www.spcf.org](http://www.spcf.org).

For questions regarding the nomination of a candidate for consideration, please contact The Spartanburg County Foundation at (864) 582.0138.