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## **Annual awards nominations sought**

**NEWARK --** The Licking County Board of Developmental Disabilities (LCBDD) seeks nominations to honor those who go the extra mile to support people with disabilities.

Residents of Licking County are encouraged to submit nominations for the annual Above & Beyond and Jane Marsh Disability Awareness Awards. To obtain nomination forms, please call the LCBDD Administration Office at (740) 349-6588; or (800) 325-2848. Forms also may be downloaded from the agency's Web site at [www.LCountyDD.org/news.htm](http://www.LCountyDD.org/news.htm). All completed nomination forms must be returned to the LCBDD Administration Office at the Eleanor S. Weiant Center, 116 N. 22nd St., Newark, OH 43055.

The deadline to submit nominations is Feb. 4.

The awards will be presented during the organization's Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day luncheon on March 19 at the E.S. Weiant Center. All award winners will be notified in advance.

The Above & Beyond Award is the LCBDD's highest honor. It is given infrequently and selectively. The elite group of past honorees have included West Licking Special Olympics, Vaughn's Barber Shop, Lacy Colegrove and the patrons of the Broad Steet Tavern, and the Druids organization.

Since 2000, the Jane Marsh Awards have been presented annually to one business or organization, and one individual or group. It is named for the late Jane Marsh, a pioneer in the local developmental disabilities community. A perpetual plaque, located at the Weiant Center, hosts the names of past recipients including Meijer Inc., Camp Ohio, Bayer MaterialScience, local service provider Gerlene Stewart, and parent-advocate and volunteer Phyllis Colvin.

The LCBDD provides comprehensive services to more than 1,300 Licking County children and adults with developmental disabilities, and their families. The agency offers administration and early intervention services at the E.S. Weiant Center in Newark; adult services at LICCO Inc. in Heath; service coordination; family respite; and county-wide residential supports and transportation services.

The LCBDD is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for providing high-quality support services to individuals with disabilities and their families.

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