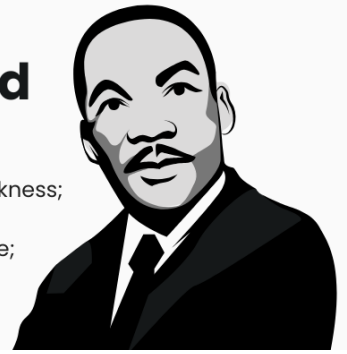




MLK Peace and Justice Award

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Darkness cannot drive out darkness;
only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate;
only love can do that.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. ” —



This coming January will mark our 38th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration. The MLK Committee has been working diligently throughout the year to build on previous celebrations and plan activities to inspire, educate, promote peace and justice, and remember the work of Dr. King. **Each year, we honor a deserving individual or group whose work exemplifies the dream of Dr. King with our Peace & Justice Award.**

This will be the 23rd year that the MLK Peace and Justice Award will be awarded.

Some of the prior recipients of the MLK Peace and Justice Award include: Dina White, Sisters of Saint Francis, Vinson Jetter, LaMetta Wynn, YWCA Clinton, Tiffany Harris, Leslie McCreery, Mardell Mommsen, Brian Guy, Tom Otto and Pam Rehr-Otto, Lori Freudenberg, Dr. William Woods, Dick Kissack, Jennifer Graf, John Bonte, Dr. Karen Vickers, and Scott Stubblefield.

We know there are many more in our community who share Dr. King's vision and would be deserving of the 23rd Annual MLK Peace and Justice Award. **A Nomination form is enclosed and we encourage you, or a group with which you may be affiliated, to nominate someone you believe is deserving of this Award.** Perhaps it's someone who works behind the scenes or someone who is quite visible; lending support for special activities, working politically or as an example of peace and justice in his/her everyday life. **If you would prefer to submit your nomination online, you may do so at <https://bit.ly/MLKPJAward>** Nominations must be submitted by November 7, 2025.

This year's MLK Celebration will be held on Sunday, January 18, 2026 from 1:30-3:00 pm at Clinton Community College. For more information on the event or the nomination process, please contact Mardell Mommsen Flippen at 563-244-7006 or at mmommsen@eicc.edu.

Sincerely,

MLK Celebration Committee

Theresa Judge, OSF
Mardell Mommsen Flippen
Shannon Sander-Welzien
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Scott Stubblefield
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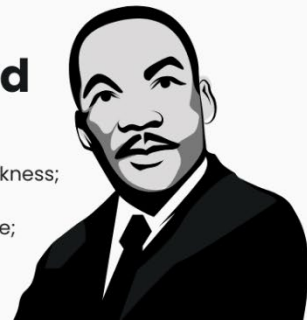
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23rd Annual Peace & Justice Award Nomination Form

Nominations will be based on these criteria:

1. Nominees may be an individual or a group.
2. Nominees must demonstrate a commitment to the mission of peace and justice in our community or larger world.
3. Instances must be cited which show that this person or group has positively impacted other lives by their actions.
4. Nomination form and one letter of support (from another person) must be received Friday, November 7, 2025.

Clinton's Martin Luther King Committee will select the person or group to receive the award. The award will be presented at the MLK Celebration on January 18, 2026 1:30-3:00pm at the Clinton Community College. **The nomination form and letter of support should be completed and returned to Carene Helms via email (clhelms@eicc.edu) or via USPS c/o Clinton Community College, 1000 Lincoln Blvd, Clinton, Iowa 52732 by Friday, November 7, 2025.**

Please note: Nominations are not kept from past years. Please resubmit your nomination yearly.

Name of Nominee: _____

Your Name: _____

Address of Nominee: _____

Your Phone: _____

Phone of Nominee: _____

Your Email: _____

Email of Nominee: _____

Describe below the reasons for nominating this person or group. You may attach an additional page(s) to this form if more space is needed. One letter of support from another individual must be submitted in addition to this nomination form to be considered for the award.
