

Oshawa Community Legend Recognition Program

Previous Recipients:

2024 – Joanne Kozaroff

- Head Coach - girls' hockey teams bringing a level of passion, leadership, dedication, and understanding that goes beyond the game itself. Fosters the strengths of each child, builds confidence in girls, and contributes to the growth of girls' hockey.

2023 Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Durham Region Branch (UCC-Durham)

- UCC-Durham unites both Ukrainian and non-Ukrainian community members, volunteers, leaders, and religious and other organizations in Oshawa. Together they have worked with Municipal, Regional, Provincial and Federal governments to organize the Durham Ukrainian Relief Project and the Durham Ukrainian Relief Fund (DURF).

2022 The entire community of residents, workers, volunteers, community groups, businesses, and institutions in both the public and private sectors of the great City of Oshawa.

- For their resiliency, support, compassion, kindness, dedication and sacrifices during unprecedented times related to the pandemic. For their efforts and contributions to control, contain and manage the Coronavirus (COVID-19). For all their contributions made to support the health, safety, and well-being of our community during the pandemic.

2021 Julian Sheehan- Ford

- A youth who has raised over \$10,000 through his charity "A Rose to Remember" for veterans. He is a Canadian Ambassador for Free Riders Without Borders. Since the age of eight he has been visiting veterans and handing out roses to thank them for their sacrifice and service.

2020 Jim Fergusson

- Heads up Food for Clothing Exchange. Over 30 years of volunteering in the community.

2019 S.J. Jim Brewster

- Retired from the Air Force, a member of Legion #43 for over 70 years, Jim has donated almost \$1,000,000 to the Oshawa hospital.

2018 Sharon Clark

- Sharon has worked closely with Durham Children's Aid Foundation through her own charity Sharon's Kids which is celebrating 50 years this year!

2017 Gord Reid

- Gord was a foster parent, Block Parent, and a member of the Neighbourhood Watch. He volunteered with Community Care Durham, Meals on Wheels and the Oshawa Senior Citizens Centers. He was awarded the Provincial honour of Senior of the Year in 2008

2016 Mal Knocker

- Mal has served his community through the Canadian Armed Forces, the Oshawa Fire Department (35 years), as a coach to numerous teams, fundraiser, and blood donor (140 units). He is a Life Member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #43 and Drum Major of their Pipe Band.

2015 Chelsea Smith

- A dedicated student who has given her time at the Y.M.C.A., a local seniors centre, Lakeridge Health as an afterschool helper, as well as helping to build schools in Africa.

2014 Jackie Finn

- 42 years of community service with the trade union, Meals on Wheels and the Auto Workers Community Credit Union.

2013 Viola Pilkey

- Significant contribution of time and talent to social causes and political parties.

2012 Bob Hooper

- "Oshawa's #1 Fan"

2011 Ken Shaw

- A tireless volunteer devoted to numerous charities.

2010 Dave Thompson

- Dedication and leadership in the development of rugby in Oshawa.

2009 Jim Potticary

- Advocating on the health, welfare, and happiness of senior citizens.

2008 Oshawa Block Parents Association

- Providing a safe haven for the children in our community.