

What is the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award?

Established in 1993, the award honors outstanding Lions and Non-Lions or organizations who perform exemplary service to a Club, District or community. These honorees possess the highest examples of Lionism character, ideals purposes and service, The award cannot be purchased by an individual-it must be presented as a recognition of the recipient's service.

How is the award acquired?

An Individual, Club or District donates \$300 to the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation in the name of the individual or organization to be honored.

An individual may NOT nominate themselves for an initial RJU award but may donate funds to obtain a Progressive RJU added to one they have already been awarded. A request form is found in this brochure.

What recognition is given to the honoree?

The recipient will receive a personalized, engraved 13" x 10 1/2" plaque (shown on the front panel), a congratulatory letter and a handsome lapel pin/tie tack for personal display.



New York State and Bermuda
Lions Foundation Inc.
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Horseheads, New York 14845



THE NEW YORK STATE AND
BERMUDA LIONS FOUNDATION, INC.

*"It Is An Honor To Present
The Highest Award
Available In Multiple District 20"*

The ROBERT J. UPLINGER Distinguished Service Award



Awarded only by Individuals, Clubs and Districts To Fellow Lions and Non-Lions or Organizations Who Embody the Ideals, Ethics and Objects Of International Lionism.

The presenters use a suitable, impressive program when making the presentation. The award is a unique honor and is presented in a way to indicate its importance.

What should the inscription read?

The wording of the plaque should be pointed, congratulatory and simple. It must be kept under 20 words and should be typed or printed.

Here is an example: This award is given for:

“Outstanding and dedicated service to the Lions Club of Anywhere for 15 years as the Club Sight Chairman.”

If the spacing is too small on the request form, attach a separate sheet.

Who is Robert J. Uplinger?

Lion Robert J. Uplinger was a Past International President and a member of the Syracuse Host Lions Club. Past President Uplinger had served as the 55th President in 1971-1972. Lion Bob had received numerous honors and had devoted himself to promoting and advancing Lionism in Multiple District 20 and the world. He had served with outstanding distinction and was the first recipient of the award given in his name. In past years, he had been co-chairman of Lions Day at the UN. Bob and his service partner; Martha, will always be remembered.

How does the Foundation Benefit?

The New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, Inc. is an officially endorsed project of Multiple District 20. Its primary function is to provide funds to Clubs and Districts for projects beyond their capability through a grant request approval by the Foundation's board. To obtain funds, the Foundation conducts various funding programs, one of which is the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award.

How have the Lions of MD-20 benefited?

Grants have been awarded to many Clubs which have been used to assist projects and agencies meeting grant criteria.

Here are several:

- (20-N) Region 1 Lions Clubs \$2,215 Spot Vision Screener.
- (20-E1) Greece Ridge Lions Club \$3,000 Building for medical loan closet.
- (20-E2) Weedsport Lions Club \$5,000 New building for local food pantry.
- (20-W) Ogdensburg Lions Club \$2,500 Linear accelerator for cancer treatment.
- (20-Y1) District Y-1 Lions \$5,000 Ronald McDonald House new building project.
- (20-Y2) Galway Lions Club \$3,650 Generator for Meals-on-Wheels freezer units.
- (20-O) Orange County Sight & Hearing \$3,750 PlusOptix Vision Screener.
- (20-R1) Lewisboro Lions Club \$2,500 Young adult audio books for library.
- (20-R2) District R2 Lions \$2,500 Emergency hurricane relief.
- (20-K1) District K1 Lions \$1,875 Special needs hearing aid program.
- (20-K2) Long Island Lions \$5,000 Lions Quest program in schools.
- (20-S) Shelter Island Lions Club \$5,000 ADA-compliant playground for tots.
- (MD-20) Lions Camp Badger (E.S.S.N.E. program) \$2,500 Emergency repairs due to area flash flood.

Act Now!

If the Club has not paid tribute to an outstanding individual(s) or organization this year; now is the time to do so. At your next board of Director's Meeting, consider honoring a worthy recipient.

Not only will the Club recognize singular service, but it will also become part of the Multiple District's giving family. It will help support the Foundation's "MD-20's Grant Program"

Request Form

Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award

The Award recipient is:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

(State purpose of Award in 20 words or less. Type or print carefully. This is the wording used on plaque. There is only space for about 20 words.)

This Award is Given for: _____

Send the award to:

Name & Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

Club: _____

Deadline for Receipt: _____

Please allow a minimum of four (4) weeks after our receiving the request for delivery.

Make a \$300 check payable to:

New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, Inc.
(2 extra pins are available at \$5.00 each. Please Indicate Yes ___No___)

Mail this form to:

NYS & BLF

PO Box 383

Horseheads, New York 14845

Tel. No. (607) 767-9027

Email: NYSBLF@gmail.com

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Please Do Not Write in This Area

Date Sent: _____

Date Received: _____

Date Promised: _____

Award Shipped: _____