# **GIRAFFE HEROES AWARD**



# Nomination Form.

Note: Fill in and send back to ghk@bpi.or.ke as an attachment.

Thank you for spotting a risk-taker for the common good, and for caring enough to complete this nomination form. To learn more about our criteria for choosing Giraffes, please read 'Criteria for Nomination' on page 2 of this document.

## NOMINEES INFORMATION (The person you are nominating for the Award)

- 1. Nominee's full names (First, Middle, Surname):
- 2. Nominee's Postal Address:
- 3. Nominee's Email address:
- 4. Nominee's Phone number:
- 5. Nominee's website address (if any):
- 6. Describe what the nominee has done for the common good. (300 500 words)
- 7. How long has the nominee been doing this? (Up to 50 words)
- 8. What did the nominee risk as a result of his/her actions for the common good? (Up to 300 words)

#### **REFERENCE PERSONS**

Who else knows the nominees story? Please provide contacts for at least two reference persons

#### Reference 1

- i. Name (First, Middle, Surname):
- ii. Email address:
- iii. Phone contact:
- iv. Relationship to nominee:

## Reference 2

- i. Name (First, Middle, Surname):
- ii. Email address:
- iii. Phone contact:
- iv. Relationship to nominee:

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#### NOMINATORS DETAILS (YOURSELF)

Your name (First, Middle, Surname): Your email address: Your phone contact: Relationship to nominee:

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

To be named a Giraffe, a nominee individual, must have taken a significant risk for the common good.

*Significant Risk* – Giraffe Heroes should have acted or broken through in the presence of fear e.g. of physical harm, severe financial loss, legal repercussions, professional exclusion etc.

**Common Good** – Broadly speaking, working for the common good means alleviating suffering, rectifying injustice or advancing goals such as peace or a healthy environment.

## Other relevant criteria

The judges have the discretion to select a nominees after taking into account the background and personality of the nominee, and other highly subjective factors including:-

- i. Individuals that have received little or no previous recognition for their work.
- ii. A Giraffe's actions must be of benefit to a significant number of people, either as beneficiaries of the action or as people who may be inspired to emulate the Giraffe.
- iii. Giraffes do break the law some times. But they do so without violence, with a willingness to accept the consequences, and with respect for the 'opposition.' Lawbreakers should have utilized all legal and political courses of action prior to their lawbreaking actions, and have continued to do so since their arrest.
- iv. It's fine if a candidate sues to recover losses or to force an institution or individual to begin acting for the common good. But people who try to profit personally by suing for punitive damages will not be considered. Those who sue for punitive damages are only eligible if the money they receive is used directly and entirely to alleviate the conditions which brought about the law suit. e.g. A Giraffe's lawsuits force polluters to clean-up the messes they've made, cease and desist polluting, and pay big fines that go to environmental groups in the affected region, not to the Giraffe.
- v. Trained professionals doing their work within the boundaries of paid employment can qualify only if their service to others goes very far above and beyond the de facto standards of their profession.
- vi. Willingness and opportunity to participate in Giraffe Heroes events and initiatives.

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