

Bob Savage



Recovery Advocate of the Year Award 2011

Background: In 1998 Bob Savage founded the Connecticut Community for Addiction Recovery (CCAR). He is a pioneer in the field of establishing recovery community organizations. Bob had a 30-year career in Connecticut's state treatment system and when he retired, he set out to answer a couple questions that had nagged him while in public service.

1. Where are the people in recovery when we are making critical decisions concerning them?
2. Can the recovery community be organized to advocate for issues of importance to them?

Working from his home, Bob traveled all over Connecticut, speaking wherever he could to rally the recovery community. He began holding monthly Chapter meetings in Connecticut that ultimately evolved into CCAR. Bob was vital to the development of the recovery advocacy movement not only in Connecticut, but nationally as well.

Purpose of the Award: This award is in honor of Bob Savage's courage to speak frequently, energetically and effectively on behalf of people in recovery, their family members, friends and allies. CCAR seeks to honor an individual who has had a positive influence on key decision makers in Connecticut and has consistently advocated on issues of importance to the recovery community.

Criteria for Nominations:

- Connecticut resident
- Outspoken on issues of importance to people in recovery, their family members, friends and allies
- Demonstrated excellence in recovery advocacy
- The nominee is not required to be a person in recovery

Deadline for nominations: December 29, 2011

Nominee name

Nominee occupation

Nominee contact information – phone, email, etc

Please describe the nominee's qualifications for this award (300 word max).

Who is nominating this person?

Two references

Is the nominee available to attend the CCAR Annual meeting on Wednesday, January 18th, 2012 at 3:00 pm at the CT Behavioral Health Partnership in Rocky Hill, CT?

If you can email this document, please email it to yoly@ccar.us

If you cannot email it, please fill it in, print it and fax it to (860) 244 – 2228 or mail it to:

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Selection Process: The Awards committee will review all applications and will make recommendations to the CCAR Board of Directors who will select the honoree.