



Dr. Hector P. Garcia

Founder, American GI Forum
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DR. HECTOR P. GARCIA/FOUNDERS' AWARD: This award is presented in honor of the late Dr. Hector P. Garcia, Founder of the American GI Forum. Through his efforts the American GI Forum became the Champion of the Hispanic Veteran and their families, thus ensuring their Civil Rights under the Constitution of the United States.

The Dr. Hector P. Garcia Award is the highest recognition given by the American GI Forum of the United States. It recognizes the extraordinary commitment and extended service of ordinary people who by spectacular involvement, dedication, and perseverance have demonstrated extraordinary commitment, service or contribution to alleviate human suffering and improve the lot of disadvantaged individuals at all levels.

The award is given to volunteers, GI Forum members, community leaders, or any person who at great sacrifice to themselves and without regard for personal reward, have performed services to the American GI Forum and to their communities above and beyond what was expected.

DR. HECTOR P. GARCIA AWARD CRITERIA

Without regard for personal sacrifice or reward this individual must have performed above and beyond what was expected of a Forumeer. Must stand head and shoulders above his peers in service to the Forum.

By spectacular involvement, dedication, and perseverance, this person must have demonstrated extraordinary commitment, service, contributions to alleviate human suffering and improve the lot of disadvantages individuals.

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- ▶ Decision of the Awards Committee is final. All entries must be received at the American GI Forum National Office on or before the first day of this National Conference. State Commanders may hand carry nominations and present them to the Committee Chair one day prior to the convening of the Awards Committee.
- ▶ All nominations must be complete in one package, when submitted. Separate letters and other accompanying statements and documents received later will not be considered.
- ▶ All material submitted may be used for publications.
- ▶ Do not submit scrap books, films, tapes, cassettes, etc.. Only written material on paper will be considered.
- ▶ All material submitted with the nomination form becomes the property of the American GI Forum of the United States and will not be returned.

Entries may be mailed to: AGIF-US National Office
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Pueblo, CO 81004