

Please take the time to nominate those who serve your organization. Recognition of any kind goes a long way in the eyes of a volunteer. Take a moment to complete the form(s) below - it could be the difference between someone continuing to serve your children or not. Incomplete forms will not be presented to the review committee for consideration so please take the time needed when completing any of these. They deserve more than a one or two-word answer. Winners for the 2022-2023 season will be recognized at the 2023 North Texas Soccer AGM, on July 8, 2023, at the Westin Galleria Hotel in Dallas, Texas.

“Of the Year” Nomination Forms Must be submitted by April 30, 2023, for consideration

The **Administrator of the Year** award is given to a paid member of a soccer association, soccer club, or soccer team. The application should include documentation of how the person supports the soccer mission and the players and meets the following requirements:

1. has been a soccer administrator for a member association, soccer club, or team of any of those organizations for at **least four seasonal years**; and

[Administrator of the Year](#)

The **Volunteer of the Year** award is given to a volunteer member of a soccer association, soccer club, or soccer team. The application should include documentation of how the person supports the soccer mission and the players and meets the following requirements:

1. was a volunteer for a State Association or a member of a State Association;
2. is an excellent role model for the community beyond soccer;
3. has favorable relations with other members of the soccer community;
4. demonstrates a willingness to promote players and soccer;
5. is a positive role model for all volunteers;
6. is of sound moral and ethical character;
7. through participation, has increased the opportunities for others to participate in soccer;
8. has not previously received national or other significant recognition from US Youth Soccer for contributions to soccer, but is well known in his or her community and is a true hero of grassroots soccer;
9. has not received any compensation for the volunteer efforts.

[Volunteer of the Year](#)

The **Coach of the Year** award is given to a coach within a member soccer association (recreational) or soccer club (competitive). The application should include documentation of how the person supports the soccer mission and the players and meets the following requirements.

1. coached for at least one season during the seasonal year immediately prior to the seasonal year for which the individual is being nominated;
2. is coaching during the seasonal year for which the nomination is being made; and
3. coached and is coaching for a member association (recreational) or club/team (competitive)

[Boys Competitive Coach of the Year](#)

[Girls Competitive Coach of the Year](#)

[Boys Recreational Coach of the Year](#)

[Girls Recreational Coach of the Year](#)

What is TOPSoccer

US Youth Soccer TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program for Soccer) is a community-based training and team placement program for young athletes with disabilities, organized by youth soccer association volunteers. The program is designed to bring the opportunity of learning and playing soccer to any boy or girl, who has a mental or physical disability.

The **TOPSoccer Buddy of the Year** award is given to an individual engaged in supporting a TOPSoccer program and for extraordinary accomplishments in carrying out the TOPSoccer mission. The application should include documentation of how the person supports the TOPSoccer program, events, and activities and meets the following requirements:

1. has demonstrated patience, understanding, dependability, flexibility, and ability to adjust to ever-changing on-field situations;
2. has proven to be an invaluable volunteer who facilitates the Program by filling many roles, including being a coach, a cheerleader, a role model, and assisting when needed with administrative responsibilities;
3. has provided support, engaged players one-on-one, and modeled desired behavior in group play or off to the side of group play; and
4. is cognizant of player safety while assisting, guiding, directing, and teaching the game of soccer and its skills, and creating a fun and learning experience.

[TOPSoccer Buddy of the Year](#)

The **TOPSoccer Coach of the Year** is given to an individual engaged in coaching within a TOPSoccer program and for extraordinary accomplishments in carrying out the TOPSoccer mission. The application should include documentation of how the person supports the TOPSoccer program, events, and activities and meets the following requirements:

1. Has demonstrated patience, understanding, dependability, flexibility, and ability to adjust to ever-changing on-field situations;
2. Has proven to be an invaluable volunteer who facilitates the Program by filling many roles, including being a coach, a cheerleader, a role model, and an administrator.
3. Has provided leadership and support,
4. Is cognizant of player safety while, guiding, directing, teaching the game of soccer and its skills, and creating a fun and learning experience.

[TOPSoccer Coach of the Year](#)

The **Young Referee of the Year** award is given to a young referee who personifies fairness and leadership. The application should include documentation of how the person supports the soccer mission and the players and meets the following requirements.

1. Candidate must be affiliated with an active North Texas Soccer Member Association in good standing;
2. Candidate must have an outstanding record of participation;
3. Candidate should be an excellent role model for the community beyond soccer;
4. Candidate should have favorable relations with other members of the North Texas Soccer community;
5. Did not reach 19 years of age prior to August 1 immediately before the beginning of the seasonal year for which the individual is being nominated.

[Young Female Referee of the Year](#) [Young Male Referee of the Year](#)

Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Must be submitted by April 30, 2023, for consideration

1. Nominations for persons to be inducted into the North Texas Soccer Hall of Fame may be submitted by any person who is a player, coach, referee, or administrator for North Texas Soccer, or an Organization Member of North Texas Soccer.
2. **The recognition must be for significant personal achievement in, or contribution to, North Texas Soccer at the State or National Level.** In addition, the demonstrated, positive effect of such achievement or contribution must have set a clear and

recognized example for the soccer community to emulate and regard as a model to be followed for personal achievement.

3. Players - must have reached the minimum age of 22 and have distinguished themselves with an outstanding standard of play and/or performance as a member of North Texas Soccer. The player must have participated in games as a registered member of North Texas Soccer for at least 6 consecutive years.
4. Administrators, Referees, and Coaches, - must have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments and/or leadership that have made significant contributions to the improvement of the sport and its participants statewide or nationwide. They must have contributed directly for a period of 10 or more years at the State or National level.
5. Meritorious Recognition - Nominations for this Recognition are for individuals or organizations involved in the support of North Texas Soccer in non-playing, non-administrative, non-coaching, and non-refereeing capacities.

[North Texas Soccer Hall of Fame](#)

The Jim Finger Lifetime Achievement Award Must be submitted by April 30, 2023, for consideration

The Jim Finger Award honors a person within NTSSA who has made substantial contributions to the referee program over a minimum period of 10 years. The nominee should display Jim Finger's characteristics of devotion, integrity, and fair play.

Illustrate why the nominee is deserving of the award. Examples can include any or all of the following:

1. Active participation as an administrator, assessor, instructor, or volunteer participation in referee mentoring at any level of the game.
2. Have been an active and dedicated referee.
3. Helped and gave guidance to others in the Referee Program.
4. Have been recognized for "off the field" activities. These may be for volunteer civic or other duties bringing positive credit to him/her and to the game of soccer.

[Jim Finger Lifetime Achievement Award](#)