



### **The Kindness Circle Community Gala Awards Categories**

Top 3 Finalists and Winners in each category to be Announced at  
The Kindness Circle Gala  
on Friday, October 16, 2026.

#### **1. Kindness by a Young Changemaker Award**

This award honours a young adult (ages 13 - 19) who is making a meaningful impact through kindness, compassion, and service to others. Whether through volunteer work, advocacy, peer support, or innovative community efforts, this changemaker shows that age is no barrier to making the world a better, kinder place.

#### **2. Kindness to Other Humans Award**

This award celebrates a person or group of people whose everyday actions reflect compassion, empathy, and generosity toward others. From small gestures to transformative efforts, the honoree reminds us that kindness - especially between strangers or in unexpected moments - can change lives.

#### **3. Kindness in Business Award**

Presented to a company or corporation that leads with heart. This award recognizes ethical practices, community support, and a workplace culture rooted in kindness. Whether through charitable initiatives, employee wellness, or inclusive practices, this business sets an example of how success and kindness can thrive together.

#### **4. Kindness in Non-profit Work Award**

This award highlights a non-profit organization that goes above and beyond in serving others with compassion and integrity. Through advocacy, direct support, or innovative programs, this organization embodies what it means to make the world better—one act of kindness at a time.

#### **5. Kindness That Teaches Award**

Given to an educator, mentor, coach or program that inspires kindness in the next generation. This award honours those who teach empathy, inclusivity, and respect. Through words, actions, or curriculum, they are shaping a kinder future by empowering young minds and hearts.

#### **6. Lifetime of Kindness Award**

This award honours an individual who has dedicated over a decade to spreading kindness, compassion, and meaningful impact. Through consistent acts of generosity, leadership, and service, this recipient has created a lasting ripple effect—touching lives, uplifting communities, and inspiring others to lead with heart. Their lifelong commitment reminds us that kindness is not just an act, but a way of living.

#### **7. Founder's Award**

This award is presented to a Kindness Circle member who quietly goes above and beyond leading with heart, often behind the scenes. Through selfless acts, unwavering support, and a deep commitment to lifting others up, this individual embodies the true spirit of The Kindness Circle. They may not seek recognition, but their impact is deeply felt, reminding us that some of the most powerful kindness happens when no one is watching.