

Secretary of State Paul D. Pate

John Lewis Youth Leadership Award 2025 Nomination Form

INFORMATION ABOUT THE NOMINATOR AND NOMINEE:

Information about the nominator Name and Title:	
Phone:	Email:
Relationship to the nominee:	
How long have you known the nominee?	
Information about the nominee Name:	Age:
Phone:	Email:
High School/College/University:	
Organizations involved with:	

CRITERIA:

Leadership: The nominee is involved (either formally or informally) in the following roles and demonstrates the ability to guide people, exhibits empathy and is courageous in confronting challenges. As a leader, the nominee works with their community by participating in decision making, providing meaningful information, or completing hands on work.

Commitment to Social Justice: The nominee works to further civil and human rights, such as the right to vote, access to resources and opportunities and freedom from discrimination and/prejudice.

Improve Quality of Life: The nominee helps people in their community or in specific groups by: increasing awareness of problems, identifying and/or promoting solutions, increasing access to food or other basic needs, education, healthcare, voting, transportation, and employment, and increasing social connections and feelings of belonging.

QUESTIONS:

1. The nominee primarily works on the following social justice issues: (Check all that apply)

Poverty		Safety
Voting Rights		Racial Justice
Environment		Gender Equity
Education		LGBTQ+ Rights
Housing		Healthcare (including reproductive rights)
Food/Nutrition	·	Other:

2. Identify the community (people or place) that the nominee advocates for and/or works with. Examples: High school students, unhoused people, women

3.	Describe how the nominee has tried or is trying to improve the quality of life for people in their community. Please include a description of their specific activities or actions.
4.	Give one example of an important success that the nominee has had or an outcome they had a role in achieving.
5.	Describe a challenge that the nominee has overcome (either personally or in accomplishing their work).

Examples of supporting materials to include with this application:

- Letters of recommendation or support for the nominee
- Photos of the nominee doing acts of service or in their leadership roles
- Copies of newspaper articles that mention the nominee and their activism
- Copies of published works by the nominee

Please complete and email the Nomination Form and supporting materials (limit 10 pages) to <u>jaime.rutan@sos.iowa.gov</u>. All nominations and supporting materials must be received by May 31, 2025. If there are any questions, please contact us at the above email or call 515-725-0183.