



State of Maine
Office of the Secretary of State

SHENNA BELLOWS
SECRETARY OF STATE

John Lewis Youth Leadership Award
2023 Nomination Form

INFORMATION ABOUT THE NOMINATOR:

Information about the nominator

Name and title:

Phone:

Email:

Relationship to nominee:

How long have you known the nominee?

Information about the nominee

Name:

Age:

Phone:

Email:

High School/College/University/address:

Organization(s)/address(es):

CRITERIA:

Leadership: The nominee in either formal or informal roles, demonstrates ability to influence others, empathy, and courage to confront challenges. As a leader, they work ***with*** their community, such as by involving community members in decision making, or keeping them informed, or ensuring that they have active part of their work.

Commitment to Social Justice: The nominee works for civil and human rights, such as the right to vote, fair 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 issue(s): (Check up to 3)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Poverty	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety
<input type="checkbox"/>	Voting Rights	<input type="checkbox"/>	Racial Justice
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gender Equity
<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	LGBTQ+ Rights
<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthcare (including reproductive rights)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Food/Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

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

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.

Email this form and supporting materials to sos.office@maine.gov. All nominations and materials must be received by **Wednesday, November 15, 2023**.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the Secretary of State at the above email or at (207) 626-8400.

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