

Life Issues Award

Life Issue Activities

It is always good to help someone in need. A special feeling will come over each of us as we know we have assisted someone in some way. Knights are perfectly positioned to take the lead to encourage and promote that action. Our councils have the numbers, the organization, and the communication ability to get involved in the Word throughout the Christian community and appeal for greater unity, understanding and ecumenism among all religions. Knights of Columbus programs should help members practice their faith in the fields of charity, devotion and education. Each member should become a constant and worthy example of an ideal Catholic for his family, his community and his brother Knights.

Our communities offer limitless opportunities for positive action. Councils should look for something that's needed and workable in the church and design a program to address that need. Perhaps it is to supporting a family in financial need, creating a snow removal or lawn cutting program for people that physically are unable to do this anymore, or creating a team to take parishioner's to mass on Sunday, who normally would be unable to make it on their own. By studying the needs of the community, determining what your members are interested in and what your council's resources allow, your council can make a difference. All it takes is to get involved!

Awarded annually to the council within our State that demonstrates the best program in the area of Life Issues.

Judgment Criteria

- Organization:
 - Committee Planning
 - Detail in Staging Event
 - Delegation of Responsibility, ie. Empowerment
 - Number of Volunteer Hours
 - Number of Brothers Involved. Council's Volunteer Efforts
- Publicity:
 - Program Awareness
 - Parish/Community/Brother Involvement
- Effectiveness of the Program:
 - Who benefits from this program?
 - Does the activity demonstrate the objectives of Life Issues?
- Results:
 - What were the benefits derived from the sponsorship of this Project?
 - Program Originality?
 - How did the project results affect the Life Issues Program?