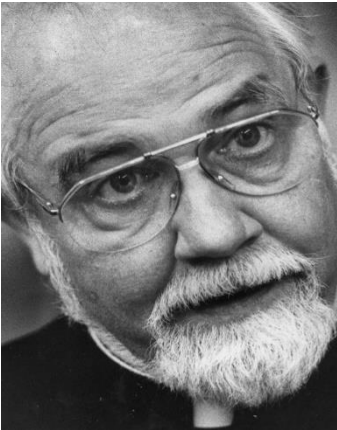


2026 JENCO AWARDS Nomination Form



The Jenco Foundation Fund at the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio celebrates people who, like Father Lawrence Martin Jenco, have made **a difference in their communities through community service and visionary leadership**. It recognizes the difference everyday people can make when they give of their time, talent and passion to help their neighbors. Established to continue the work of the Jenco Foundation, the Fund offers **individual achievement awards** to recognize visionary leaders and volunteers who have **increased the dignity and sense of worth of people in Appalachian Ohio through creative problem-solving**. The award is open to people of all ages.

The Jenco Foundation Fund intends to make one or more cash awards to Appalachian Ohioans who have performed noteworthy community service outside their everyday work and/or job responsibilities. **Nominations should be for service performed beyond paid positions**. Believing this recognition is important to regional community development, the Jenco Foundation Fund Committee continues to encourage those who give of themselves and inspire others to volunteer in their communities.

Jenco awardees serve their communities across many areas, including **arts and culture, community and economic development, education, environmental stewardship, and health and human services**. Their commitment to the individuals of Appalachian Ohio is not a job; it's a passion.

For more information about the Jenco Foundation Fund, the Jenco Awards or past Jenco Awardees, please visit www.AppalachianOhio.org/Jenco. Father Martin Jenco is the author of *Bound to Forgive: The Pilgrimage to Reconciliation of a Beirut Hostage*.

NOMINATIONS

The nomination process is simple. Multiple nominations are welcome from the same nominator, as are multiple nominations for the same nominee. No self-nominations will be considered.

- Step 1:** Complete the **nomination form**.
- Step 2:** Write a detailed **nomination letter** to the Jenco Foundation Fund Committee explaining why you believe your nominee should be considered for a Jenco Award.
- Step 3:** Compile **supporting materials** that provide more information about your nominee. Additional letters of support are encouraged to provide a holistic overview of the nominee and their service. Additional materials could include anecdotes from others who benefited from your nominee's service, press clippings, photos, videos, and more. Supporting materials are critical to helping the committee evaluate nominations.
- Step 4:** Submit your nomination packet via mail or email. **For full consideration, all materials must be postmarked or emailed by Tuesday, June 16, 2026.**

Please **mail or email** the completed nomination packet to:

Jenco Foundation Fund, Foundation for Appalachian Ohio
Attn: Nikki Wood
35 Public Square
Nelsonville, Ohio 45764
nwood@ffao.org

Please use "2026 Jenco Award Nomination" as your subject line for email submissions.

FAO reserves the right to only process nominations **complete** as of the deadline.

Checklist for nomination

- _____ Complete nomination form
- _____ Nomination letter
- _____ Support letters and materials

Questions? Contact the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio at 740.753.1111.

AWARDS

Process: All complete nominations will be considered by the Jenco Foundation Fund Committee, appointed by the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio. The FAO Board of Trustees will give final approval. The awards will be made directly to the recipients with no restrictions on the use of funds and no report requirement. **Please note: This award is for individuals, not organizations. However, organizations are welcome to make nominations.**

Notification of Awards: All Jenco Award recipients and their nominators will be officially contacted no later than July 31, 2026. All nominators will be contacted no later than August 15, 2026.

FOUNDATION FOR APPALACHIAN OHIO

The Foundation for Appalachian Ohio (FAO), a 501(c)(3) public charity, is a regional community foundation serving the 32 counties of Appalachian Ohio. In partnership with 15 geographic affiliate foundations and the regionwide African American Community Fund, FAO works to unleash the collective potential within Appalachian Ohio by encouraging and supporting philanthropy.

Since 1998, FAO has been working with donors and community builders who are passionate about Appalachian Ohio, its communities and its future. As part of this work, FAO manages more than 800 funds, including the Jenco Foundation Fund, dedicated to making a difference in our region.

For more information about FAO, visit www.AppalachianOhio.org.



Thank you for celebrating service and leadership!



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APPALACHIAN OHIO

JENCO AWARD NOMINATION FORM

All nomination packets must be emailed or postmarked by June 16, 2026

Nominations should be sent or delivered to:
Foundation for Appalachian Ohio | 35 Public Square | Nelsonville, OH 45764
Or emailed to: nwood@fao.org

NOMINEE INFORMATION

NAME: First _____ Middle Initial _____ Last _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Address: _____
Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

To the best of your knowledge, does the nominee have any of these relationships with FAO?

- Grantee Fund Representative Community Fund Affiliate Committee Member
 Other: _____

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

NAME: First _____ Middle Initial _____ Last _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Title (if applicable): _____

Relationship to nominee: _____

Address: _____
Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Nominator signature: _____