

Community Impact Awards 2026

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the award categories and what makes a good candidate?

Award category	Possible reasons for nominating a colleague (this is not an exhaustive list, and intended as a guide only)
1. Environmental Champion award	- Has your colleague been particularly enthusiastic about a community greening volunteer project? What did they do? - How has your colleague helped improve the local environment through cleaner spaces, helping communities become more environmentally aware or adopting greener habits?
2. Social Connector award	- When has a colleague brought together the community to reduce isolation or improve wellbeing? - When has a colleague shown a particular aptitude for breaking down social barriers and creating welcoming environments?
3. Skill Sharing award	- When has a colleague volunteered their professional knowledge and expertise through a volunteering activity? What skill was shared and how? - When has a colleague shared sector specific knowledge, employability skills or industry insight to help a community member?
4. Inspiring the Next Gen award	- When has a colleague motivated, equipped or positively influenced a young person during a volunteering activity? What made it inspirational? - Has your colleague particularly helped under-represented and/or disadvantaged young people by volunteering. How was this achieved?
5. Leading with Kindness award	- When has your colleague's volunteering been grounded in empathy, compassion or inclusion? Tell us not just what was achieved but how it was achieved. - When has a colleague particularly been successful at prioritising volunteer wellbeing during a volunteering activity? Briefly describe the situation.
6. Enduring Impact award	- Which colleague is a recurring volunteer who has supported a particular local cause over a number of months/years? What added impact did this bring? - Has the volunteer's actions sparked a real life impact story from a community member? What impact has been achieved over time?
7. Trailblazer award	- Which colleague is leading the way in your company when it comes to promoting volunteering? What actions have they taken? - Has your company's organisational culture changed through a particular colleague's actions towards volunteering? If so, how.
8. Volunteer Spirit award	- Which colleague embodies the spirit of volunteering – selfless, dedicated and enthusiastic? How have they demonstrated this when volunteering? - For whom, is volunteering a labour of love where they have gone over and above? Tell us about a volunteering activity where this spirit shone through.

2. What are the awards?

Moments That Matter is Marble Arch BID's celebration of community. We will be recognising the significance of magical moments by employee volunteers across our membership at an awards ceremony on Wednesday 3 June 2026, held during Volunteers Week. Finalists will be joined at the event by local charities and schools to celebrate employee volunteering as part of a strong and thriving local community.

3. How can I nominate?

You can nominate a colleague by completing our [nomination form](#) through Google Forms. Each form allows one nomination for an individual in one category. There is no limit on the amount of nomination forms that can be completed. Simply click the link 'submit another response'. If your company does not accept Google Forms, please email community@marble-arch.london and we will send you an offline version.

4. What are the eligibility criteria?

- Your nominee must work for a Marble Arch BID member or one of its sub-contracted organisations.
- Your nominee must have been an employee volunteer (i.e. volunteered as a representative of their company) for a charity, school or local cause based in Westminster borough in the past five years.
- You cannot vote for yourself.

5. When is the nomination deadline?

Completed forms must be received no later than 23:59pm on **Sunday 10 May** to be considered.

6. When will nominees find out if they have been selected as finalists?

Finalists will be notified the week beginning Monday 11 May.

All finalists will be invited to the Awards Ceremony to be held from 4pm to 5.30pm on Wednesday 3 June, held during Volunteers Week.

7. How will the winners be decided?

Winners will be decided by a Community Panel consisting of representatives from local charities, community groups and schools.

8. Who can nominate?

Anyone who thinks their colleagues are deserving of recognition for a magical moment through volunteering in the local area!

Have you attended a volunteer event and witnessed first-hand a contribution from a colleague that is worthy of a nomination? Why not surprise them with a nomination! Should you need any further inspiration about your colleagues' amazing local contributions, why not review our repository of volunteering activities [here](#)

9. Do you have any further questions?

Please contact us at community@marble-arch.london