Maryland
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION AND POLICY

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2026 GOVERNOR'S VICTIM ASSISTANCE AWARDS

The Governor's Victim Assistance Awards will be presented on **Friday, April 24, 2026**, at the **10th Annual Maryland Crime Victims' Rights Conference** at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Pikesville, MD. Three awards will be presented: the Virginia Mahoney Award, Henry Gleim Memorial Award, and Vincent Roper Memorial Award, to individuals that have demonstrated outstanding performance in providing services and support to Maryland's victims of crime during the 2025 calendar year (January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025).

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

AWARD CATEGORIES:

Virginia Mahoney Award
In honor of Ginny Mahoney, this award recognizes an outstanding leader who has set the standard for excellence in the field of victim services. This award will recognize a prominent state leader or high-ranking official who has epitomized true leadership in support of victims' rights. Only one nominee will be selected.

Henry Gleim Memorial Award
In memory of Henry Gleim, an unsung hero who gave unselfishly, generously, courageously and with hope for those who walk in the path of victimization. This award recognizes outstanding services to crime victims and those who work to serve them. Only one nominee will be selected.

Vincent Roper Memorial Award
In honor of Vincent Roper, who dedicated his life to making a difference for all crime victims. His countless contributions revolutionized victims' rights. This award recognizes outstanding work to secure crime victim justice for all in a quiet and selfless manner. Only one nominee will be selected.

NOMINATION CRITERIA:
- Anyone may submit a nomination and more than one nomination is permissible.
- Outstanding investigative efforts or crime prevention programs are not eligible for consideration, as they do not fall within the purview of these awards.
- Individuals and/or organizations are **not** eligible if they have been a recipient of the **same award** within the **last five years**.
- Nominations that are vague or lack sufficient detail to support a candidate will not be considered.

TO APPLY:
- Complete the attached Nomination Form. Indicate the award for which your nominee is being considered (Virginia Mahoney, Henry Gleim Memorial or Vincent Roper Memorial Award).
- Submit a narrative as to why your nominee should receive the award, not to exceed one (1) 8x11 single or double-spaced typed page (12 pt. font, Times New Roman). The nomination must specify the particular victim assistance/victim advocacy activities performed by the individual, and why you feel they deserve special recognition. You may mention any other awards or recognition received. It is recommended that nominations be written in a clear, concise manner so that the individual's accomplishments are easily determined and extracted when read by the review panel.
- Each nomination MUST be accompanied by a 75-word summary of the narrative which may, in part, be read if your nominee is selected.
- **Submit nominations via email to Rebecca Allyn at rebecca.allyn@maryland.gov** to be considered. Please contact Ms. Allyn should you have any questions.

Check one:

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NOMINATION FORM

DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

□ Virginia Mahoney Award **□ Henry Gleim Memorial Award** **□ Vincent Roper Memorial Award**

Name of Award Nominee

Place of Employment

Work Address

City State Zip Code

Email Address

Telephone (w) (c)

Name of Person/Group Nominating

Place of Employment

Work Address

City State Zip Code

Email Address

Telephone (w) (c)

Contact Person (s)

Ensure your packet consists of:

- Nomination Form
- Narrative (not to exceed 75 words)
- Summary (not to exceed 1 page)

SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY TO:
Rebecca Allyn, Rebecca.allyn@maryland.gov
Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy