Baton Rouge Area Volunteer Activist Honorees 1972 - 2025

1972
Virginia A. Boyer
Nita Breazeale
Eunice C. Bush
Nancy Luikart
Ann Wilson

1973
Eula Bates
Molly Helfman
Cecilia Hissong
Joan Samuel
Mrs. Joseph P. Tomsula

1974
Imo Brown
Dr. Doris Conway
Mrs. Frank Dawson
Louise Peek
Nina Pugh

1975
Elaine Edwards
Elisha Fuchs
Judy Garland
Mrs. Lewis T. Mohr
Mary Elizabeth Hightower
Eileen Ogdon

1976
Mrs. Alton E. Barrillier
Sara Bateman
H. Payne Breazeale, Sr.
Martha Burk
Willie Doiron
Mrs. W.G. Morgan, Jr.
Kevin P. Reilly, Sr.

1977
Evelyn Brown
Sidney J. Duplessis
Eileen Kean
Katherine Long
Preston V. Kors
Sue Turner
Ruth Wilkinson

1978
Beth Dubus Baldridge
Robert S. Greer
Jean Kirby
Rosalinde McKenzie
Sylvia Steiner
Lucille Woodard
Ira J. Woodfin

1979
Ione Burden
Steele Burden
Edith Kirkpatrick
Keith Lanneau
Anna Lipsey
Natalie Roumain
Dr. David Van Gelder

1980
Mary Frey Eaton
Jensen Holliday
John Dale Powers
Elise Rosenthal
Ralph Sims
Polly Williams

1981
Bill Black
Carolyn Carnahan
Mrs. B.W. Causey
Frank Craig, Jr.
Thomas R. Hightower
Doris Smith
Bernard Sobel

1982
Eileen Armstrong
Wallace F. Armstrong
Winifred E. Byrd
Mary Crawford Dettor
Roger Guissinger
H. Harvey Honore
Alma L. McGrew
Flavia Mims

1983
Lew Barnum
Don Gerald
Anne LaNasa
Liz Leake
Bill LeBlanc
Marcy Simoneaux
Dottie Stubbs
Jack Stubbs

1984
James D. Dodds
G. Lee Griffin
Elsie O. Holmes
Doucette Pascall
Raymond G. Post, Jr.
Winkie Rector
Lilen Schermer
Kenneth E. Uffman

1985
David Broussard, Sr.
Annie E. D'Agostino
Jenola Googe Duke
Todd Garland
Chuck McCoy
Judge Rosemary Pillow
Gordon A. Pugh
Emily R. Robinson

1986
John W. Barton
Dr. Morton L. Levy
Betty Perrin
T.O. Perry, Jr.
Frances Spain
Thelma Tacneau
Roland Toups
Richard Lipsey

1987
Patsy Barrett
Marian Baum
W.W. "Woody" Dumas
Rolfe McCollister, Sr.
Molly McKenzie
Kevin Reilly, Jr.
JoPaul Steiner
Humphreys T. Turner

1988
Dr. Hilda Arndt
Adelaide Arveson
Patsy Barnes
John Bateman
Fran Bussie
Ruth Dwight
Hermann Moyse, III

1989
J. Weston Devillier, Jr.
Virginia Hopper
Dot Johnson
Harriet Babin Miller
Mrs. Sylvester J. Peat
Huel D. Perkins
Donna Saurage
John Spain

1990
Mary Kay Brown
Nathalie DiBenedetto
Mildred Feldman
Alice Greer
Camille Jocobs
Tom McNamee
Rogers Newman
Jerry Stovall
Harold Suire
Milton Womack

1991
C. Lynn Bradley
Allan R. Brent
Cecilia Franklin
J.H. Martin
Nora Grigsby
Floyd L. Mathews
Betsy Hooper
Frank D. McArthur III
Ann Miller
Robert E. Wales

1992
Dr. Paul Burns
Dr. Ronaldo Funes
Dr. Robert B. Holtman
Joyce Hoyt Lyford
Sancy H. McCool
Madeline O. Nesbit
Charles B. Redman
Lonnie Stockwell
Horatio C. Thompson
Adele R. Williamson

1993
Willie Beathley
Ervie Ellender
Louise Prosser
Nadine Russell
Trish Sedlin
Martha White

1994
Major Reginald R. Brown
Richard K. Goldberger
Cynthia “Cindy” Hill
Sibal T. Holt
Charles A. Landry
Lucille B. Munson
Molly Rau
Irwin R. “Dick” Schneider
Ralph Stephens
Moses Williams

1995
Lois Elmer Bannon
Lee Michael Berg
J.W. “Bill” Cocreham
A. Bridger Eglin
Mary Terrell Joseph
Dr. Julius H. Mullins, Sr.
Lucy McQueen Priddy
Dr. Christel C. Slaughter
Gertrude White

1996
Rev. Chris H. Andrews
Mae E. Calvin
Roland E. Daigre, Jr.
Marilyn R. Davis
Libby Fisackerly
J. Cooper Harrell
Ruby Jarrett
G. Rolfe Miller
Dr. Jed Lane Morris
Michael H. Rubin

1997
Wanda R. Barber
Farrow Behrens
Myron Faulk
Marjorie A. Green
Julie Hamilton
Susan Henry Jones
Richard F. Manship
Jake L. Netterville
Pat Thompson
Paul S. West

1998
Barbara Beckmann
Marian Broach
E.M. “Ned” Clark
Cathy Dardenne
Charlene Guarisco Montelaro
Marcia Moser
Marjorie “Tyke” Olinde
Charles Valluzzo
Rabbi Barry Weinstein
Joice White

1999
Colette Dean
Evelyn Fike
Winifred Gill
George Jenne
C. Kris Kirkpatrick
Frances McCord
Phyllis McLaurin
Paula Melancon
Nancy Williams Murrill
Eula V. Smith

2000
Donna Boé
H. Brent Bruser
Dr. John A. “Andy” Dean
Yolanda Johnson Dixon
Katharine O. Dunham
Erma Hazelwood Greene
John N. Hu
Nell McAnelly
Alison Walker
S. Kyle Waters

2001
Helen M. Edgington
A. Jackson Huff, Jr.
Sgt. Annie B. Johnson
Phillip S. Juban
William C. Potter
Katherine Sue Rainer
Hank N. Saurage, IV
Harvey Schwartzberg
Betty Schwartzberg
Mary Ann Sternberg

2002
Pearl Belcher
Donna Britt
Carolyn Cavanaugh
Serena W. Henderson
Rev. William King
Thomas Olinde
Virginia Pearson
Thomas Pruyn
Lois S. Saye
Elizabeth "Boo" Thomas

2003
Andrew Long Adler
Barbara Carey
Michael D. Ferachi
Carole Lamar
Charles W. Lamar, III
Susan Haspel Lipsey
Carolyn Martin
Claryce Minor
Nancy Barnett Penn
Patrick Shingleton
A. Hartie Spence
J.W. Tucker

2004
Julie Fuller
Hillar C. Moore, Jr.
John Pastorek
Oscar L. Pea, Jr.
Jennifer Eplett Reilly
Gloria Ann Simmons

2005
Bernice Arboneaux
Jolie Berry
Sister Judith Brun
Charlotte Cantwell
Wayne Davis
Walda Gibbs
Bob Greer
James Jacocks
Donna Mayeux
Joe Simmons
Bill Smith

2006
John Carnahan
Cati Hardy
Holley Galland Haymaker
Dr. John Hopper
Norman Landry
Gerald Lane
Brandon Parlange
Patricia Robinson
John Smith
Charles Spencer
Stephen Strohschein

2007
George Ballard
Charles Bennett
Frances Bennett
Joseph Campbell
Beth Courtney
Mary Durusau
Gary Graham
Jim Etta Wells Lee
Bobby Yarborough

2008
Marvin E. Borgmeyer
Fred Cerise
Hallique L. Dawson
Cordell H. Haymon
Clifton Murphy
Joseph B. "Beau" Olinde, Jr.
Robert R. Rainer
Constance W. Smith
Elizabeth Treppendahl
Roberta Carona Vicari, M.D.

2009
Father Bayhi
Dr. Bill Cassidy
Mary Beth Chevalier
Jay Dardenne
Paula de la Bretonne
Norman Deumite
Claire Major
Mae C. McGuffery
Nancy Roberts

2010
Ralph Bender
Monica Bradsher
Dede Sabagh Ferrara
Bettsie Baker Miller
Rev. Mary Moody
Roger A. Moser
Manjari Patel
Dan Reed
Franceen Reeher
Felix Weill

2011
Dr. Katrice A. Albert
Mary Boston
Linda Bowsher
Melissa deGeneres
Missy Epperson
B.E.B.E. Facundus
Margaret C. Hart
Blanche & Wylie Harvey
Rose Hudson
Vera Martin
Jay O'Brien
Sean Reilly

2012
Kathleen A. Andrus
Scott Berg
Julie Dickinson
Rachel Rackley Howell
Clay Johnson
Gary Littlefield
Ruth Pace
Elizabeth Querbes Sammons
Bill Slaughter
Sylvia Essex Winder
Karen Zobrist

2013
Sr. Martha Ann Abshire
Jairo Alvarez
David Bondy
Barbara Anne Eaton
Barbara Freiberg
Verni Howard
Jim McIlwain
Bill O'Quin
Laura Poche
Matt Saurage
Leonard Sedlin

2014
Lori Bertman
Judy Foil
Gwen and Todd Graves
Gwen Hamilton
R. Brian Haymon
Janice H. Pellar
Randy P. Roussel
Stephen M. Toups
Joe Traigle
Jacqui Vines

2015
Linda & McCleish Dawkins
Charles P. Freeburgh
Kathryn Kissam
Kevin F. Knobloch
Crissie Head Landry
Dr. Carol M. Patin
Chip Robinson
Nick Speyrer
Mike Wampold
Erin Monroe Wesley

2016
J. Stanley “Skip” Bertman
Dan Borné
Dr. Doze Butler
David Faulk
Rose Marie Fife
Pam Bennett Fisher
Lane Grigsby
Scott Hensgens
Layne McDaniel
Adrienne Moore

2017
Dennis Blunt
Melissa Campbell
Camilla Ford
Perry Franklin
Cate Heroman
Jerry Jolly
Janet Olson
Dave Roberts
Susan Rolfs
Monique Scott-Spaulding

2018
Coletta Barrett
Jim Brandt
Nancy Crawford
Staci Deumite Duhe
Alsie Dunbar
Edmund Giering
Wendy Lipsey
Dr. Fatemeh Malekian
Rolfe McCollister
Levar Robinson
Todd Schexnayder
Ann Trappey
Emerging Activist:
Hailey Junca

2019
Susan Eaton
Lillie Petit Gallagher
Roberta Guillory
Kathleen Howell
Ernesto Johnson
Mathew Laborde
Darrel Papillion
Nial Patel
Skip Philips
Kathy Fletcher Victorian
Emerging Activist:
Skye Taylor

2021
Laurie Lipsey Aronson
Leonard Augustus, Jr.
Cheri Ausberry
Jan Breen
Preston Castille
O'Neil Curtis
Norsha Kirts Glover
Bridget Kaigler
Eric Lane
John Turner

2022
Maxine Crump
Eric Dexter
Larry Galloway
Cathy Giering
Michelle Hardy
James "Big Brown" Joseph
Jolie LeBlanc
Jeanne McCollister McNeil
Cary Saurage
Diane Tate

2023
John Terrell "Tee" Brown
Joseph Cefalu
Haggai Davis II
Marty Engquist
Chanler Holden Mittendorf
Ruthie Kean
Jennifer Richardson
Robert Schneckenburger
LaShara Trahan
Pamela Wall

2024
Leslie Berg
Cathy Coates
Patricia Day
Brett Furr
Langston and Sabrina Galloway
Stuart Gilly
Vera Olds
Nicole Scott
John Snow
Raedtha Vasquez

2025
Andy Blumberg
Donna Collins-Lewis
Tiandra "Tia" Fields
Tina Holland
H. Carter Leak IV
Mimi Singer Lee
Paije Lopez
Jackie McCreary
Danielle Mensman
Greg Wood Jr.

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