



Peterborough and District Labour Council
Box 1928, Peterborough, Ontario, K9J 7X7

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2026 Labour Appreciation Awards

The Peterborough & District Labour Council will be recognizing labour activists at its 70th Anniversary on Friday, May 1, 2026.

The following three (3) awards are to be presented:

1. Margot Marshall Labour Activist of the Year
2. Health & Safety Activist Award
3. Lifetime Achievement Awards

The purpose of these awards is to recognize volunteer activism from union members affiliated to Peterborough & District Labour Council in our communities. Please review the criteria for each award and then write up to 500 words on why the individual nominated should receive the award.

The nomination form follows the criteria.

Margot Marshall Labour Activist of the Year Criteria

This award has been named after the late Margot Marshall, the Labour Activist of the Year in 2003. Margot served as Labour Council recording secretary for 12 years, organized labour council events, and always served her labour community with distinction.

- Someone who has made a significant contribution to the advancement of working people in the Peterborough area over the past year would qualify for this award.

Health and Safety Activist Award Criteria

This award goes to a person who is a bargaining unit member of a union affiliated with the Peterborough & District Labour Council, and who is in a worker representative role in their workplace (health and safety representative, joint health and safety committee member, steward, unit chair, local union executive board member, etc.). The recipient of this award will then have their name submitted to the Workers Health & Safety Centre to receive its annual award at a ceremony generally in the fall.

- Specifically, a person in your Local who has given an outstanding volunteer effort in this representative role that has contributed to the elimination of hazards and the protection of workers' health and safety would qualify for this award.

Lifetime Achievement Awards

Peterborough & District Labour Council will present these special awards at our 70th Anniversary celebration on Friday, May 1, 2026.

- Individuals nominated will have demonstrated long-term contributions to Peterborough & District Labour Council with a proven record of encouraging and supporting labour activism in their local, in their union and in the broader labour movement in Peterborough, as well as in the community of Peterborough.



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2026 Nomination Form

The awards:

- 1. Margot Marshall Labour Activist of the Year**
- 2. Health & Safety Activist Award**
- 3. Lifetime Achievement Award**

Please write a minimum of 500 words, using the criteria noted, detailing why nominees should receive one of the three awards to be presented at Peterborough & District Labour Council's 70th anniversary celebration on Friday, May 1.

Use a different page for each nomination with the Award name at the top of the page.

Letters of support are encouraged.

Please submit nominations no later than **4 pm Tuesday, March 31, 2026**, by mail to P.O. Box 1928, Peterborough, ON, K9J 2C5; or by email to ptbolabour@gmail.com