



MILWAUKEE FRIENDS MEETING
**Eleanor Backus Peace
Award**

The Eleanor Backus Peace Award is given in honor of Eleanor Backus (1907-1999), a longtime member of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). Eleanor was a peace educator and social justice advocate all her life, both locally and internationally. A mother of six, Eleanor believed it was "wrong to bring children into the world and do nothing about the world they are inheriting."

You are eligible for up to a \$1000 award if both of these apply:

1. You are a high school junior or senior when you apply, *AND*
2. You can provide evidence of **leadership and/or personal initiative** individually or with an organization (including volunteer or paid work) **relating to peace, conflict resolution, or social justice including environmental issues.**

Visit our website at www.milwaukeequakers.org and read about the award. Then complete the following information and fill out the online form no later than **midnight, Sunday, October 22, 2023**. *No transcripts, please.*

Questions about the award or the application process may be directed to backuspeaceaward@milwaukeequakers.org.

Completed applications may be sent by postal service or email:

Eleanor Backus Peace Award
Milwaukee Friends Meeting
3224 N. Gordon Place
Milwaukee, WI 53212

**Deadline:
Midnight, Sunday,
October 22, 2023**

backuspeaceaward@milwaukeequakers.org

Application

The form may be completed electronically with a PDF reader and either emailed or printed and mailed to the address above.

1. Applicant's name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

High School: _____

Expected graduation year: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

2) Description of Peace-Related Activity

Provide a brief description of your activities relating to peace, conflict resolution, or social justice including environmental issues. Include how your leadership abilities and personal initiative made a difference for these activities and/or organizations. Please include your name in your description. You may write it below or provide your description on another piece of paper or word processing file.

3) Letter of Recommendation

This must be from an adult who is *not a family member* and who has direct knowledge of your leadership abilities and initiative in working for peace, conflict resolution, or social justice.

Your reference should provide a typewritten, signed letter, or a word processing or PDF file sent to the address below. We must receive the letter of recommendation, as well as your application, by the **deadline of midnight on Sunday, October 22, 2023.**

The letter of recommendation must include the applicant's name and what relationship you have to them. We will contact your reference to ask them further questions about your activities.

Please complete the contact information for the person writing your recommendation:

Name of reference: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship to you (teacher, supervisor, etc.) _____

Please ask the adult to send the letter of recommendation including your name to:

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