



2025 GLADYS RAY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY AWARD NOMINATION



The Fargo Native American Commission is now seeking nominations for individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the Indigenous Peoples of Fargo. The recipient will be formally recognized at Indigenous Peoples Day on Monday, October 13, 2025. The deadline for returning nomination forms is **Friday, October 3, 2025**.

Background: The Gladys Ray Award was created in honor of Gladys Shingobe Ray. In her family's words, she was a dedicated lifelong human rights advocate and volunteer, who served her community through involvement in many organizations and by assisting in the development of many programs. She advocated for all people, especially American Indians, children, and the homeless. She served as a mentor and advisor to many individuals and for many projects. Gladys was devoted to sharing her love, wisdom and strength with all of her family, friends and all she knew.

To nominate someone for the Gladys Ray Award, please complete the information below and return this form by October 3, 2025 by email to Planning@FargoND.gov, or by mail to the Native American Commission, City of Fargo Planning Department, 225 4th St. N, Fargo, ND 58102. For more information, please contact the Native American Commission at 701.241.1474.

Date: _____ Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee Occupation: _____

Nominee Address: _____

Nominee Phone #: _____ Nominee E-mail: _____

Your Name: _____ Your Phone #: _____

Please provide a description of who you are nominating and why you feel this person should receive the Gladys Ray Award (use additional sheet if necessary).

NOTE: Should the nominee be chosen, the information provided will be used for the award ceremony and publicity. Therefore, it is important that all information be correct, complete and specific. Current members of the Fargo Native American Commission cannot be nominated for an award.