

Grand Master's Award 2025-26

The Grand Master's Award Program is designed to build and strengthen Lodges across this jurisdiction. The form is divided into 6 sections, each area focusing on key measurables to promote positive growth, member engagement and personal improvement.

Section 1 includes specific tasks created by the Grand Master. Sections 2 through 6 will remain the same each year providing continuity for lodge leadership planning year over year.

To be eligible, a lodge selects from a list of challenges from each section to complete the required number for that section.

The period from consideration is the Grand Lodge fiscal year which begins August 1 and ends on July 31 each year. Submit completed forms to the Junior Grand Warden at JGW@Freemason.com. (Copy your DDGM as well)

Lodge : _____

YES	NO	Action or Activity
<u>Section 1 -Committed to the Craft - 3 of 3 required</u>		
		Contact each of your Lodge members two times during the year. (Over and above Dues collection)
		2 representatives from your Lodge as Ohio Masonic Communities Resource Center Volunteers (they can be members and their significant other) Set up training with Recourse Center.
		Lodge must have a Chamber of Reflection (existing chamber of reflections will be awarded as long as they follow the requirements in Grand View)
<u>Section 2 - Charitable Relief - 3 of 5 required</u>		
		Increase the amount donated to the Grand Lodge Charitable Foundation and the Ohio Masonic Communities Foundation from the previous year.
		Host a Charity Drive: Examples include Coat Drive, Toy Drive, Blood Drive, Food Collection
		Award a Scholarship for a College or Trade School
		Home Upkeep and Repair: Help a Brother, Widow or neighbor with projects such as building a handicap ramp, cleaning gutters, cut grass, shovel snow, etc.
		Volunteering Event: Build a Bed, Food Bank, Parking Cars, etc.
<u>Section 3 - Membership - 4 of 5 required</u>		
		Plus One Initiative – Lodges will have raised one more Mason than they've lost to death, demit or suspension for the year. Any approved methods of raising new members can be utilized.
		Lodge Prospect Manager must be assigned & give updates in your stated meetings
		Lodge Event for Members outside of Lodge. I.E. Significant Others Dinner, Lodge Bowling, Family Gathering.
		Recruitment Night: Invite a good man to Dinner at your Lodge & to hear about what Freemasonry is in a relaxed setting!
		Bring A Brother Back to Lodge: Have each of your officers bring a Brother back to Lodge for a meeting that doesn't normally attend. Please provide education about being active in Lodge & Thank Them for coming back!

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<u>Section 4 - Community Involvement - 4 of 6 required</u>		
		Sponsorship: Baseball Team, Golf Outing, School Trip, etc.
		Dinner w/Entertainment outside of Lodge
		Attend an event with 5 or more Masons: Sporting Event, Concert, Etc.
		Parade – Have a float in your local parade or simply march with a banner out front. It can be any parade for the year.
		Host a Movie Night for Lodge members & families
		Work together with other Local Organizations: Local Churches, Lyons, Rotary, or Community Foundations
<u>Section 5 - Education - 4 of 5 required</u>		
		Wardens & Deacons Class attended
		Code Courses taken at least once in the last 3 years (Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden)
		Learn a new Lecture and Charge from memory by members of the lodge
		Hold a Typewritten Ritual meeting
		Attend an Educational event outside of your Lodge i.e. 8th District Education Day, 22nd District Education Summit, Royal Scofield Masterpiece Presentation, etc.
<u>Section 6 - Marketing - 3 of 4 required</u>		
		Have at least 1 Social Media Outlet (Facebook, Instagram, X) & keep it regularly updated
		Submit 1 event picture & description to your local newspaper
		If you have a website, keep it updated. Website address: _____
		Promote your Lodge – Create a Lodge Shirt, Hat, or Bumper Sticker that is Lodge Specific or something from the GLO Store for your membership to promote your Lodge with!

Submitted by: _____

Office Held: _____

Approved: _____

DDGM: _____