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2026 Annual Meeting

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Family Services of NWPA

Award Winners



Legacy Award

George Joseph

George Joseph has been a member of the Family Services of NW PA Executive Board for nearly 25 years. In July 2026, George stepped down as the Executive Board Chair after serving in that role for more than two decades. He continues to serve as a board member.

During his tenure on the Executive Board, George was known for his strong leadership skills, his ability to remain calm during turbulent times, and his passion for helping children and families in our region. George is also a long-time supporter of Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake and continues to serve as a champion of Family Services of NW PA's vision that every family thrives.



Philanthropy Award

Loesel-Schaaf Insurance

Doug Loesel, Chairman of the Board of Loesel-Schaaf Insurance Agency, has been involved with Family Services of NW PA for 45 years. During that time, he helped solicit corporate sponsors for Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake and served as a member of the Family Services of NW PA Executive Board.

Over the past four decades, Loesel-Schaaf Insurance Agency has donated nearly $70,000 to support both Family Services of NW PA and Big Brothers Big Sisters. In addition to serving as a long-time corporate sponsor for Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl For Kids' Sake, Loesel-Schaaf Insurance Agency has also supported the Family Services of NW PA Annual Meeting as a corporate sponsor since 2020.



Agency Champion Award

John DiMattio

John DiMattio recently retired after working for more than 40 years in the human services field. Most recently, he worked as the Director of Human Services for Erie County.

During his tenure, John oversaw a wide range of programs serving children and families in Erie County. He is credited with building a more effective and connected human services system by implementing data tools that monitor performance and identify gaps; strengthening planning, accountability, and responsiveness; and developing long-standing relationships with local providers to improve coordination and access. As a result of John's work, more residents now receive the support they need when they need it.



Outstanding Volunteer Award

Gina Weigle

Gina has been a mentor with North Star Mentoring of the Erie County Independent Living Program since it started in 2020. She is one of only two original mentors to remain involved with the program.

Gina was first matched with a young women named T, who aged out of the program in January 2026. Gina still stays in touch with T and was recently matched with Neisha. Gina shows initiative and leadership by being a consistent and stable person in the lives of both mentees.

"Gina doesn't just fill a role," said Kellie Tate, Mentoring Specialist with the Erie County Independent Living Program. "She is a permanent foundation for T and Neisha's future."