

GOOD NEIGHBOR OF THE YEAR AWARD:

This award was named for the late Diana Conn and was presented to her posthumously at the 2013 Neighborhood Conference. It is given to a resident who -- in the spirit of cooperation and with commitment to an inclusive community -- has devoted time and talent in service to his or her neighbors and neighborhood. This person does not do things to get recognition or to boast but to do what they believe is best to make their neighbors' lives better.

Thank you to the 2021 Good Neighbor of the Year Selection Committee members Molly Conaway, Emma Ellis-Cosigua and Rob Glass.

Congratulations to the 2021 Good Neighbor of the Year Recipient:

Eric McAnly

Nominated by Pond Gap & Bearden Neighbors

The owner of a pickup truck given to him by his dad, Eric McAnly is known for moving dirt, furniture, recycling, waste materials and anything else friends or neighbors need transported. He is passionate about helping others grow their gardens, sharing and planting seeds and seedlings and providing gardening tips. He can often be found wandering Knoxville's greenways with a neighbor's dog, picking up litter and enjoying science, history and nature podcasts along the way. Eric models a life of service to his community. Believing in the betterment of oneself through the betterment of the people and places around us is an ideal Eric lives every day.

