



DISABILITY AWARENESS WEEK HONORABLE ANDY SCOTT AWARD



Robert Andrew "Andy" Keith Scott (March 16, 1955 – June 24, 2013) was a Member of Parliament representing Fredericton, New Brunswick from 1993 to 2007. Over the course of his career in Federal politics, Scott served as Solicitor General; Minister of State for Infrastructure and Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. He did not seek federal reelection in 2008 and assumed a research post in social policy at the University of New Brunswick. Scott was a steadfast champion for education and literacy causes.

In the late 1970s as a University student, Andy became one of the drivers for the Venture Van program operated by CRCDD (now Easter Seals New Brunswick) which provided accessible transportation to students with disabilities attending public schools before districts took on this responsibility. Andy touched the lives of many people living with a disability and their families in New Brunswick through his volunteer roles with Easter Seals, the New Brunswick Association for Community Living, Camp Rotary, and Disability Awareness Week.

In June 1996, the Government of Canada established the Federal Task Force on Disability Issues, which was chaired by Andy Scott resulting in a major report, *Equal Citizenship for Canadians with Disabilities: The Will to Act*. In particular, the task force affirmed a federal role with regard to disability issues and the need for a disability policy framework that would ensure the full inclusion and participation of people with disabilities in Canadian society.

In 2007 Andy was recognized for his long term support of disability issues through a provincial award as part of New Brunswick Disability Awareness Week. He is described as a tireless community builder and as a leader and politician with a strong social conscience. After a courageous battle with cancer, Andy passed away in 2013 at the age of 58. While Andy may no longer be with us, his life's work promoting inclusion and human rights for persons with disabilities and others will leave a lasting legacy as someone who truly made a difference. Scott was the husband of Denise Cameron Scott and the father of three sons, Nathan, Nicholas and Noah.

This award recognizes an individual who has made it their life's work to improve the lives of persons with a disability in New Brunswick.

Submit nominations to pcd-cpmph@gnb.ca or mail them to:

Honorable Andy Scott Award

140 - 250 King Street

PO Box 6000

Fredericton NB E3B 9M9

Fax to: 506-444-3001

Deadline for Submission: **May 19th, 2023**

Nomination Form

1. Name of person/organization nominating the candidate for the award:

Email: _____

Telephone number: (506) _____

2. Name of nominee: _____

Email: _____

Telephone number: (506) _____

Current address: _____

***3. How many years has the nominee been working/volunteering in a disability field?**

***4. Please describe the ways in which the nominee has had a lasting impact on the lives of people with disabilities in New Brunswick (in their employment, volunteerism, etc.**

***5. Why do you feel this nominee is a deserving candidate of this award?**

***6. Any other information you would like to include.**

* Attach additional information on separate sheets if there is insufficient room on this form for your needs.