

## Sample Press Release

Type on council letterhead, including a local contact person and filling in specific information from your council.

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For more information contact:

*(Contact person's name, phone, and e-mail)*

### LOCAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL RECEIVES TOP AWARD

*(City, State/Province — Date)* Knights of Columbus Council (*number*) in (*city*) has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award.

The Star Council award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of the fraternal insurance program, and sponsorship of service-oriented activities.

The award was presented to the membership by *(title and name of presenter)* at a special ceremony held on *(date)*.

*(Insert paragraph on council programs and accomplishments.)*

With more than 1.7 million members, the Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic lay organization. It provides members and their families with volunteer opportunities in service to the Catholic Church, the community, families, and young people. In *(year)*, the Knights of Columbus at all levels of the organization raised and distributed *\$(number)* million to charity and rendered *(number)* million hours of volunteer service.

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