



2020

AWARDS PROGRAM

Acknowledging the difference people make in life is a powerful action. The APWA AWARDS program was established to recognize outstanding individuals, groups and organizations representing the best in the public works profession. By recognizing professional contributions, public works professionals promote an atmosphere of mutual respect and provide a way to grow and achieve.

2020 APWA Chapter Award Submittals

The Oklahoma Chapter of the American Public Works Association is pleased to present this call for award applications for branch, chapter and national consideration. Awards are listed below. Award criteria and nomination forms are available by visiting: <https://www.apwa.net/awards>.

APWA Awards Recognizing the Members

Award requires that nominees be APWA members in good standing.

Awards	National	Chapter
Community Involvement Award	✓	✓
Contractor of the Year Award (need not be a member of APWA)		✓
Charles Walter Nichols Award for Environmental Excellence	✓	
Distinguished Service to Public Works Award	✓	✓
Donald C. Stone Award for Excellence in Education	✓	
Harry S. Swearingen Award for Outstanding Chapter Achievement and Excellence in Chapter Service	✓	✓
International Service Award	✓	
Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE)	✓	
Professional Manager of the Year Award (different categories for national)	✓	✓
Myron Calkins Young Leader of the Year Award	✓	✓

APWA Awards Recognizing the Profession

Membership in APWA is not required. The intent of these awards is to focus beyond membership into the profession of public works.

Awards	National	Chapter
Commendation for Exemplary Service to Public Works	✓	✓
Excellence in Snow and Ice Control Award	✓	
Exceptional Performance Award (6 categories)	✓	
Public Works Project of the Year Award	✓	✓
Public Works Project of the Year Award – Small Cities/Rural Communities	✓	
Technical Innovation Award and Management Innovation Award	✓	
Top Ten Public Works Leaders of the Year Award	✓	✓

Submit applications for consideration in the Awards Program to with the Chapter will then choose its nominees for endorsement and submittal at the national level for the following year. Those choosing to submit solely for national consideration may do so, but they will not receive chapter endorsement. Although this is not a formal requirement for most categories, Chapter endorsement has some influence on the selection committee's evaluation.

Deadlines

Please follow the submittal guidelines outlined on **page 5** of this brochure and submit the required material by the deadline date of **January 31, 2020** Applications must be received by midnight on this day. to any of the following:

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Chapter Awards Timeline	
Awards Submittals Due	Friday, January 31, 2020
Notification of Endorsements to Chapter Winners - Submitter responsible for adding/modifying National submittal	Friday, February 07, 2020
APWA National Awards Due	Monday, March 02, 2020
Award Ceremony	APWA/OWEA Conference May 18-20, 2020

IMPORTANT NOTE: Projects submitted under the Project of the Year Award must have been completed in the past 2 years to be considered.

The following pages provide a brief description of each APWA award. Eligibility criteria for each award are outlined in detail on the national guidelines and nomination forms, available through the link on the National website at: <https://www.apwa.net/awards>.

APWA Awards Recognizing the Members (Descriptions for only Chapter Level Awards)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AWARD

To recognize public works leaders who are also leaders in their community. To encourage public works professionals to become active leaders in their community. To ensure public trust in public works professionals through recognition of outstanding community leadership.

CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

These awards will be presented by the individual branches of the Chapter to deserving contractors. Each contractor nominated for this award will receive a letter from the Chapter acknowledging that they have been nominated. These awards give recognition to contractors who have provided exceptional and continued service to Public Works. It is recognition for those contractors, large or small, who are always available to provide help and assistance in both scheduled activities and emergency situations. A nomination for this award says, "Thanks for all the help."

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO PUBLIC WORKS AWARD

To promote and enhance the purposes of APWA. This award is regarded as the highest honor that APWA can bestow. Established in 1935 as the Honorary Membership Award, this honor is intended to indicate to the greatest possible extent APWA's esteem, respect and regard.

HARRY S. SWEARINGEN AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AND EXCELLENCE IN CHAPTER SERVICE

Established in 1958 to perpetuate the memory of Harry Seller Swearingen (1900–1957), who worked untiringly on behalf of APWA and its purposes. A career employee of the City of Los Angeles, Swearingen was an active member of the Southern California Chapter. This award recognizes outstanding individual achievement through chapter activity and achievement in support of APWA's strategic plan, goals and objectives, as well as outstanding service to APWA as a public or private sector member at the chapter level.

PROFESSIONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Professional Manager of the Year Award seeks to inspire excellence and dedication in the public sector by recognizing outstanding career service achievements in different areas; Engineering and Technology, Facilities and Grounds, Public Fleet, Public Right-of-Way, Public Works Emergency Management, Solid Waste, Transportation, & Water Resources. The primary focus of this award is the recognition of exceptional leadership and management in the given area.

MYRON CALKINS YOUNG LEADER OF THE YEAR AWARD

To recognize and encourage young APWA members who have demonstrated an initial commitment to the profession and the association and show potential for future growth within the association. The award promotes the concept that length of career does not necessarily indicate leadership abilities or potential for service.

To View all available **National Awards** and their criteria, visit: www.apwa.net and click on **Awards**.

APWA Awards Recognizing the Profession (Descriptions for only Chapter Level Awards)

COMMENDATION FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO PUBLIC WORKS

To recognize an eminent government or other public service leader for far-reaching positive impact on local, state or national public works programs, services, or policies through distinguished public service and commitment. Established in 1972 and previously known as the Distinguished Service Award, this award particularly recognizes leadership in furthering the mission and goals of APWA.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects.

Awards in all four (4) divisions are accepted with one (1) Chapter Award given. Awards are given in all four (4) divisions for National only:

1. Projects less than \$5 million
2. Projects greater than \$5 million, but less than \$25 million
3. Projects from \$25 million to \$75 million
4. Projects greater than \$75 million

Under five (5) categories:

1. Structures—to include public structure preservation/rehabilitation, municipal buildings, parks, etc.
2. Transportation—to include roads, bridges, mass transit, etc.
3. Environment—to include treatment and recycling facilities, landfill reclamation projects, sewer projects, etc.
4. Historical Restoration/Preservation—to include historical restoration, preservation and adaptive reuse of existing buildings, structures, and facilities, etc.
5. Disaster or Emergency Construction/Repair—to include the techniques and timing for safety, community relations, environmental protection, adverse conditions and additional considerations.

TOP TEN PUBLIC WORKS LEADERS OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Top Ten Public Works Leaders of the Year program seeks to inspire excellence and dedication in public service by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of individual public works professionals and officials, from both the public and private sectors. The primary focus of the award is on career service to the public works profession rather than on any one single event or project.

Awards Criteria and Submittal forms can be found at: <https://www.apwa.net/awards>.

Submittal Procedures

The Chapter utilizes the standard national APWA awards templates, available through the online link at www.apwa.net, which provides the selection guidelines and nomination information required for each award category. There is no limit to the number of award nominations you can make. Award applicants also need to provide supplemental information for press release and notification. Use the checklist below to ensure that your application is complete before submitting:

- EMAIL copy of your **Original Award Submittal**. Be sure to address the selection criteria for your particular award and include any photos that you would like the selection committee to consider in their evaluation. Only one or two photos will be used, so pick your best photo that represents your nomination.
- EMAIL copy of the **National Award Application** Form for your specific category.
- EMAIL copy of completed **Chapter award Contact Information**.

Chapter Award Nomination Contact Information

Please type this information exactly as requested. It will be cut and pasted into a database.

Award Category Submitted:	
Nominee: (as printed on plaque)	
Title of Project: (if applicable)	
Award Contact Name: (this must be the awardee) Salutation (Mr., Mrs., Ms.)	
First Name	
Last Name	
Job Title	
Company/Agency	
Address1	
Address 2	
City	
Postal Code	
Contact email:	
Contact Phone	