



2018 Planning Awards Program

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Call for Nominations

The Planning Association of Washington (PAW) and the Washington Chapter of the American Planning Association (APAWA) are pleased to announce the 2018 Awards Program.

For the 32nd year, the associations will jointly honor outstanding contributions to the field of planning in Washington state. Our joint award program goals are to:

- Recognize exemplary planning efforts in Washington
- Promote superior quality planning in government and the private sector
- Increase public awareness of the role of PAW and APA in planning in the state

Applications must be received by 5:00 PM on Friday, March 16th, 2018

**Awards will be presented at the
2018 PAW Spring Conference
May 1st – 4th, 2018 in Chelan.**

Let's Celebrate Successful Planning and Showcase your Projects!

2018 award winners will have their projects/plans featured in The Western Planner Magazine, the Washington Chapter of the APA newsletter and website, the PAW newsletter and in APA Washington's Planning Commissioner newsletter.

The Nominating Process

Award Categories

1st, select the award category that best fits your project. Nominations should be made for one category only. Listing of one secondary/alternate category is permitted. Determination of the most appropriate category will be made by the awards jury, whose decision is final.

The award categories are as follows:

- **Students** – Any project completed as part of an undergraduate or graduate program, including team efforts. Projects awarded in this category should demonstrate a positive contribution to the planning community.
- **Implementation** – Examples of projects awarded in this category include: site selection, site plans, constructed projects, project delivery or evaluation, capital improvement programs, shoreline management projects, projects linking planning and public health, and success in implementing Growth Management Act comprehensive planning.
- **Comprehensive Planning/Development Regulations-Large Cities & Counties** – (Cities >40,000 population and Counties >60,000) Master plans, urban design standards or guidelines, comprehensive plans, downtown improvement plans, revitalization plans, historic preservation plans, natural resource plans, development codes, economic planning, strategic planning, etc.
- **Comprehensive Planning/Development Regulations-Small Cities & Counties** - (Cities < 40,000 population and Counties <60,000) Master plans, urban design standards or guidelines, comprehensive plans, downtown improvement plans, revitalization plans, historic preservation plans, natural resource plans, development codes, economic planning, strategic planning, etc. This is a broad category that includes planning efforts underway across rural areas of Washington State, such as rural elements, natural resource land plans, subarea plans, and local areas of more intensive rural development (LAMIRDS).
- **Transportation Plans** – Transportation planning, corridor studies, transit planning, non-motorized plans, pedestrian plans, and transportation demand management.
- **Citizen Involvement** – Community outreach, participation or education efforts related to planning programs or constructed projects, relationship and acceptance of community stakeholders; this includes projects working with special populations such as youth or communities not typically engaged in planning.
- **Sustainability**– Creating and/or implementing plans, initiatives, programs, and projects related to sustainability, adaptation and resiliency.

2nd, be prepared to address the following **Review Criteria**:

1. Outstanding application of planning principles: how the nominated plan or project not only meets but exceeds sound planning principles and practices.
2. Implementation of community values: how community values as contained within a planning document/vision statement, are reflected in the plan or project.
3. Contribution to specific planning technologies such as wireless devices, web-based tools, permit review & tracking systems, etc.: how the plan or project used emerging technologies and/or techniques plus how your experience can serve as a model or be applied by others.
4. Furtherance of GMA: how the plan or project advanced the goals of the GMA in a local jurisdiction.
5. Suitability of the solution to the problem or context: how the plan or project provides an appropriate approach to an issue and how it has been embraced or implemented by the community/client.
6. Innovative and/or creative solution or project, and demonstration of applicability to other projects: how the nominated plan or project has successfully ventured a new or rarely used approach to a problem and how transferrable this innovation is to other planning scenarios.

-- Regional projects or plans that extend beyond Washington State may be eligible but must have a substantial nexus to planning in Washington.

—All plans/projects must have been completed within the time period of June 2017 through May 2018. "Completed" means either a final draft document has been finalized for formal consideration by local government (i.e., Planning Commissions, Councils or Commissioners) or has been adopted. For projects that involve construction of improvements, construction must be substantially complete by June 30, 2018. For student projects, submittals must be completed as required by your degree program).

Note:

1. The following requirements apply to all nomination submittals: Submittals shall be made as an electronic form. Attachments can be uploaded along with your online form. Your submittal will be judged solely on the electronic submittal.
2. Submittals shall be a maximum of 10 single-sided 8 ½ " x 11" electronic document pages, minimum 11-point font. In addition, up to 5 letters of endorsement and up to 5 graphics as large as 11" x 17" in size may also be submitted. ***Note: submittals exceeding these page limits will not be considered.***

Payment

Remit payment with the appropriate application fee. Credit cards are accepted or make checks payable to Planning Association of Washington. Payment is non-refundable. s (per application):

- Student \$25.00
- APA or PAW members \$150.00
- Non-members \$200.00

Mail Check payments to

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Deadline

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Other Information

- The Awards Committee will attempt to notify applicants of the jury's decisions by mid-April.
- Award recipients will be contacted by the Awards Committee for arrangements for the Awards Ceremony to be held during the PAW Spring Conference May 1st – 4th, 2018 in Chelan.

For more information about the sponsoring organizations, including membership, visit their websites at:

www.planningpaw.org

www.washington-apa.org

Our thanks to this year's APA/PAW Awards Committee Co-Chairs:

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