

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO PUBLIC WORKS AWARD

Purpose To promote and enhance the purposes of APWA. This award is regarded as the highest honor that APWA can bestow on a member. Candidates must be Individuals who would reflect prestige and honor upon APWA.

Background This award may be presented in recognition of acknowledged service and well-established preeminence in the field of public works.

Eligibility Candidates must be an APWA member in good standing and have a minimum of 10 years continuous membership. National Board members and past presidents of APWA must be out of office at least five years before being eligible for this award.

Selection The Awards committee reviews the nominations and selects the winners.

Criteria Applications should address the following specific criteria, which will be evaluated in the selection process:

1. Identify significant contributions in the field of public works – provide specific examples where the nominee has contributed to public works
2. Demonstrate consistent leadership at the chapter and/or national level. Provide information related to the board and committee positions held by the nominee
3. Describe commitment to advancing the profession – provide specific examples where the nominee has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to advancing the profession, public works awareness and APWA goals

Nomination Process Candidates must be nominated by a chapter or anyone or more members of the APWA Board of Directors. Submissions are limited to 20 pages. The 20 pages do not include a letter of introduction from the chapter/nominator or the nomination form.

Deadline March 1, 2022 (electronic submittals only)

Presentation The award winners are presented with a plaque at the Awards Recognition Ceremony during PWX and are featured in APWA publications.

Former Recipients

2021	James J. Dean, Superintendent of Highways, Town of Orangetown, NY
2019	Rich Benevento, President, Worldtech Engineering, LLC, Woburn, MA
2018	Lisa Ann Rapp, Director of Public Works, City of Lakewood, CA
2017	Carl L. Quiram, P.E., ENVSP, PWLF, Project Manager, Interwest Consulting Group, Huntington Beach, CA
2014	R. Mark DeVries, PWLF, Superintendent, McHenry County Highway Dept., Woodstock, IL
2013	Mike DeGiacomo, Deceased, Streets, Traffic and Drainage Maintenance Superintendent, City of Oklahoma City, OK
2009	James W. Harrod, Public Works Consultant, Pittsburgh, PA
2008	Ric Robertshaw, P.Eng. Director, Wastewater Division, Region of Peel, Brampton, Ontario