

Purpose To recognize public works professionals who are actively involved in their community; either where they work or where they live. To recognize public works professionals through recognition of outstanding community involvement to enhance quality of life and to provide a positive role model for other public works professionals.

Eligibility Candidates must meet the following criteria:

1. Be an active member of APWA.
2. Be active in the community, demonstrated through volunteering significant time/and or personal resources to work with charitable organizations, educational organizations, health organizations, community service groups, and/or participating in significant community projects or programs which improve the quality of life in the community.

A nominee's volunteer efforts must contribute to organizations or projects that support and encourage diversity and inclusiveness.

Selection The Awards Committee reviews the nominations and selects no more than two (2) candidates annually for receipt of the award.

Nomination Process Nominations may be made by an APWA chapter, individual APWA members, community organization, or public agency. Include with the nomination form documentation or verifiable evidence of both professional recognition and community leadership and how the nominee's community service contributions have had a positive impact on the quality of life and sustainable solutions within the community.

Deadline March 1, 2018 (electronic submittals only)

Presentation The winner(s) is presented with a plaque at the Awards Recognition Ceremony during PWX and featured in APWA publications.

Former Recipients

2017	Matthew Bartlett, Assistant Director of Public Works, Village of Hawthorn Woods, IL
2015	Carl Schoedel, P.E., County Engineer, Kane County, IL, Division of Transportation
2014	David L. Derrick, Director of Public Works and Engineering, City of Kissimmee, FL
2013	Dean Bayer, P.E., Project Manager, City of San Antonio, TX Rick Eilertson, Environmental Engineer, City of Fitchburg, WI
2012	Donald D. Jacobovitz, P.E., Director of Public Works, Putnam County, FL
2011	James J. Proce, Director of Public Works/Development, City of Rowlett, TX
2010	Linda Petelka, B.Sc., Manager, Wastewater Program Planning Section, Region of Peel, ON
2009	Sharyn L. Fox, Municipal Program Manager, Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP, Newport News, VA
2008	Eric K. Dargan, Deputy Director, Right-of-Way and Fleet Maintenance Div., City of Houston, TX
2007	Richard P. Merson, Director of Public Works, Needham, MA