



The 2018 UNIFIED PROGRAM AGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL & SAFETY LEADERSHIP AWARDS

INTRODUCTION: This award program is intended to highlight exceptional achievement by Unified Program Agencies, Participating Agencies and individuals. Multiple awards will be acknowledged before the 2019 CUPA Training Conference, if warranted.

PROGRAM STATEMENT: In a concise, one or two-page format (not to exceed 500 words), please describe the organization, program, or individual being nominated and indicate why the nominee should be awarded a UNIFIED PROGRAM AGENCY ENVIRONMENTAL & SAFETY LEADERSHIP AWARD. Among the items that should be addressed in this statement are:

- What major impact and/or specific role did the nominee make in the field of environmental protection through educational activities, the development of a special program, involvement in the legislative process, or any special achievement during the calendar year of 2017 that enhances the protection of the environment and/or public health and safety?

SUMMARY STATEMENT: Summarize the purpose, objectives, and/or accomplishments of the program, organization, or individual being nominated. The statement should not exceed 100 words and should be suitable for use in a catalog, database, or brochure.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS: You may attach up to ten pages of supporting materials to your application. Such material may include graphic presentations, brochures, photographs, reports, newspaper articles, etc. Supporting materials may not be used as a substitute for the above written statement.

EXTERNAL ENDORSEMENTS: Include with your application two letters of recommendation for the program, individual, or organization being nominated. References must be knowledgeable and familiar with the nominee's accomplishments for which they are being nominated.

ELIGIBILITY: The competition is open to all Certified Program Agencies, Participating Agencies, state Unified Program Agencies, federal agencies, non-government organizations, industry/trade associations, academia and legislators. The awards will be presented for achievements either undertaken or completed in 2017. (**Please note:** Individual awards are not open to industry/trade associations or non-government organizations.)

SELECTION: A Selection Committee will evaluate all applications for accomplishments in five specific areas: (1) Specific contributions that enhanced environmental protection and/or public health and safety; (2) Outstanding leadership; (3) Enhancement of communication between Unified Program Agencies, industry, non-government organizations, and/or the community; (4) Innovation/uniqueness; and (5) Program results. The deliberation process of the Selection Committee is confidential. A nomination may be considered in a category different from that in which it is nominated.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS:

Winners will be announced with an invitation to the Opening Ceremony to receive the award the beginning of February 2019, but not to the nominees. An engraved plaque or similar type award will be presented to all winners on Tuesday February 26, 2019 at the 21st Annual California Unified Program Conference at the Opening Ceremony from 8:00-10am at the Anaheim Marriott 700 Convention Way.

WHERE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS

Provide all information requested.

Please apply at <https://calcupa.org/submit-nominations/index.html>

Preferred Category of Award Nomination:

- Outstanding Certified Unified Program Agency (organization; group of individuals; or individual)
- Outstanding Participating Agency (organization; group of individuals; or individual)
- Outstanding Federal/State Unified Program Agency (organization; group of individuals; or individual)
- Outstanding Industry/Trade Association (not open to individuals)
- Outstanding Non-Government Environmental/Community Organization (not open to individuals)
- Outstanding Academia
- Outstanding Legislator
- Outstanding Innovation or Project related to the Unified Program

WHERE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS: The original application and supporting materials must be submitted at <https://calcupa.org/submit-nominations/index.html>

**For Questions call or email Conference Manager Sheryl@calcupa.org 530-676-0815
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APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 31, 2018, 5:00 p.m.