



2019 AWARDS PROGRAM

Recognize, Reward, Replicate

Call for Nominations

Submit By Friday, March 29th



Honoring Excellence In Service To Our Seniors

The LeadingAge Florida Annual Awards Program honors the outstanding contributions of our member communities and their staff, volunteers, leadership, and residents on behalf of Florida's seniors.

We celebrate these individuals and organizations for providing initiatives, best practices, care, advocacy and service that exemplify our mission, "expanding possibilities for aging."

Nominations

Award Categories

- Advocate of the Year
- Caregiver/Employee of the Year
- Distinguished Service
- Excellence in Collaboration
- Executive of the Year
- Innovation Award (*formerly Best Practice*)
- Lifetime Achievement Award
- Resident/Volunteer of the Year
- Service Coordinator of the Year
- Trustee of the Year

Submit a Nomination

1. Review the eligibility criteria for each Award Category.
2. Complete a nomination form by visiting <https://www.LeadingAgeFlorida.org/page/56>
3. You will be asked to attach:
 - A one-page nomination letter in PDF format. Be sure to include the nominee's name, community name, and award category at the top of the page. Your letter should include an introduction of your nominee; reasons why the nominee is deserving of this award; and specific examples of how the nominee meets the award criteria described in the Award Program Brochure. Please be clear and concise, including measurable results where possible.
 - Up to 3 letters of support in PDF format and no more than 2 pages in length.
4. Members may submit as many nominations as they deem appropriate and may nominate themselves.

Nomination Process

Eligibility

A nominee must be a member of LeadingAge Florida through employment, residence, leadership, or service to a member community or organization.

Deadline

All nominations must be submitted using the online nomination form by Friday, March 29, 2019 at 5PM.

Selection/Notification

The Awards Selection Committee will review all nominations and select the winners. LeadingAge Florida will contact the person designated on the winner's nomination form.

Questions?

Please direct questions about the Awards Program to:

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Nomination Process

Feature Videos

LeadingAge Florida will produce feature videos of the award winners and will coordinate filming with the member communities and our video production company.

Feature videos will premiere at the LeadingAge Florida Annual Convention and Exposition and then be made available through the Association's social media and to the member organization.

Awards Ceremony

LeadingAge Florida will honor all award winners at the 56th Annual Convention and Exposition July 22-24, 2019, at the Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek in Orlando, FL.

Winners may bring two complimentary guests to the awards ceremony. All registration, travel and hotel arrangements must be made by the nominee or member community.

Award Categories

Advocate of the Year

Honors a member who champions public policy that advances the field of aging services.

The nominee must demonstrate:

- Deep understanding of the legal, public policy and regulatory environment;
- Outstanding ability to communicate with local, state and national policy makers and media about public policy issues that affect the nominee's community and fellow providers; and
- Leadership in crafting and promoting the Association's public policy priorities.

Caregiver/Employee of the Year

This award category is open to all LeadingAge Florida members.

The nominee must demonstrate:

- Extraordinary Dedication;
- Stellar Customer Service;
- Outstanding Performance; and
- Commitment to enhancing the quality of life for residents of a member community.

Award Categories

Distinguished Service

This is LeadingAge Florida's most prestigious award. It is presented to a member community or individual who has made an extraordinary contribution on behalf of elders at the state level.

Excellence in Collaboration

Honors a member community for outstanding achievement by a team within their campus, or through contributions to their broader communities.

The nominated community or team must demonstrate:

- Extraordinary achievement on a member campus or within the broader local community; and
- Exceptional collaboration/teamwork among staff and/or among local community leaders

Award Categories

Executive of the Year

Honors a CEO, executive director, administrator or manager of a member community.

The nominee must demonstrate:

- The highest qualities of leadership;
- Willingness to mentor others; and
- Innovation and significant contribution to the work of LeadingAge Florida.

Innovation Award *(formerly Best Practice)*

Honors an individual or group of individuals from a member community who have developed programs and services that are models of excellence, innovation, and best practices.

The nominee must demonstrate that these programs and services:

- Provide documented benefits to the residents, clients, or organization;
- Have the potential for replication in other communities; and
- Have been in operation for at least six months.

Award Categories

Lifetime Achievement Award

The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to an individual member with a body of work that has provided LeadingAge Florida and the state with significant and transformative leadership in aging services. The person selected for this award is a visionary leader and builder – someone who has made remarkable contributions to the field and has positively impacted and advanced the aging services field.

The nominee must demonstrate:

- Imaginative leadership and exceptional service to LeadingAge Florida;
- Accomplishment of significant goals in the field for 30 years or more; and
- Cumulative achievements that are notable and worthy of state recognition.

Award Categories

Resident or Volunteer of the Year

Honors a resident, resident organization, or non-resident who volunteers at a LeadingAge Florida member community.

The nominee must demonstrate work or service that:

- Enhances the quality of life for residents;
- Preserves dignity, well-being, and independence of residents; and
- Demonstrates the mission of the member community in a number of ways.

Service Coordinator of the Year

Honors a service coordinator who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to residents.

The nominee must demonstrate:

- Innovative programming and supportive services;
- Creative problem-solving; and
- Genuine concern for each resident's well-being.

Award Categories

Trustee of the Year

Honors a volunteer who has served with distinction on the board of a LeadingAge Florida member community and has demonstrated a significant contribution of time and effort for the betterment of the community and its residents.

The nominee must demonstrate a body of work that:

- Fosters public understanding of the community and supports positive change;
- Conveys information to consumers and policy makers about quality of care and life;
- Is noteworthy and merits recognition; and
- Shows breadth and scope of public impact and community benefit.



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