

MEMBER RECOGNITION

2027 Member Awards

Nomination frequently asked questions

NOMINATION DEADLINE

October 30, 2026

AWARDS GALA

May 18, 2027 · Lansing, MI

The Awards Committee and a LeadingAge Michigan liaison review nominations, select awardees, and seek Board approval. LeadingAge Michigan contacts nominators of both selected and unselected nominees.

If your nominee is selected: You will coordinate with the awardee and LeadingAge Michigan on filming or interviews, Gala information, photos, headshots, and other requested details.

Unselected nominees receive a Certificate of Merit by mail in late spring at the address provided.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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Do I have to work for a LeadingAge Michigan member to make a nomination?

No. Anyone may submit a nomination. The nominee must work or volunteer for a LeadingAge Michigan member; a nominated program must benefit a member.

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How many nominations can we submit per category?

One per location, please. Organizations with multiple sites may receive multiple awards in one category if nominees are from different locations. If a location submits more than one nomination in a category, the committee considers them all and awards up to one per location per category.

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We are a housing member. Can we apply?

Yes. Members in housing, home and community-based services, hospice, long-term care, and other settings, as well as business partners, are welcome to nominate candidates in all categories.

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What is the submission timeline?

October 30, 2026.

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What will stand out to the Review Committee?

Testimonials, concrete examples, and concise writing bring a nominee's story to life. Collect personal impact statements and include them in the story.

Preparing your nomination

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Where can I learn about past winners?

Explore the playlists on [LeadingAge Michigan - YouTube](#).

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What should go in the nominee's story?

Show what makes the nominee distinctive and give a sense of the individual, group, or program. Include testimonials, concrete examples, and quotes from people the nominee has impacted.

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Who is on the Review Committee?

The Member Awards Committee includes LeadingAge Michigan provider members and business partners. Retirees from member organizations may also participate.

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How should the nominee's story be formatted?

You may paste or write the story in SurveyMonkey, or upload a Word document:

Paste or write: Up to 2,000 characters. Formatting and photos are limited. The award-specific interview topics and questions can guide your response.

Upload: DOC or DOCX, no more than two pages and 16 MB. Text and photos may be included. Use the nomination packet's interview topics and questions, and include the nominee's name, title, and award category.

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Where do I submit a nomination?

Submit through the [SurveyMonkey nomination form](#). If you are experiencing issues with SurveyMonkey or have any questions regarding your submission, please contact Caitlin Gregory at Caitlin@leadingagemichigan.org.