

National Association of Social Workers

## NASW-NE Award Recipients

### Lifetime Achievement

1988	Betty Bange	2003	Mary Sullivan, ACSW	2015	Mary Bahney, LCSW
1989	Artice E. Miles	2004	Don Dendinger, MSW, PhD	2015	Jim Blue, LCSW
1990	Mona Phelps	2005	Gwen Weber, LCSW, PhD	2016	Patricia Carlson, MSW
1991	Florence Hansen	2006	Karen Authier, MSW	2017	Mary Bennett-Schulte, LCSW
1992	Dorothy Touchstone	2007	Nathalia Zimmerman, LCSW	2017	Allan Gonsher, MSW, RPT/S
1994	Burnell (Bernie) Pohlman	2008	John McClain, PhD	2018	Barbara Harris, MSW, PhD
1996	Tom Perkins, PhD, ACSW	2009	Sally Worthington Fine, ACSW	2018	Susan Feyen-Reay, LICSW
1998	Margaret Hugly, MSW	2010	Ann Coyne, PhD	2019	Rudi Mitchell, MSW, EdD
1999	George Tippin, MSW	2011	Herb Grandbois, PhD	2020	Amanda Duffy Randall, Ph.D
2000	John Krejci, MSW	2012	Mary Hepburn O'Shea, ACSW	2021	
2001	Sunny Andrews, PhD, MSW	2013	Sue Bace, LCSW	2022	
2002	Donna Tubach-Davis, MSW	2014	Alfredo Ramirez, LCSW	2023	

### Social Worker of the Year

1969	Chris Mueller	1996	Don Dendinger, PhD, ACSW	2010	Paul Maginn, MSW
1980	Karen Authier, MSW	1998	Marta Nieves, MSW	2011	Georgie Scurfield, MSW
1984	Gay Angel McTate, MSW	1999	Jan Potter, MSW	2012	Kierstin Reed, MSW, MPA
1985	Artice Miles	2000	Ann Coyne, PhD	2013	Peggy Reisher, MSW
1986	Nicki Haggert	2001	Alan Gonsher, LCSW	2014	Jane Woody, PhD, LCSW
1987	Ruth Rexin Henrichs, MSW	2002	Ruth Few, MSW, LCSW	2015	Janie Pfeifer Watson, LICSW
1988	Scot Adams, MSW, PhD	2003	Jamesena Moore, MSW	2016	Amanda Randall, PhD
1989	Sunny Andrews, PhD, MSW	2004	Jackie Egan, LCSW	2018	Madonna Licht, LICSW
1990	Don Weber, MSW	2005	Rhonda Humberger, BSW	2019	Dawn Darling, LICSW
1991	Penny Parker, CMSW	2006	Jennifer Hernandez, MSW	2020	Lisa Borchardt, MSW
1992	Jamesena Moore, MSW	2007	Pete Tulipana, MSW	2021	
1994	JoAnn Betts, MSW	2008	Susanne Blue, MSW	2022	
1995	Colleen Hughes, ACSW	2009	Maha Younes, PhD	2023	

### NASW-National Awards

2012 Lifetime Achievement - Ann Coyne, Ph.D., MSW

### CHAMPION FOR CHANGE AWARD

2002	Omaha World Herald, (Our Dead Children Series)	2005	Ed Leahy, Nebraska Appleseed
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## Social Worker of the Year Regional Awards

2008	Peg O'Dea Lippert, MSW	Eastern		2012	Susan Feyen, LICSW	Eastern
2008	Elaine Halferty, MSW	Northern		2012	Diane Johnson, ACSW, LMHP	Northern
2008	Deborah Stewart, MSW	Northern		2012	Keryl Mines, MSW	Southern
2008	Lawrence Obrist, MSW	Southern		2013	Sara Baker, MSW	Eastern
2009	Judy M. Dierkhising, PhD	Eastern		2013	Tracy Dierksen, MSW	Northern
2009	Theresa Hilton, LCSW	Northern		2013	Kiley Escamilla, MSW	Southern
2009	Janice Fitts, LCSW	Northern		2016	Peg O'Dea Lippert, MSW	Eastern
2009	Lisa Borchardt, LCSW	Southern		2016	Patricia Sattler, MSW	Southern
2011	Morgan Hecht, MSW	Eastern		2018	Nickie Slater, LICSW	Eastern
2011	Alfredo Ramirez, MSW	Northern		2020	Colleen Hughes, LICSW	Southern
2011	Sandra Cook-Fong, Ph.D	Northern				
2011	Jon Day, MSW	Southern				

## Public Citizen of the Year

1984	Irene Abernathy	1999	Senator Jenny Robak	2014	John & Judy Ahlschwede
1985	Mary Ruth Steffens	2002	Kris Chiles	2015	Suzanne Haney, M.D.
1986	Senator Pat Morehead	2003	Beatty Brasch	2015	Laila Khoudeida, BSW
1987	Governor Robert Kerrey	2004	Phil Schoo, PhD	2016	Brenda Council
1988	Senator Vard Johnson	2005	Kim Foundation	2016	Lisa Schulze
1989	Robert C. Rosenlof, M.D.	2008	Paul Fine, M.D.	2017	Rev. Stephen Griffith
1990	Senator Don Wesley	2009	Dean Settle, MA	2018	Sarah Ann Kotchian, J.D.
1991	Robert L. Armstrong	2010	Kristine McVea, M.D.	2019	Donna Wolff
1992	Mary Buford	2011	Kathy Bigsby Moore	2019	Andres Sandoval
1994	James Flannery	2011	William Packard, M.D.	2020	Preston Love Jr.
1995	Michael Moran, M.D.	2012	Kelly Orbik, MS		
1996	Susan Koenig-Cramer	2013	Bob and Betty Dorr		
1998	Anita Remerowski, M.D	2013	Honorable James E. Doyle IV		

## Elected Public Official

2007	Senator Gwen Howard, MSW	2014	Senator Danielle Conrad	2019	Senator John Stinner
2009	Senator Annette Dubas	2014	Senator Jenny Robak	2020	Senator Tony Vargas
2010	Senator Kathy Campbell	2016	Senator Heath Mello		
2012	Senator Tanya Cook	2017	Senator Kate Bolz, MSW		

## NASW 50 Year Membership Recognition

2009	Mary Hepburn-O'Shea	2015	Janice K. Potter, ACSW	2019	Ruth Few, LCSW
2009	Don Weber, MSW	2016	Jacqueline Anderegg, ACSW	2019	Jane Kinsey, ACSW, DCSW
2010	Freddie M. Holeyfield	2017	Lana Balka, ACSW	2019	Elvin Siebert, LISW
2011	Les Nummela, ACSW	2017	Donna Tubach-Davis, ACSW	2020	Carol Casteel, ACSW
2011	Helen L. Seward, ACSW	2017	Anthony Harris, ACSW	2020	Lawrence Obrist, ACSW
2011	Nathalia Zimmerman, ACSW	2017	Gwen Weber, PhD, ACSW		
2012	Milton Hofstad, ACSW	2018	Karen Authier, ACSW		