



# 2019 AWARDS

# Celebrating People, Parks & Programs

## AGENCY AWARDS

THE FOLLOWING FORMAT IS REQUIRED FOR ALL AGENCY AWARDS. READ AWARD DESCRIPTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

- No more than 10 pages, 1 inch margins, double spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font
- No more than 5 photos, 300 dpi or higher quality (exempt from 10 page text limit), tif or jpg files only (no pdf.); some or all photos will be used to represent your agency at the awards presentation.
- Please submit assuming that the committee does not know your agency.

### JUDGING CRITERIA AND POINT VALUES:

- Agency's Mission Statement | 5 pts.
- Address the specific characteristics as it pertains to the Award:
  - Summary of program or description of park | 10 pts.
  - How this program/project affected the community | 15 pts.
  - Challenges faced | 10 pts.
  - How the agency's mission and/or goals were met | 15 pts.
  - Public involvement and partnerships | 20 pts.
  - Uniqueness | 10 pts.
  - What is the resulting or projected long term success (economic impact, property values, reduction of crime, etc.) | 15 pts.
- Include a one page summary to be read at the awards presentation in the event that the agency should win. The awards committee reserves the right to edit the summary.

### PROGRAMMING EXCELLENCE AWARD

One award may be given to each of the two population categories: 30,000 and under, and over 30,000. An agency may submit for both Programming Excellence and Parks Excellence but is only eligible to win one of the categories. 2018 winners are eligible to apply again in 2020. This award pertains to any recreation program or special event the agency offers.

### PARKS EXCELLENCE AWARD

One award may be given to each of the two population categories: 30,000 and under, and over 30,000. An agency may submit for both Programming Excellence and Parks Excellence but is only eligible to win one of the categories. 2018 winners are eligible to apply again in 2020. This award pertains to a new, renovated, or revitalized park.



### QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

Let us help! Contact Awards and Citations Committee Chairman Eric Davis at [edavis@dorchestercountysc.gov](mailto:edavis@dorchestercountysc.gov) 843-563-0193 or Vice Chairman Kristie Oliver at [koliver@spartanburgcounty.org](mailto:koliver@spartanburgcounty.org) 864-804-5504.





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### COMMUNITY CHAMPION

This award recognizes citizens, volunteers, local government officials or organizations outside of the profession that have supported parks and recreation on a community, state or national level. Each district is eligible to receive two Community Champion awards; one for an individual and one for an organization. Winners may be recognized at the Awards Luncheon and/or in their local community. Submissions guidelines are the same as for individual awards.



### PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

This nominee has been in a parks and recreation profession at least fifteen years and a member of SCRPA for at least five years. They must be currently certified through NRPA as either CPRE (Certified Park and Recreation Executive), CPRP (Certified Park and Recreation Professional) or hold a current, standard certification or licensure in their specific field of expertise, which is applicable to their current position.

### YOUNG PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

This nominee has been in a parks and recreation profession at least three years but no longer than fifteen years. They must be currently certified through NRPA as either CPRE (Certified Park and Recreation Executive), CPRP (Certified Park and Recreation Professional) or hold a current, standard certification or licensure in their specific field of expertise, which is applicable to their current position.

### ROBERT L. REID HALL OF FAME

This award recognizes lifetime achievement in the parks and recreation community. It may be awarded to a professional or citizen and can be awarded posthumously. It is recommended that the individual have at least twenty years of overall commitment to the parks and recreation community.

#### WANT HELP COMPILING A COMPETITIVE APPLICATION?

Visit the SCRPA Awards page at [www.scrpa.org](http://www.scrpa.org) for resources and tools such as summaries of previous award winners, video from winning communities, and even contact information for award application mentors!

# INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WILL APPLY TO ALL INDIVIDUAL AWARDS. READ AWARD DESCRIPTION FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- No more than 5 pages, 1 inch margins, double spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font
- 3 - 5 photos, 300 dpi or higher (exempt from 5 page text limit), tif or jpg files only; no pdf. some or all photos may be used for the awards presentation
- Please submit assuming that the committee does not know the individual
- Address the specific characteristics below as they pertain to the nominee:
  - Service: Must have rendered outstanding service and/or accomplishments to the parks and recreation community
  - Leadership: Must have filled a leadership role in their organization/community
  - Character: Must be of outstanding moral character and professional status
- Include an additional one page summary to be read at the awards presentation in the event that the nominee should win; however, the awards committee reserves the right to edit the summary.

## SUBMISSION INFORMATION AND DEADLINE

Submissions are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday June 28<sup>th</sup>  
to [melissa@scrpa.org](mailto:melissa@scrpa.org).