Strategic Partner Award
The Strategic Partner Award recognizes a professional organization that has partnered to promote WEPAN’s mission and work during the previous three years. It is given for outstanding leadership in promoting diversity in engineering and driving positive institutional change.

Industry Trailblazer Award
The Industry Trailblazer Award recognizes and honors an employer, individual or group of employees in industry for enhancing and inspiring the career success of women in STEM.

Inclusive Culture and Equity Award
The Inclusive Culture and Equity Award recognizes and honors individuals for leadership in developing and implementing programs that promote positive change to the climate and culture for women in engineering.

2017 Recipients:
DiOnetta Jones Crayton, MIT
Joyce Yen, University of Washington

Leader in Engineering Education Award
The Leader in Engineering Education Award honors individuals who have created new approaches that enhance engineering education to engage and create inclusive environments for students.

2017 Recipient:
Leon R. Grant III, Marietta City Schools Engineering Pipeline

Advocates and Allies Award
The Advocates and Allies Award recognizes and honors an individual for leadership in implementing programs that advocate, mentor, and support the success of women in engineering.

2017 Recipient:
Klod Kokini, Purdue University

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2017 Recipient:
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2017 Recipient:
National Academy of Engineering

Betty Vetter Award for Research
The Betty Vetter Award for Research honors a researcher who has made a significant contribution to understanding issues related to women in engineering. The award is named in memory of Betty M. Vetter, Director of the Commission on Professionals in Science and Technology, a founding WEPAN board member.

2017 Recipient:
Julie P. Martin, Clemson University
Women in Engineering Initiative Award
The Women in Engineering Initiative Award recognizes an outstanding project or initiative that serves as a model for other institutions

2017 Recipients:
- Cornell University - Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering Graduate Women’s Group
- University of Calgary - Cybermentor Program

WEPAN/DiscoverE Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day Award
WEPAN and the DiscoverE Foundation work together to recognize organizations and individuals for empowering girls with information about opportunities in engineering through the “Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day” initiative.

2017 Recipient:
- Kennedy Space Center, NASA

WEPAN Founders Award
The Founders Award honors a WEPAN member for enduring, long-term service that epitomizes the spirit of the WEPAN Founders -- Suzanne G. Brainard, Jane Zimmer Daniels and Susan Staffin Metz -- and contributes to the continued advancement of the organization.

2017 Recipient:
- Stephanie G. Adams, Dean, Batten College of Engineering & Technology, Old Dominion University

Bevlee A. Watford Inclusive Excellence Award
The Bevlee A. Watford Inclusive Excellence Award honors individuals or groups who actively and creatively support the success of women of color in engineering. It is being presented in recognition of extraordinary ongoing commitment to advancing the success of women and students of color in engineering.

2017 Recipient:
- Christine Grant, North Carolina State University

President’s Award
Given at the discretion of the WEPAN President, this award recognizes individuals or groups who have made significant contributions to WEPAN’s goals and objectives.

2017 Recipients:
- North Dakota State University’s Advance FORWARD Advocates and Allies

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