2020 NARC Achievement and Leadership Awards!

The National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) is accepting nominations for the 2020 NARC Achievement and Leadership Awards. Awards will be presented at a special awards dinner on June 9, 2020 during the 54th Annual NARC Conference and Exhibition in Detroit, Michigan. View conference information here.

NARC Achievement Awards

Achievement awards are presented each year to recognize excellence in programs and services of regional councils and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) across the country.

NARC Leadership Awards

Leadership awards are presented to up to three regional leaders in the following categories:

- **The Walter Scheiber Leadership Award** recognizes significant impacts an executive director has made at the local, state, and national levels.

- **The Tom Bradley Leadership Award** recognizes the leadership and excellence of an elected or appointed official in advocating for regional concepts, approaches, and programs at any level of government.

- **The NARC President's Award** recognizes the leadership and excellence of any person or organization in advocating for regional concepts, approaches, and programs at any level of the regional community.

Award Application Requirements

The awards application form is found on the last page of this packet. Entries must be received by May 1, 2020 at 5:00 pm ET.

Applications must include the following information:

- A brief narrative outlining the reasons the nominated individual or program is deserving of the award. The narrative should address the selection criteria outlined below and should be no more than two pages long.

- A professional resume for all individual nominees.

- The name, phone number, and email of a contact person for each submission.

- Indication of whether the nominee will attend the Annual Conference Awards Dinner. (Nominees are strongly encouraged to attend.)
Achievement Awards: Eligibility and Criteria

The Achievement Awards recognize excellence in programs and services of regional councils and MPOs. Panelists will consider the following criteria:

Eligibility: Nominees must be a member or group of members in good standing with NARC. State associations of regional councils or MPOs may apply as the nominee assuming the association is a member of NARC and/or all of the regional councils or MPOs of that state association are members of NARC.

Criteria:
- Significance of the program/project in promoting and exemplifying regional cooperation and coordination.
- Significance of the program/project in promoting and exemplifying regional excellence.
- Innovation in concept or approach.
- Impact of program/project on region.
- Involvement of private and civic sectors.
- Originality, duplicability, and quality of the program/project.

Leadership Awards: Eligibility and Criteria

The Walter Scheiber Leadership Award recognizes the significant impacts an executive director has made at the local, state, and national levels. Candidates must demonstrate professional and executive management excellence in carrying-out regional concepts, approaches, and programs.

Eligibility: NARC member executive director with a minimum of ten (10) years of service in a top management position (with a minimum of five years served at executive director level). Nominations must be made by a NARC member executive director or elected or appointed official. This award is not intended as recognition for executive directors who are retiring.

Criteria:
- Stature among peers and fellow regional council or MPO professionals.
- Quality of service to the member regional council or MPO.
- Contribution to a state association.
- Contribution to regional efforts at the local, state, and/or national levels.
- Participation in, and contribution to, the causes of NARC.
Leadership Awards: Eligibility and Criteria Continued

The **Tom Bradley Leadership Award** recognizes the leadership excellence an elected or appointed official has shown in advocating regional concepts, approaches, and programs.

**Eligibility:** NARC member elected or appointed official who is nominated by a NARC member executive director or elected or appointed official. This award is not intended as recognition for elected or appointed officials who are retiring.

**Criteria:**
- Stature in public service.
- Quality of service to the member regional council or MPO.
- Contribution to regional efforts at the local, state, and/or national levels.
- Participation in, and contribution to, the causes of NARC.

The **NARC President’s Award** recognizes leadership and excellence in advocating regional concepts, approaches, and programs at any level of the regional community.

**Eligibility:** NARC member elected or appointed official, executive director, and staff; Congressional member; or corporate or association partner (at the NARC President’s discretion). This award may be used as recognition for elected or appointed officials or executive directors who are retiring.

**Criteria:**
- Contributions to the region and community.
- The extent to which nominee’s time and dedication has provided benefit to the regional community.
- Quality and uniqueness of one or more services to members.
- Contribution to regional efforts at the local, state, and national level.
- Participation in, and contribution to, the causes of NARC.
NARC Annual Awards: Nomination Form

Entries must be received by May 1, 2020 at 5:00 pm ET.

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Award Category

□ Achievement Award □ President’s Award
□ Walter Scheiber Award □ Tom Bradley Award

Certifying Statement

The information contained in this submission is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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Please return this form and materials as required to:

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