

Award Selection Guidelines North Central Texas Regional School (NCTRS)

NCTRS Water Utility Professional of the Year/Outstanding Professional

This awardee should be an individual who has served a North Central Texas Region water utility for at least ten (10) years. They should be active in his/her local district, provided support for TWUA, local and regional area operator education efforts and made other significant and outstanding contributions to the water utilities profession. The recipient's service should be voluntary or (if part of their regular duties) should be far above that which would normally be expected of them.

Outstanding New Professional

Presented to one who has served the water utilities industry, TWUA and NCTRS and who has been employed in the industry for no more than five (5) years. The recipient should have demonstrated a sincere interest in protection of the public health and our environment, as well as in helping others to do so by supporting this organization and its devotion to those goals.

Meritorious Service

The Meritorious Service Award should be granted to an individual who has consistently given service to the Water Utilities Profession over a period of many years in paid and volunteer service. Participation in and service to the local district as well as NCTRS should be particularly considered. Life membership is usually granted in conjunction with the Meritorious Service Award.

Exemplary Service Awards (More than one Exemplary Service Award may be given)

Educator and Training

This awardee should have done an outstanding and consistent job in training water utility operators at NCTRS and the local level for at least five (5) years. He/she should be a certified instructor for water, wastewater, lab or customer service. Preference should be given to volunteers as opposed to instructors paid for service.

Public Education

For those who serve the need for improved public awareness of the importance of water and the issues involved in the water utilities industry. Recipients must have performed acts of service such as giving talks or demonstrations, conducting tours, utilization of the news media or other methods involving the public by the industry or the local utility.

Association Leadership

Recognizes individuals who have shown exceptional leadership skills in the District, Region, Section or Chapters. An individual so honored must have performed acts which resulted in the organization in which he/she served being more effective in fulfilling the Association's mission.

Community Service

This Award is intended to acknowledge one who has been instrumental in bringing about a significant improvement in the protection of the public health or the water related environment in the community in which he/she serves.

Heroism

This award is offered to recognize an individual who has performed an exceptionally humanitarian act, whether on the job or in their private life. A recipient must have demonstrated endurance, civic concern, bravery, courage, nobility, or other traits normally associated with heroism, but not have shown a total disrespect for their own life and safety.

Safety Program Award

Safety Program Award is offered to recognize a water utility, or a particular department, division or portion of a water utility that has an exceptional safety program, or which demonstrates significant improvement in its safety program for its employees over prior years. The recipient may be a municipality, special district, Water Supply Corporation, privately owned utility or any other privately or publicly owned entity which provides water or wastewater service to the citizens of Texas. While the utility itself need not be a member of the Texas Water Utilities Association, those utilities with members of its workforce as active members of the Association will be given preference. Involvement in TWUA sponsored safety activities (such as utilization of Association published safety articles, Technical Assistance Publications, Manuals etc.) in the utility's Safety Program will be given extra consideration by the Awards Committee in their selection of the recipient

Outstanding Organization

Outstanding Organization Award will honor a utility organization for its success and support of utility professional development, leadership, and community involvement. The recipient may be a municipality, special district, Water Supply Corporation, privately owned utility or any other privately or publicly owned entity which provides water or wastewater service or support to the citizens of Texas

***Please mail Nominations Form to the address below (include your contact information), or email the Nomination Form to the email address listed below.**

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