

Call for Nominations 2009 Joint Awards Program

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Joseph W. Tovar, FAICP, President of the Washington Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA Washington), and Lisa Parks, AICP, President of the Planning Association of Washington (PAW), are pleased to announce the 2009 Awards Program.

For the 23rd year, the associations will jointly honor outstanding contributions to the field of planning in Washington. The program is designed to bring public attention and deserved recognition to public and private sector planning efforts, as well as student projects in university planning programs.

AWARD PROGRAM GOALS:

- Recognize exemplary planning efforts in the State of Washington. (Projects must be located within the state.)
- Promote superior quality planning at all levels of government and by the private sector.
- Increase public awareness of the role of APA Washington and PAW in planning in the state.

CATEGORIES:

- Students
- Implementation
- Physical Plans
- Transportation Plans
- Citizen Involvement
- Rural/Small Town Planning
- Emerging Technologies
- Sustainability

Applications must be postmarked or delivered by **July 27, 2009**.

Awards will be presented at the 2009 APA Washington Fall Conference in Vancouver, WA on November 12–13.

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2009 award winners will have their projects/
plans featured by PAW in *The Western Planner Journal*,
(www.westernplanner.org) and by APA Washington in *The
Washington Planner*, (www.washington-apa.org).
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Categories

Submittals should be made to one category only. Listing of a secondary, or alternate, category will be permitted. Determination of the most appropriate category will be made by the review committee.

Students – Any project completed as part of an undergraduate or graduate program, including team efforts.

Implementation – Site selection, constructed projects, project delivery or evaluation, zoning ordinances design standards or guidelines, capital improvement programs, shoreline management projects, special plans, and GMA successes.

Physical Plans – Master plans, site plans, urban design, comprehensive plans, downtown improvement plans, revitalization plans, natural resource plans, etc.

Transportation Plans – Transportation planning, corridor studies, transit planning, non-motorized plans, pedestrian plans, energy efficiency plans, and transportation demand management.

Citizen Involvement – Community outreach, participation or education efforts related to planning programs or constructed projects, relationship and acceptance of community stakeholders.

Rural/Small Town Planning – A broad category that includes planning efforts underway across rural areas of Washington State, such as rural elements, subarea plans, limited areas of more intensive rural development (LAMIRDS).

Emerging Technologies – Demonstration of research and application of advanced use of innovative technologies, such as GIS, web-based tools, permit review & tracking systems, etc.

Sustainability – Creating and/or implementing plans, initiatives, programs, and projects related to sustainability and climate change.

Review Criteria

The nominated plan or project demonstrates:

- Outstanding application of planning principles.
- Implementation of community values.
- Contribution to specific planning technologies.
- Furtherance of GMA.
- Suitability of the solution to the problem or context.
- Innovative and/or creative solution or project, and demonstration of applicability to other projects.
- Difficulty of the problem or issue addressed, overcoming project obstacles.
- With the exception of student projects, all submittals must contribute to the advancement of planning in Washington.
- Regional projects or plans that extend beyond Washington State may be eligible but must have a substantial nexus to planning in Washington State.

Submission Requirements

■ The following shall apply to all submittals:

1. Submittals shall be made as an electronic PDF file submitted on a CD or thumb drive. Your submittal will be judged solely on the electronic submittal.
2. In addition, one original paper copy of the submittal, 3-hole punched and enclosed in a single 3-ring binder shall be submitted for display at the Chapter Conference.
3. Submittals shall be a maximum of 10 single-sided 8½" x 11" pages, minimum 10 point font size. The page count does not include a submittal cover, table of contents, up to 5 letters of endorsement and up to 5 graphics (which may be up to 11" x 17" in size).
4. Submittals shall include the following:

■ A letter of nomination or endorsement which must include:

- Name, address, e-mail address and fax number of nominator and contact person (if different).
- List of nominee(s) and category(ies) of submission.
- Summary of the scope of the plan or project project, time period of its preparation, and key participants (50 word max).
- Explanation of why the nomination is unique, significant, or a successful contribution to planning. Identification of the role the nominee and others played in the project (300 words max).
- Description of how and to what extent the plan or project has been successfully implemented and the extent of private or public involvement (400 words max).

■ A project description, maximum 300 words.

■ A description of how your submittal demonstrates compliance with the review criteria.

■ Up to 5 letters of endorsement from supporters and elected officials are encouraged.

■ Name of firm, agency, or individual recipients to be listed on the award certificates. These must be placed in a sealed envelope attached to the binder and clearly labeled.

■ Check for the appropriate application fee payable to APA Washington. (Payment must be made in check form and is non-refundable).

Fees *(per application)*

Student	\$10.00
APA Washington or PAW members.....	\$75.00
Non-members	\$100.00

Procedure

Applications must be postmarked or delivered by **July 27, 2009**.
Nominations should be mailed to:

APA/PAW Awards Committee
603 Stewart St., Suite 610
Seattle, WA 98101-1275
(206) 682-7436

Winning submittals will be retained for archival purposes. If you wish your submittal to be returned, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope large enough to contain the submittal.

Each applicant will be notified of the selection committee's decisions by **September 14, 2009**.

Questions – *Contact*

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