



## 2020 ASC Innovation & Leadership Awards Nomination Form

### Introduction

America's Service Commissions (ASC) invites ASC members to nominate an outstanding individual or program for the 2020 ASC Innovation & Leadership Awards. Award nominees are individuals and programs who demonstrate commitment to national service and volunteering at the state level. *You must be a current member of ASC to submit a nomination; ineligible nominations will be disqualified. To become a member of ASC, visit our website and sign up online: <https://www.statecommissions.org/membership>.*

Not sure who to nominate? Look around and you will see great co-workers, commissioners, colleagues, and programs in your office, community and state.

**Nomination categories include:**

- Outstanding Commissioner
- Outstanding Commission Staff Member
- Outstanding Commission Executive Director
- Outstanding Service Program
- Outstanding Service Program Staff Member

Previous nominees/finalists can be nominated for consideration. To see a list of past winners visit: <http://www.statecommissions.org/annual-reception-awards>

Incomplete nominations will not be considered. The review committee reserves the right to not issue an award in every category.

ASC will pay tribute to the winners at our Annual Reception in the Washington, D.C. area during the evening of September 16, 2020. Winners will be notified in advance of their selection in August in the hopes they can make arrangements to receive the award in person.

Completed nomination forms are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, May 15, 2020. To submit multiple nominations, please complete the survey multiple times.

Please contact Emily Steinberg at [esteinberg@statecommissions.org](mailto:esteinberg@statecommissions.org) if you have any questions or difficulty completing the nomination form.

\* 1. Please confirm you are a current ASC member to proceed:

Yes, I am a current ASC member (at the individual or organizational level).

No, I am not a current ASC member.

\* 2. Please confirm if your nominee could be available to accept the award in person the evening of Wednesday, September 16, 2020 in the Washington, DC area, if selected?

Yes, the nominee will be able to accept the award in person on September 16.

Maybe, I believe the nominee will likely be able to accept the award in person on September 16.

No, the nominee would not be able to accept the award in person on September 16.

### Nominator Information

\* 3. This nomination form was completed by:

<b>Name:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Organization:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Title:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Address:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>City/Town:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>State/Territory:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>ZIP:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Phone Number:</b>	<input type="text"/>

\* 4. Who are you nominating?

<b>Name (if an individual):</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Organization:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Title (if applicable):</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Address:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>City/Town:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>State/Territory:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>ZIP:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Phone Number:</b>	<input type="text"/>

5. Please select the award category you are nominating for:

- Outstanding Commissioner
- Outstanding Commission Staff Member
- Outstanding Commission Executive Director
- Outstanding Service Program
- Outstanding Service Program Staff Member

### Outstanding Commissioner of the Year

**In your national service involvement, you have most likely encountered an individual who has taken his or her service as a commissioner to the highest level. This award honors a commissioner who has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to the mission of the state service commission he/she serves. Individuals nominated in this category have gone above and beyond the expectations of their role and have been instrumental in shaping policy and direction. Nominees must be either a current commissioner or a commissioner whose term ended within the past year.**

- \* 6. Please provide brief, current biographical information about the Nominee, including background and length of service roles.

- \* 7. Describe key work this person has performed on a regional and/or national level related to the work of the state service commission and/or how the nominee has lifted up the role of national service and volunteering in your state.

- \* 8. Describe examples of how this individual has been a champion for the mission of the state service commission.

- \* 9. Please provide quantitative data by citing the number of policies proposed and implemented as a result of the Nominee's direction, the number of initiatives spearheaded or implemented, committees chaired, funds raised, partnerships developed, etc., that shows what the Nominee's service has accomplished.

\* 10. Please provide qualitative information such as good stories, quotes from people affected, and other demonstrations of leadership that cannot be easily measured. If the nominee assisted in any way with COVID-19 relief efforts in 2020, please include details here.

### Outstanding Commission Staff Member of the Year

**When it comes to solving community problems, individuals really make things happen. This award is reserved for an individual state service commission staff member who demonstrates leadership and implements innovative strategies to get things done. Individuals nominated for this award provide consistent service to programs and collaborate to realize success. Any commission staff member is eligible to be nominated for this award, with the exception of commission executive directors.**

\* 11. Please provide brief, current biographical information about the Nominee.

\* 12. Describe examples of how the Nominee has collaborated with peers at the state service commission and external partners.

\* 13. Describe examples of innovative strategies the Nominee has employed at the state service commission.

\* 14. Describe examples of the Nominee's leadership at the state service commission.

\* 15. Please provide qualitative information such as good stories, quotes from people served, and other action that cannot be easily measured. If the nominee assisted in any way with COVID-19 relief efforts in 2020, please include details here.

### Outstanding Executive Director of the Year

**This award is reserved for an individual state service commission executive director who demonstrates leadership and implements innovative strategies to get things done. Individuals nominated for this award provide consistent service to programs and collaborate to realize success.**

\* 16. Please provide brief, current biographical information about the Nominee, including background and length of service roles.

\* 17. Describe examples of how the Nominee has collaborated with peers at the state service commission and external partners.

\* 18. Describe examples of innovative strategies the Nominee has employed at the state service commission.

\* 19. Describe examples of the Nominee's leadership at the state service commission.

\* 20. Please provide qualitative information such as good stories, quotes from people served, and other action that cannot be easily measured. If the nominee assisted in any way with COVID-19 relief efforts in 2020, please include details here.



### Outstanding Service Program Award

**Service programs commit themselves to making a difference in the communities they serve. These include programs and collaborations such as AmeriCorps State/National, AmeriCorps VISTA, Senior Corps (including Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents, and RSVP), Mentoring programs, Volunteer Generation Fund programs/sites, Volunteer Centers, and others using service as a core strategy to solve their communities' most pressing needs. The nominee in this category performs meaningful service, achieves outcomes, and has a strong record of compliance. They demonstrate a lasting impact on the members, community or state through innovative strategies.**

\* 21. Please provide a brief overview of the nominated organization/program.

\* 22. Describe the service the Nominee performs to address a compelling community need.

\* 23. Describe examples of unique or exceptional partnerships, cross-national service partnerships and/or connections the Nominee has initiated.

\* 24. Please provide quantitative data by citing number of people served, etc., that shows what the Nominee accomplished and the role national service members played.

\* 25. Please provide qualitative information such as good stories, quotes from people served, and other demonstrations of the Nominee's service that cannot be easily measured. If the nominee assisted in any way with COVID-19 relief efforts in 2020, please include details here.

### Outstanding Service Program Staff Member of the Year

**Those of us working in the field of national and the community service know that operating a service program is no small feat. It takes a tremendous amount of time, effort, patience, perseverance, managerial skill, long-term vision, and a willingness to engage in continuous learning and improvement to keep programs operating successfully and compliantly year after year. This award category is reserved for an individual service program staff member who has demonstrated consistent leadership and dedication to get things done through service. Individuals nominated for this award must be employed by a service program such as an AmeriCorps State/National, AmeriCorps VISTA, Senior Corps (Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents, or RSVP), Mentoring, or Volunteer Generation Fund program, Volunteer Center, or a similar program model using service as a core strategy to solve community needs.**

\* 26. Please provide brief, current biographical information about the Nominee.

\* 27. Describe examples of how the Nominee has demonstrated outstanding dedication to the service program through an investment of time, effort, patience, perseverance, and managerial skill.

\* 28. Describe examples of innovative strategies the Nominee has employed at the service program.

\* 29. Describe examples of the Nominee's leadership and willingness to engage in continuous learning and improvement to keep the service program operating successfully and compliantly year after year.

\* 30. Please provide qualitative information such as good stories, quotes from people served, and other action that cannot be easily measured. If the nominee assisted in any way with COVID-19 relief efforts in 2020, please include details here.



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### Submit Your Nomination Below

**We appreciate you taking the time to nominate an individual and/or program for the 2020 ASC Innovation & Leadership Awards! Please click on the 'Submit' button below to finish submitting your nomination.**

**Winners will be notified in advance of their selection in August in the hopes they can make arrangements to receive the award in person at our reception on the evening of September 16, 2020 in the Washington, DC area.**

**We will contact you if we have any questions regarding your nomination or need additional information. If you have questions regarding the awards or nomination process, please contact Emily Steinberg at [esteinberg@statecommissions.org](mailto:esteinberg@statecommissions.org) or (512) 961-1702.**