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## **Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) Lifetime Achievement Award Policy**

**Policy:** ASTSWMO, will recognize an outstanding individual who has worked in State or Territorial (State) government in the areas of waste and materials management, environmentally sustainable practices, and environmental restoration. The purpose of the award is two-fold: to recognize an outstanding individual for effort and service to the States and ASTSWMO, and advancement of our programs; and to promote the overall efforts of all State employees dedicated to the protection of public health, safety and the environment and the improvement of social-economic conditions related to waste management and contaminated site clean-ups.

**Criteria:** The following criteria will be considered when selecting the annual recipient in comparison to all the nominees:

- Nominated member or staff of the Association must be retired.
- Leadership service:
  - Executive Committee Officer
  - Regional Board Representative
  - Subcommittee Chair
  - Task Force/Focus Group Chair
  - Other leadership responsibility assigned by the Board of Directors
- Participant Service – served as an active member of a Task Force/Focus Group.
- Length of service in position of participation and/or leadership.
- High profile assignments, e.g. Congressional Testimony.
- Efforts to promote more State participation in the Association.
- Relationship and record with working productively with EPA or other federal agencies to promote strong State approaches and effective partnership with the federal government.
- Relationship and record with other media groups, e.g. NGA, ECOS, NACAA, ACWA, ASDWA, ITRC, etc.
- Relationship and record with working with and assisting other States.

**Nomination and Selection Process:** The criteria will be distributed to every State Voting member and nominations would be solicited from all Association members.

- The **written and detailed** nominations must be returned to the Executive Director who will consolidate the list and provide it to the ASTSWMO Board of Directors. Include examples of leadership.
  - EXAMPLE: He was the Task Force Chair of Task Force A from 2012 – 2015;
    - If possible, include what they accomplished during their tenure.
  - EXAMPLE: She was the Region 8 Board Representative for three years and was also the Association President in 2010.
    - If possible, include what they accomplished during their tenure.
- Include a written summary of the nominee’s achievements; years of service with ASTSWMO; significant achievements; and other information that supports the nomination.
  - EXAMPLE: This member was instrumental in developing the pilot program for Program A in our State. Since its development, 20 other States have developed similar programs.
  - EXAMPLE: This member has been active in the Association for 20 years. He started on Focus Group A as the Region 9 representative for three years. He then was appointed the Chair of the Focus Group and was also a member of the Subcommittee.
  - EXAMPLE: During her 25 years of involvement with ASTSWMO, she actively recruited the following members to join the Association. Five of these members are now Vice-Chairs or Chairs of the following Task Forces/Focus Groups.
- Nominations may be submitted jointly by more than one person.

At the summer meeting, the ASTSWMO Board will review the nominations. If a recipient is selected, they would be honored at the fall ASTSWMO Annual Meeting.

**Nominations must be submitted to Dania Rodriguez, ASTSWMO Executive Director via email ([daniar@astswmo.org](mailto:daniar@astswmo.org)) by June 25, 2021.**