

# 2019 Gold Medal Awards Program Application - Includes SP

## Essay Questions

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1. What makes your agency “Outstanding”? Please cite 3 specific examples that capture the outstanding nature of your agency as you serve your unique community. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 180)

2. Tell us your story about how your agency positively impacts the community you serve. Share with us 5 actions or activities your agency has been involved with or undertaken in the past three years. Each example provided will be worth up to 2 points, for a total of 10 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 200)

3. There are few resources more critical than public support, citizen involvement, and staff engagement. Please identify one outstanding or innovative example for each of these three characteristics. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 210)

4. Public entities have been increasingly called upon to demonstrate the results of their services and practices to decision-makers and the general public. Please share with us 3 results, impacts, or outcomes you have measured and brief background about the benefit and how the results were secured. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 210)

5. Park and recreation agencies have long been known for creativity and innovation. One of the desirable outcomes of the Gold Medal program is to identify these valuable efforts and approaches. Please identify and briefly explain 3 innovations implemented by your agency within the last 3 years. Each example provided will be worth up to 3 points, for a total of 9 possible points. (Total Maximum Word Count: 240)

6. In what ways has your agency addressed the NRPA Pillar of Social Equity in the last 3 years? (3 points) (Total Maximum Word Count: 120)

7. In what ways has your agency addressed the NRPA Pillar of Health and Wellness in the last 3 years? (3 points)(Total Maximum Word Count: 120)

8. In what ways has your agency addressed the NRPA Pillar of Conservation in the last 3 years? (3 points) (Total Maximum Word Count: 120)

9. What challenges has your community and/or agency experienced over the past 3 years and what steps or actions have you taken to resolve these challenges? Include agency role with the challenge, types of actions/steps taken, and effectiveness of approach. (3 points) (Total Maximum Word Count 210)

10. Please upload a three page Executive Summary of your most current Comprehensive, Long Range or Strategic Plan for the agency. Within this overview, it is suggested that the agency include: major goals of the plan; current progress towards reaching those goals; and future plans to complete the plan.

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## 11. Contact Information \*

Application Point of  
Contact Name

Point of Contact  
Email

Point of Contact  
Phone

Department/Agency  
Name

Department  
Street  
Address

Department  
City

Department  
State

Department  
Zip Code

## 12. Agency Information

Name of Director

Director Email

Website Address

Program Brochure Website Link

Master Plan Website Link

Is your website controlled by the agency or your jurisdiction?

Agency controlled

Control of jurisdiction

13. Select the appropriate population category for the jurisdiction served by your agency

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Class I<br>(400,001<br>and over) | Class II<br>(150,001 -<br>400,000) | Class III<br>(75,001 -<br>150,000) | Class IV<br>(30,001 -<br>75,000) | Class V<br>(30,000 or<br>less) | State Park<br>System  |
| <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>              | <input type="radio"/>              | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/>          | <input type="radio"/> |

14. **Although not required for participation**, does your agency currently hold or is it currently going through Commission on Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) accreditation?

Yes

No

## Statistics

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## 15. Jurisdiction Information:

Note: Much of the following information is helpful in determining which agencies would be most similar for benchmarking purposes. These figures provide agencies with important demographic characteristics of the jurisdictions served by the various agencies. Most of the information can be found on the Census Bureau's website at:

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts>

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
What is the square mileage that your incorporated jurisdiction serves (estimate if necessary)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Jurisdiction population (estimate if necessary)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Jurisdiction Median Household Income (from Census data or estimates)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Percentage of jurisdiction population that is younger than 18 years of age	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Percentage of jurisdiction population that is older than 65 years of age	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Jurisdiction population growth rate from 2010-2017 (from Census data or estimates)

## Jurisdiction Ethnic Distribution (will not necessarily total to 100%)

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
White/Caucasian Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Black/African American Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
American Indian/Alaska Native Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Asian Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Hispanic or Latino (any race) Origin Persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text" value="Enter another option"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Budget and Funding Summary

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### 16. Budget and Funding Summary

What were your department's TOTAL operating expenditures for FY2013 and FY2017?

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
Operating Expenditures	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

17. What percentage of your total operating expenditures in **FY2014** came from the following sources (total must add to 100%)

Jurisdiction general fund

Agency fees and charges

Tax levy

School district taxes

Foundation grants

Sponsorship (please describe below)

Endowment (please describe below)

Special use taxes (please describe below)

State grants

Federal grants

Other (please describe below)

Other (please describe below)

Other (please describe below)

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0 out of 100% Total

Comments

What percentage of your total operating expenditures in **FY2018** came from the following sources (total must add to 100%)

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Other (please describe below)

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Other (please describe below)

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0 out of 100% Total

Comments

18. What were your department's TOTAL non-tax revenues (Earned Revenue) for FY2014 and FY2018?

FY2014 Actual

FY2018 Actual

Non-Tax Revenue:

19. What was your department's total capital budget in FY2014 and FY2018?

FY2014 Actual

FY2018 Actual

Total capital budget:

20. What percentage of your **FY2014** capital construction and acquisition budget came from the following sources? (total must add to 100%)

Local government general fund (tax supported)

Local government dedicated fund (non-general funds)

General obligation bonds

Revenue bonds

State grants/funding

Federal grants/funding

Private grants/funding

Gifts and Sponsorships

Other (please describe below)

Other (please describe below)

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0 out of 100% Total

Comments

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0 out of 100% Total

Comments

**(untitled)**

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## 21. Statistical Indicator Summary

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
Total number of acres:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the total acreage your department/agency maintains and/or has management responsibility over, what percentage is developed for parks and recreation purposes?	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the undeveloped land for which your department has management responsibility over or maintains, how many acres of land are: Designated Open Space Acres	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the undeveloped land for which your department has management responsibility over or maintains, how many acres of land are: Conservation Lands - Manage Habitat	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Of the undeveloped land for which your department has management responsibility over or maintains, how many acres of land are: Preservation Land Acres (no management)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
How many full-time (full-benefit/year-round) positions are in your parks and recreation budget?	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
How many non-full-time employee positions are in your parks and recreation department budget? (Seasonal employees, part-time employees, contract employees, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Total number of annual hours worked by volunteers:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### Facilities

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22. Please indicate the number of areas and facilities currently owned, leased or in cooperative agreements by your agency.

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
Recreation/community center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Fitness center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Playground	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tot Lots	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tennis court (indoor)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Tennis court (outdoor)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Swimming pool (indoor) - Competition pools	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Swimming pool (indoor) - Non-Competition pools	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Swimming pool (outdoor) - Competition pools	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Swimming pool (outdoor) - Non-Competition pools	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Senior center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Ice skating rink (indoor) - number of separate sheets of ice	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Ice skating rink (outdoor) - number of ice rinks or free skating area	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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23. Please indicate the number of areas and facilities currently owned, leased or in cooperative agreements by your agency.

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
Rectangular fields: Football only:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Rectangular fields: Soccer/Lacrosse/Field Hockey (Regulation size)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Rectangular fields: Soccer/Lacrosse/Field Hockey (Small-sided)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Baseball w/ 90ft base path fields	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Base with 50-70 ft base paths fields with mound	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Softball - with no mound - youth	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Diamond fields: Softball- with no mound - adult	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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24. Please indicate the number of areas and facilities currently owned, leased or in cooperative agreements by your agency.

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
Campgrounds: Campsites	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Campgrounds: RV sites	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Campgrounds: Campstores	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Campgrounds: Number of Camper Nights during operating year	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Marina/Livery: Boat ramp(s)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Marina/Livery: Boat/canoe rentals	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Marina/Livery: Slips	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Marina/Livery: Fuel Station	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Gyms	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**Facilities**

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25. Please indicate the number of areas and facilities currently owned, leased or in cooperative agreements by your agency.

	FY2014 Actual	FY2018 Actual
Golf course - Total number of non-Championship holes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Gold course - Total number of Championship holes	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Driving range	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Dog park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Conference Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Mountain Biking Trails - miles of trails	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Nature/Interpretive Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Water Trails - miles of trails	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Performing and/or Visual Arts/Community Center	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Community Gardens	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text" value="Enter another option"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>