

2019 Innovation in Social Equity Award

Introduction

2019 Innovation in Social Equity Award

The Innovation in Social Equity Award recognizes a park and recreation agency leading an innovative project or program that improves access to the benefits of local parks and recreation experience for everyone in the community, including racial/ethnic minorities, LGBTQ community, New Americans, individuals with physical/cognitive disabilities, older adults, among others.

The submission deadline is March 29, 2019

Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a current member of NRPA (Membership can be as an agency member, the agency director, or program director)
- The agency:
 - Exhibits leadership in best practices for social equity
 - Demonstrates success in achieving social equity in their communities
 - Develops and implements successful innovative practices in creating more equitable communities
 - Demonstrates a commitment to encourage, welcome, and support all people through parks and recreation
- All programs or projects submitted with this application must have been implemented within 12 months prior to the applications deadline.

Required Materials:

- Completed application form
- Testimonial from a community member (non-staff) about impact of project/program.

Optional Materials:

- One additional supplemental item which highlights the effects and achievements of the project/program.

Submission Instructions:

- All submissions must be received by NRPA no later than 11:59 p.m. EST on March 29, 2019. NRPA will not return any materials submitted with the application.
- The official NRPA application form must be used in submissions.
- All materials must be submitted electronically using this survey format.
- Submit no more than one supplemental item. (If submitting a link, please provide URL address, not a hyperlink, to ensure connectivity.)
- Submission is automatically disqualified if it does not meet criteria, submission instructions, or if the responses are over the word limit.
- This format has a save and continue feature that is located in the banner at the bottom of the question pages.

For more information, contact the NRPA Awards Program at (703) 858-2196 or awards@nrpa.org.

Contact Information

Project or Program Title: *

Agency Name: *

Point of Contact:

First Name *

Last Name *

Job Title *

Email Address *

Street Address (No P.O. Boxes, Please) *

Street Address (2nd line)

City *

State *

Zip *

NRPA Member Number

Agency Director's Contact: *

Director's Name *

Director's Email Address *

Director's Phone Number *

Essay Questions

1. Please describe the project and its main goals. Specify how the project/program broadens access to the benefits of local parks and recreation to all member the community. (including underrepresented populations- racial/ethnic minorities, LGBTQ community, New Americans, individuals with physical/cognitive disabilities, older adults, and others) (max. 300 words)

*

2. Please describe how your agency led this project/program. (max. 250 words)

*

3. Please describe the project/program's innovative approach to improving the accessibility of parks and recreation in your community. Note whether the project used novel techniques, used more traditional techniques in a new way, and/or targeted an underrepresented segment of the population. (max. 250 words)

*

4. Please describe how your agency engaged underrepresented members of the community (racial/ethnic minorities, LGBTQ community, New Americans, individuals with physical/cognitive disabilities, older adults, and others) during the planning and implementation process. (max. 250 words)

*

5. How did your agency collaborate with local partners during the planning and implementation of the project/program? Please be specific how these parties shared innovative ideas during the planning and implementation of this project/program. (max. 250 words)

*

6. Did the project/program achieve its goal to broadening access to parks and recreation in your community? Please describe the outcomes that were achieved, including specific impacts on underrepresented populations. (max.

250 words)

*

7. What steps has your agency taken to ensure the sustainability of the project/program? (max. 250 words)

*

Testimonials

Please provide a testimonial from an individual (non-staff member) in your community who has been effected by your project or program. What impacts have they seen or felt from the project/program? (500 word maximum) *

Browse...

Supplemental Materials

Optional: Please share **one** additional supplemental item that highlights the effects and achievements of the project/program that were not completely reflected in the answers above. (500KB max. per document)

Browse...

Thank You!

Thank you for submitting for the NRPA Innovation in Social Equity Award. You or the nominee will receive confirmation of the submission via email. Awardee notifications will be made in the summer of 2019 and honored at the 2019 Awards Ceremony in Baltimore, MD during the NRPA Annual Conference.