2027 URPA Awards

Top 10 Things to know about the URPA Award Program

1 NEW AWARD!

Outstanding Adaptive or Inclusive Special Event
Celebrate exceptional events that promote inclusion and accessiblity.

2 NEW AWARD!

Outstanding Park, Trail or Open Space
Recognize outstanding new developments or major renovations focused on Parks, Trails or Open Space.

3 choose the right CATEGORY

Make sure your nomination fits the award category and meets its criteria. You can find the criteria for each award at urpa.org.

4 ONE nomination per category

Focus on showcasing your most outstanding achievement rather than submitting multiple nominations that may compete against one another.

5 TELL your own STORY

ChatGPT is a great tool, but don't let AI write your entire nomination. Authenticity matters! And you don't want to sound like everyone else.

6 watch your character COUNT

Character limits include letters, spaces, punctuation, symbols and numbers. Award submissions have character limits of 1,000-2,000 characters depending on the award.

7 a short vidoe makes an IMPACT

An optional, approximately one-minute highlight video is a great way to showcase your nomination to the Awards Selection Committee.

8 send your BEST photo

Submit one outstanding, high-quality photo for inclusion in the URPA Awards Book. Nice collages work great!



9 CONFIRMATION is key!

Check your inbox and spam/junk folder after submitting the Award Nomination Form. **No confirmation email means we haven't recieved your nomination!**

10 don't wait until the LAST MINUTE

Give yourself time to prepare, review and submit a nomination that truly shines! Award nominations close on January 8, 2027.

have QUESTIONS?

If you have questions please reach out to URPA Staff or the Past President

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