LOUISIANA GFOA PELICAN ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Recognizing individuals and programs representing a significant contribution to government finance



Louisiana Government Finance Officers Association



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PURPOSE

This annual award is intended to recognize individuals and programs in Louisiana that represent a significant contribution to government finance.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Individual Award:

This award recognizes outstanding contributions and innovations in government finance by an individual, as well as practical and documented work by an individual that offers leadership to the profession and promotes improved public finance.

Program Award:

This award recognizes projects or programs that are original and represent a significant contribution to the field such that other governments would benefit by implementing the program or process.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant/nominee for either award must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of Louisiana.
- Applicant/nominee must be employed in government finance in a public jurisdiction of the United States, Louisiana government, or local government.
- Applicant/nominee must be a past or present member of GFOA. For the program award, the entity must be a current member during the period of consideration.

CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUAL AWARD

- Local significance: Extensive involvement in furthering the role of the finance officer in applicant's own organization and promoting the goals of GFOA
- Contributions to government finance: Significant accomplishments in applicant's role as finance officer, including significant efforts, projects, reports, policies and procedures, automated systems, or technology
- Leadership: Extensive involvement or leadership in state or national GFOA or CGFO certification program
- Public service: Significant efforts related to state or local legislative matters affecting public finance

CRITERIA FOR PROGRAM AWARD

- Local significance and value: Solves a fundamental problem, averts a crisis, significantly saves money, or affects the general public
- Technical significance: Advances the state of the art in public finance; reflects technical research and would benefit others if copied
- Transferability: Can be readily copied or applied elsewhere and is documented in such a way that others will be able to take advantage of the program
- Documentation: Clearly and simply documented; technical and new concepts clearly explained.
- Cost/benefit: Tangible economic benefits; yields multiple results for investment
- Simplicity and efficiency: Simplifies a pressing organizational problem and allows lesser-skilled employees to perform an important task
- Originality and innovation: Represents creative thinking that will advance public finance and inspire others to improve their practices

APPLICATION PROCESS

All entries must be made on the appropriate Official Entry Form (individual or program) and sent to Louisiana GFOA, Pelican Achievement Award Committee, P.O. Box 1029, Gonzales, LA 70707–1029, in an envelope postmarked no later than July 31 of the year the application is made. The award will be announced at GFOA's Annual Fall Conference during the awards ceremony.

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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM Louisiana GFOA Pelican Achievement Award Individual Category

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT. Additional Pages may be attached as needed, as well as letters of recommendation (optional).

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EM	PLOYER:	TITLE:						
AD	DRESS:							
CITY: STATE: ZIP:		TELEPHONE: ()						
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PLEASE PROVIDE SIMPLE AND DIRECT ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION.								
1. What are the nominees' total years of service in government finance? Include position titles, and names of government entities?								
2.	2. In what way has the nominee furthered the role of the finance officer in his/her organization during the period of consideration? How has he/she promoted the goals of GFOA?							
3.	What significant accomplishments has the nominee achieve that contributes significantly to government finance? List reports, policies, and procedures, automated systems, tec	significant efforts involving projects,						

4. What has been the extent of the nominee's involvement or leadership in GFOA or the CGFO certification program?									
5. What has been the extent of the nominee's involvement in state, or local legislative matters or other activities affecting public finance?									
6. OPTIONAL: Highlight any other noteworthy features about the nominee.									
7. Check the word(s) corresponding to any attached documentation.									
Forms	Manual	Articles	Report	Newsletter	Letters of Recommendation	Other			
8. Nomina	tor informatio	n – Please pro	vide name, ad	dress, phone n	umber, and other in	formation.			
Would you like GFOA to inform the candidate of the nomination - (Yes or No)?									
MAIL ENTRY FORM AND ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION BY JULY 31 TO:									
Louisiana Government Finance Officers Association LA GFOA Pelican Achievement Award Committee P.O. Box 1029 Gonzales, LA 70707-1029									
Questions: Contact Billie Tripp, LA GFOA Coordinator, at 225-644-0619 or email cctripp@eatel.net									



OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM Louisiana GFOA Pelican Achievement Award <u>Program Category</u>

(optional). Additional pages may be attached as needed, as well as letters of recommendation
NAME OF PROGRAM OR EVENT NOMINATED
ORGANIZATION/AGENCY
NAME & TITLE OF CONTACT PERSON
ADDRESS
CITY STATE ZIP TELEPHONE ()
PLEASE PROVIDE SIMPLE AND DIRECT ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION.
1. BACKGROUND. Provide a general description of the program, project, or event being nominated.
LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE. Describe the local problem or circumstance that led to the development of this project or program.
3. LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE. Who participated and how much time did each participant devote to this program or project? Were outside consultants involved?
4. TECHNICAL SIGNIFICANCE. What financial concepts, standards or techniques are displayed or advanced by this entry? Why is this important to the profession at large?
5. TRANSFERABILITY. How can this project or program be adapted for use by other organizations? Who else might benefit by its adoption? Would significant modifications be required for implementation?



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6	6.	DOCUMENTATION. What documentation describes the entry? Attach relevant documents, forms, memoranda, reports, etc.	
	7.	COST/BENEFIT. Quantify the total resources (money and time) devoted to this project or program and identify the value added as a result of the undertaking.	
	8.	SIMPLICITY/EFFICIENCY. Describe the complexity of the problem. How much training and technical skill is required of employees to make use of the program or project?	
	9.	ORIGINALITY. Is this the first time the project or program has been developed, documented, or implemented? If not, identify previous work in this area and explain why this program or project is different.	
	10.	OPTIONAL. Use the space below to highlight any other noteworthy features of this project or program.	
	11.	Check the word(s) corresponding to any attached documentation. FormsManualArticlesReportNewsletterLetters of RecommendationOtherNo Documentation Submitted	
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