

Date: 14 May 2015

To: LAFCo Commissioners and Staff
CALAFCO Members
Other Interested Organizations

From: CALAFCO Achievement Awards Committee



Subject: 2015 CALAFCO Achievement Award Nominations

Each year, CALAFCO recognizes outstanding achievements by dedicated and committed individuals and/or organizations from throughout the state at the Annual Conference Achievement Awards Ceremony.

Recognizing individual and organizational achievements is an important responsibility. It provides visible recognition and support to those who go above and beyond in their work to advance the principles and goals of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act. We invite you to use this opportunity to nominate the individuals and organizations you feel deserve this important recognition.

To make a nomination, please use the following procedure:

1. Nominations may be made by an individual, a LAFCo, a CALAFCO Associate Member, or any other organization. There is no limit to the number of nominations.
2. Please use a separate form (attached) for each nomination. Nominations must be submitted with a completed nomination form. The form is your opportunity to summarize the most important points of your nomination.
3. All nomination materials must be submitted at one time and must be received by the deadline. Electronic submittals are encouraged.
4. All supporting information (e.g. reports, news articles, etc.) must be submitted with the nomination. Endorsement letters from third parties are optional. Please limit supporting documentation to a file no larger than 5 mg. If necessary, a CD or thumb drive will be accepted for supporting documentation exceeding 5 mg. Should you submit a CD or thumb drive for consideration, you will need to provide 10 copies.
5. **Nominations and supporting materials must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, July 20, 2015.** Send nominations via e-mail, or U.S. mail to:

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Stanislaus LAFCo
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Modesto, CA 95354
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Please contact Marjorie with any questions at (209) 525-7660. A list of the previous Achievement Award recipients is attached to this announcement.



Nomination Form

NOMINEE

Person or Agency Being Nominated:

Name:

Organization:

Address:

Phone/E-mail:

NOMINATION CATEGORY (check one – see category detail on attached sheet)

- Outstanding CALAFCO Member
- Distinguished Service Award
- Most Effective Commission
- Outstanding Commissioner
- Outstanding LAFCo Professional
- Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
- Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member
- Project of the Year
- Government Leadership Award
- Legislator of the Year (must be selected by the full CALAFCO Board)
- Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award
- Lifetime Achievement Award

NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:



2015 Achievement Award Nominations

ACHIEVEMENTS

Please indicate the reasons why this person or agency deserves to be recognized (Use additional sheets as needed):



2015 Achievement Award Nominations

CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CATEGORIES

CALAFCO recognizes excellence within the LAFCo community and the full membership by presenting the *Achievement Awards* at the CALAFCO Annual Conference. Nominations are being accepted until *Monday, July 20, 2015*, in the following categories:

Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Recognizes a CALAFCO Board Member or staff person who has provided exemplary service during the past year.
Distinguished Service Award	Given to a member of the LAFCo community to recognize long-term service by an individual.
Most Effective Commission	Presented to an individual Commission to recognize innovation, streamlining, and/or initiative in implementing LAFCo programs; may also be presented to multiple Commissions for joint efforts.
Outstanding Commissioner	Presented to an individual Commissioner for extraordinary service to his or her Commission.
Outstanding LAFCo Professional	Recognizes an Executive Officer, Staff Analyst, or Legal Counsel for exemplary service during the past year.
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk	Presented to a LAFCo Clerk for service above and beyond the call of duty.
Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member	Presented to an active CALAFCO Associate Member (person or agency) that has advanced or promoted the cause of LAFCos by consistently producing distinguished work that upholds the mission and goals of LAFCos, and has helped elevate the roles and mission of LAFCos through its work. Recipient consistently demonstrates a collaborative approach to LAFCo stakeholder engagement.
Project of the Year	Recognition for a project-specific program that involved complex staff analysis, community involvement, or an outstanding solution.
Government Leadership Award	Presented to a decision-making body at the city, county, special district, regional or state level which has furthered good government efforts in California.
Legislator of the Year	Presented to a member of the California State Senate or Assembly in recognition of leadership and valued contributions in support of LAFCo goals. Selected by CALAFCO Board.
Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award	Presented to an individual who has taken extraordinary steps to improve and innovate local government. This award is named for Mike Gotch: former Assembly Member, LAFCo Executive Officer and CALAFCO Executive Director responsible for much of the foundations of LAFCo law and CALAFCO. He is remembered as a source of great inspiration for staff and legislators from throughout the state.
Lifetime Achievement Award	Recognizes any individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the LAFCO community in terms of longevity of service, exemplary advocacy of LAFCO-related legislation, proven leadership in approaching a particular issue or issues, and/or demonstrated support in innovative and creative ways of the goals of LAFCOs throughout California. At a minimum, the individual should be involved in the LAFCO community for at least ten years.

CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS**2014**

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in
Local Government Leadership Award

David Church, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Most Effective Commission

Santa Clara LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Stephen Lucas, Butte LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner

Paul Norsell, Nevada LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Paige Hensley, Yuba LAFCo

Project of the Year

LAFCo Procedures Guide: 50th Year Special Edition,
San Diego LAFCo

Government Leadership Award

**Orange County Water District, City of Anaheim, Irvine
Ranch Water District, and Yorba Linda Water District**

Legislators of the Year Award

Assembly member Katcho Achadjian

Lifetime Achievement Award

Susan Wilson, Orange LAFCo

2013

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in
Local Government Leadership Award

Simón Salinas, Commissioner, Monterey LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

Roseanne Chamberlain, Amador LAFCo

Most Effective Commission

Stanislaus LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Harry Ehrlich, San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner

Jerry Gladbach, Los Angeles LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Lou Ann Texeira, Contra Costa

LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Kate Sibley, Contra Costa LAFCo

Project of the Year

Plan for Agricultural Preservation, Stanislaus LAFCo

Government Leadership Award

Orange County LAFCo Community Islands Taskforce,
Orange LAFCo

Legislators of the Year Award

Senators Bill Emmerson and Richard Roth

Lifetime Achievement Award

H. Peter Faye, Yolo LAFCo; **Henry Pellissier**, Los Angeles
LAFCo; **Carl Leverenz**, Butte LAFCo; **Susan Vicklund-Wilson**,
Santa Clara LAFCo.

2012

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in
Local Government Leadership Award

Bill Chiat, CALAFCO Executive Director

Distinguished Service Award

Marty McClelland, Commissioner, Humboldt LAFCo

Most Effective Commission

Sonoma LAFCo

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Stephen A. Souza, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo and
CALAFCO Board of Directors

Outstanding Commissioner

Sherwood Darington, Monterey

LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Carole Cooper, Sonoma LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Gwenna MacDonald, Lassen LAFCo

Project of the Year

Countywide Service Review & SOI Update, Santa Clara
LAFCo



2015 Achievement Award Nominations

Government Leadership Award
Lifetime Achievement Award

North Orange County Coalition of Cities, Orange LAFCo
P. Scott Browne, Legal Counsel LAFCos

2011

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in
Local Government Leadership Award
Distinguished Service Award
LAFCo Most Effective Commission
Outstanding CALAFCO Member
Outstanding Commissioner
Outstanding LAFCo Professional
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
Project of the Year

Martin Tuttle, Deputy Director for Planning, Caltrans
Mike McKeever, Executive Director, SACOG
Carl Leverenz, Commissioner and Chair, Butte
San Bernardino LAFCo
Keene Simonds, Executive Officer, Napa LAFCo
Louis R. Calcagno, Monterey LAFCo
June Savala, Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCo
Debbie Shubert, Ventura LAFCo
Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Definitions Revision
Bob Braitman, Scott Browne, Clark Alsop, Carole Cooper,
and George Spiliotis

Government Leadership Award

Contra Costa Sanitary District
**Elsinore Water District and Elsinore Valley Municipal Water
District**

2010

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in
Local Government Leadership Award
Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission
Outstanding CALAFCO Member
Outstanding Commissioner
Outstanding LAFCo Professional
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
Project of the Year

Helen Thompson, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo

Kathleen Rollings-McDonald, Executive Officer, San
Bernardino LAFCo
Bob Braitman, Executive Officer, Santa Barbara LAFCo
Tulare LAFCo
Roger Anderson, Ph.D., CALAFCO Chair, Santa Cruz LAFCo
George Lange, Ventura LAFCo
Harry Ehrlich, Government Consultant, San Diego LAFCo
Candie Fleming, Fresno LAFCo

Government Leadership Award

Butte LAFCo
Sewer Commission - Oroville Region Municipal Service
Review
**Nipomo Community Services District and the County of San
Luis Obispo**

Special Achievement

Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo and CALAFCO Board of
Directors

2009

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in
Local Government Leadership Award
Distinguished Service Award
Most Effective Commission
Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner
Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Paul Hood, Executive Officer, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

William Zumwalt, Executive Officer, Kings LAFCo
Napa LAFCo
Susan Vicklund Wilson, CALAFCO Vice Chair
Jerry Gladbach, CALAFCO Treasurer
Larry M. Fortune, Fresno LAFCo
Pat McCormick, Santa Cruz LAFCo Executive Officer



2015 Achievement Award Nominations

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
Project of the Year
Government Leadership Award

Emmanuel Abello, Santa Clara LAFCo
Orange LAFCo Boundary Report
Cities of Amador City, Jackson, Ione, Plymouth & Sutter Creek; Amador County; Amador Water Agency; Pine Grove CSD – Countywide MSR Project
Assembly Member Jim Silva

Legislator of the Year Award

2008

Distinguished Service Award

Peter M. Detwiler, Senate Local Government Committee
Chief Consultant

Most Effective Commission

Yuba LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner

Dennis Hansberger, San Bernardino LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Michael Ott, San Diego LAFCo Executive Officer

Martha Poyatos, San Mateo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Wilda Turner, Los Angeles LAFCo

Project of the Year

Kings LAFCo

City and Community District MSR and SOI Update

Government Leadership Award

San Bernardino Board of Supervisors

Legislator of the Year Award

Assembly Member Anna M. Caballero

2007

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Kathy Long, Board Chair, Ventura LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

William D. Smith, San Diego Legal

Counsel Most Effective Commission

Santa Clara LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner

Gayle Uilkema, Contra Costa LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Debby Chamberlin, San Bernardino LAFCo

Project of the Year

San Bernardino LAFCo and City of Fontana
Islands Annexation Program

Government Leadership Award

City of Fontana - Islands Annexation Program

Lifetime Achievement

John T. "Jack" Knox

2006

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Everett Millais, CALAFCO Executive Officer and Executive
Officer of Ventura LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

Clark Alsop, CALAFCO Legal Counsel

Most Effective Commission Award

Alameda LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Ted Grandsen, Ventura LAFCo

Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Larry Calemine, Los Angeles LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Janice Bryson, San Diego LAFCo

Marilyn Flemmer, Sacramento LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

Sacramento Municipal Utility District Sphere of Influence
Amendment and Annexation; **Sacramento LAFCo**

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Cities of Porterville, Tulare, and Visalia and Tulare LAFCo
Island Annexation Program



2015 Achievement Award Nominations

Legislator of the Year Award

Senator Christine Kehoe

2005

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Peter Herzog, CALAFCO Board, Orange LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

Elizabeth Castro Kemper, Yolo LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award

Ventura LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Art Aseltine, Yuba LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Henri Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Bruce Baracco, San Joaquin LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

San Diego LAFCo

MSR of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)

2004

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Scott Harvey, CALAFCO Executive Director

Distinguished Service Award

Julie Howard, Shasta LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award

San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Edith Johnsen, Monterey LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

David Kindig, Santa Cruz LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Nipomo CSD SOI Update, MSR, and EIR

2003

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Michael P. Ryan, CALAFCO Board Member

Distinguished Service Award

Henri F. Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo

Most Effective Commission Award

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding Commissioner Award

Bob Salazar, El Dorado LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Shirley Anderson, San Diego LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Lori Fleck, Siskiyou LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

Napa LAFCo

Comprehensive Water Service Study

Special Achievement Award

James M. Roddy

2002

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Ken Lee, CALAFCo Legislative Committee Chair

Most Effective Commission Award

San Diego LAFCo Outstanding

Commissioner Award

Ed Snively, Imperial LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award

Paul Hood, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo

Project of the Year Award

San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Napa LAFCo, Napa County Farm Bureau, Napa Valley Vintners Association, Napa Valley Housing Authority, Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office, Napa County Counsel Office, and Assembly Member Patricia Wiggins



2015 Achievement Award Nominations

2001

Outstanding CALAFCO Member	SR Jones , CALAFCO Executive Officer
Distinguished Service Award	David Martin , Tax Area Services Section, State Board of Equalization
Outstanding Commissioner Award	H. Peter Faye , Yolo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Ingrid Hansen , San Diego LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	Santa Barbara LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Livermore City Council, Pleasanton City Council
Legislator of the Year Award	Senator Jack O'Connell

2000

Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Ron Wootton , CALAFCO Board Chair
Distinguished Service Award	Ben Williams , Commission on Local Governance for the 21st Century
Most Effective Commission Award	Yolo LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner	Rich Gordon , San Mateo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Annamaria Perrella , Contra Costa LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Susan Stahmann , El Dorado LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	San Diego LAFCo
Legislator of the Year Award	Robert Hertzberg , Assembly Member

1999

Distinguished Service Award	Marilyn Ann Flemmer-Rodgers , Sacramento LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	Don Graff , Alameda LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Dory Adams , Marin LAFCo
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Assembly Member John Longville
Legislator of the Year Award	Assembly Member Robert Hertzberg

1998

Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Dana Smith , Orange LAFCo
Distinguished Service Award	Marvin Panter , Fresno LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	George Spiliotis , Riverside LAFCo
Outstanding Staff Analysis	Joe Convery , San Diego LAFCo Joyce Crosthwaite , Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Santa Clara County Planning Department

1997

Most Effective Commission Award	Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	George Finney, Tulare LAFCo
Outstanding Staff Analysis	Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	South County Issues Discussion Group
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem	Alameda LAFCo and Contra Costa LAFCo
Legislator of the Year Award	Assembly Member Tom Torlakson

Please join us for the CALAFCO Annual Conference
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Sacramento, California

