



Distinguished Service to Public Works Award

Purpose To promote and enhance the purposes of APWA. This award is regarded as the highest honor that APWA can bestow. Established in 1935 as the Honorary Membership Award, this honor is intended to indicate to the greatest possible extent APWA's esteem, respect and regard.

Eligibility APWA membership is required. Candidates must be persons who would reflect prestige and honor upon APWA. This award may be presented in recognition of acknowledged service and well-established preeminence in the field of public works, and/or contributions of special merit and benefit to APWA. Board members and past presidents of APWA must be out of office at least five years before being eligible for this award.

Selection The Awards Committee reviews the nominations and selects the award winner.

Nomination Process Proposal may be made by:

- Chapter resolution;
- Petition of any 15 active members of APWA; or
- Any one or more members of the APWA Board of Directors.

Original submittal should include nomination form and documentation supporting the purpose of the award and the award's eligibility requirements. Six copies of submittal are required and should be sent to APWA National. Materials submitted in support of nomination will not be returned.

Deadline March 1, 2010

Presentation The winner(s) is presented with a plaque at the Awards Recognition Ceremony during the APWA International Public Works Congress & Exposition and featured in APWA publications.

Former Recipients (Effective in 2008, the Honorary Membership Award was changed to the Distinguished Service to Public Works Award.) For a complete list of Honorary Membership Award recipients, [click here](#).

- 2009** James W. Harrod, Public Works Consultant, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2008** Ric Robertshaw, P.Eng., Director, Wastewater Division, Region of Peel, Brampton, Ontario
- 2005** Robert H. Miller, P.E., Director of Public Works (Retired), Village of Schaumburg, IL
- 2003** Senator Ted Stevens, AK, United States Senate
- 2002** Norman Mineta, U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Washington, DC
- 1999** Senator Spencer Abraham, MI, United States Senate
Congressman Bud Shuster, PA, United States House of Representatives