

NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR NAHRO 2019 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

NAHRO offers a variety of awards and recognition to persons who have made outstanding contributions to the H&CD industry. We invite you to submit nominations for the [2019 Individual Awards](#) to recognize excellence, innovations, and achievements in our industry.

Nominations are due for all awards by **August 15, 2019**. Below is a list of the awards, the history and qualifications for each.

[The M. Justin Herman Memorial Award](#)

Purpose: NAHRO's highest and most prestigious award given to honor an exceptionally qualified person who has made outstanding contributions to improve a community's quality of life through service in the HCD industry. The award is made on the basis of extraordinary accomplishments and contributions.

History: The award was established in 1975 in the name of M. Justin Herman to provide a living acknowledgment for the standard of excellence he established in the field of housing and community development and the contributions he made to the beauty and vigor of San Francisco.

Qualifications: Each nominee must have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the nation's effort to provide "a decent home and a suitable living environment for every American family."

[The John D. Lange International Award](#)

Purpose: To further the work of the [NAHRO International Research and Global Exchange Committee](#) by recognizing a person in the housing and community development field who has made an outstanding contribution toward international understanding and exchange of international experience.

History: The award was established in 1983 in the name of John D. Lange, Executive Director of NAHRO from 1951 to 1970, who actively participated throughout his professional career in international exchange and, in his retirement, carried out executive service assignments in Argentina, Indonesia, and the Philippines.

Qualifications: Each nominee must have a direct affiliation with the housing and community development field and must have made an outstanding contribution to international understanding in HCD industry.

[The Elizabeth B. Wells Memorial Award](#)

Purpose: To honor a current commissioner, or one who has served within the past 12 months, who has demonstrated excellence in advocating for and developing the financial, political, and community support necessary to ensure the continuation and expansion of HCD programs.

History: The award was established in 1987 in the name of Elizabeth B. Wells to provide a living acknowledgment of the outstanding contributions she made to the housing field as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the King County (WA) Housing Authority and as NAHRO's first Vice President of the Commissioners Committee.

Qualifications: Each nominee must be an individual or associate member of national NAHRO, have contributed in the areas of community leadership, advocacy, and public relations as well as to the activities of NAHRO. Nominees cannot be employed by the Housing Authority and serve as Commissioner simultaneously.

[The Emerging Leaders Award](#)

The Emerging Leaders are a self-identified, diverse group of professionals who are interested in advancing in the HCD industry. Emerging Leaders gain knowledge and integrate themselves into the industry through mentors, trainings, and conferences. An Emerging Leader demonstrates leadership and is willing to contribute and share knowledge/ideas with others.

Purpose: The Emerging Leader Award recognizes an individual who has distinguished him/herself as an Emerging Leader.

Qualifications: Must have been involved in NAHRO at the national, regional and/or chapter levels for at least five years and must have distinguished him/herself as an Emerging Leader.

Please note: Nominees do not need to be a member of the Emerging Leaders Subcommittee. Nominations must be submitted by someone other than the nominee. Award winners can only receive the award once.

[Business Partners Council Partnership Award](#)

This award recognizes both a vendor partner and a housing agency or community development agency whose partnership exemplifies a joint effort that creates positive change. Current Business Partners Council (BPC) members and PHAs or associations that administer affordable housing programs will be eligible. Each entry must be limited to one specific partnership example. BPC members may also enter new products and services that have not yet been implemented, but that would meet the above criteria with the support of the HA for which the product/service is being designed. BPC members may also enter products, services, and philanthropic activities (e.g., scholarships or volunteer projects) that benefit multiple PHAs or their local communities.

For more information and/or an application form, visit:
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