

Awards available to Purdue Extension Community Development Program

Prior to applying for an award, ensure that you have an active membership within the association of award interest.

NACDEP (typically due in February/early March)

1. NACDEP Diversity Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Team
- c. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member or group of members who have developed an outstanding effort or program that ensures meaningful diversity and inclusiveness.

For the purpose of these awards, diversity is defined as acknowledging, understanding, appreciating, valuing and celebrating differences among people relative to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, disability, public assistance status, veteran status, sexual orientation, etc. (List is not all-inclusive and is not limited to those that are mentioned.)

2. NACDEP Educational Technology Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Team
- c. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member or group of members for the use of technology in delivering or managing educational programs, in expanding the use of technology in community development work, and/or the use of educational technology to promote logical, problem-solving techniques.

3. NACDEP Excellence in Community Development Work Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Team
- c. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member or group of members for outstanding programs in any aspect of community development work or for program accomplishments relative to scholarly and creative activities, teaching and/or research effectiveness, and to show evidence or collaboration with others who help meet community development needs.

4. NACDEP Cross-Program Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Team
- c. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member or group of members for excellence in Extension work that combines or integrates Community Resources and Economic Development (CRED) activities with work in other program areas.

5. NACDEP Excellence in Teamwork Award

- a. Team
- b. Objective: To recognize outstanding Extension programming or projects conducted by a team that involves a NACDEP member or group of members that demonstrates effective performance and significant results (impact) at the community, region, state, or multi-state level.

6. NACDEP Educational Materials Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Team
- c. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member or group of members who have who have developed outstanding materials that educate through credible, accurate, concise information.

7. NACDEP Innovation and Creativity Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Team
- c. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member or group of members who have developed an outstanding effort or program that integrates innovation and creativity in Community Development program design or implementation that shows demonstrated effectiveness.

For the purpose of these awards, innovation is understood as a method or practice that creatively addresses a community or implementation issue in a novel manner that demonstrates improvement in program results.

8. NACDEP Distinguished National Service Award

- a. Individual
- b. Objective: To recognize a NACDEP member who is actively involved in service to NACDEP and contributed significantly to the organization for three (3) years as of January 1, 2018.

9. NACDEP Distinguished Career Awards

- a. Individual
- b. Objective: To recognize NACDEP members who are actively engaged in Extension community development programs and who have served more than seven years (7) as of January 1, 2017 in Extension community development programming.

CDS (typically due in late March)

1. Duane L. Gibson Distinguished Service Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member in recognition of superior and long-standing service to the field of community development, and, in particular, work for the advancement of the Society. Board members and officers are ineligible for this award. Self-nominations will also not be accepted.

2. Community Development Achievement Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member in recognition of his or her outstanding contribution to community development. The person may be recognized for teaching, research, practice, programming, administration, or any combination of these roles. This person should exemplify the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society. Self-nominations will not be accepted.

3. Outstanding Program Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member or a group in recognition of completion of superior programming that exemplifies and positively influences community

development practice. The award will recognize a recent or on-going program that reflects the Principles of Good Practice throughout the implementation process.

4. Innovative Program Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member or a group in recognition of a superior innovative program (recent or on-going) using the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society.

5. Donald W. Littrell New Professional Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member in recognition of a superior contribution to the field of community development and the Society. This person should exemplify the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society. Self-nominations will not be accepted.

6. Current Research Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member in recognition of a current research project(s) or product that represents an important contribution to the field of community development and reflects the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society.

7. Student Recognition Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member who is either an undergraduate or graduate student, in recognition of his or her contribution to community development through a paper, an article, a field project or internship, or other applied research. This person should exemplify the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society.

8. Friend of Community Development Award

- a. Objective: Presented to a person who is not a CDS member, but who has made a significant contribution to the field of community development. This contribution could have been accomplished through his or her role as author, educator, administrator (public or private sector), community organizer, or elected or appointed official. This person should exemplify the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society. Self-nominations will not be accepted.

9. Outstanding Community Development Educator Award (NEW AWARD)

- a. Objective: Presented to a CDS member in recognition of their excellence in teaching and instruction within the field of Community Development. The person may be recognized for their outstanding contributions within community development education. This person should exemplify the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society and illustrate them in their educational practice within formal and/or non-formal educational settings. Self-nominations will not be accepted.

JCEP (typically due in late February through association)

1. JCEP Award for Creative Excellence

- a. Team or Individual
- b. Objective: Often, the most creative and innovative ideas - the ones that advance the science and art of Cooperative Extension - come not from committees, but rather from individuals or small teams who see something at first that the rest of us don't. Through their insight, passion and persistence, their "wild" ideas gain acceptance, enabling all of us to excel. This award recognizes those individuals or small teams and their unique contributions - whether they are early in their Extension careers, midcareer, or late-

career. For the purposes of this award, innovation is an approach to emerging issues or addressing existing issues in exceptionally creative or novel ways that get results, and that others want to emulate.

IEEA (typically due in early April)

- 1. Community Development Individual Award**
 - a. Objective: To recognize the outstanding work of a CES educator based on the impact of a particular program and the relationship of the program within the context of county programming.
- 2. Community Development Team Award**
 - a. Objective: To recognize and encourage teamwork among Educators based on the impact of a particular program. This includes two or more Educators in the same program area only and may include collaborations with other counties.
- 3. Diversity Award**
 - a. Objective: To recognize an Educator or a team of Educators achieving accomplishments in organizational change to support diversity, pluralism and invocation in programs that impact our Extension audiences. This recognition is to be given for efforts that go beyond simply meeting EEO/AA program requirements. Extension efforts that may be recognized should impact one or a combination of these areas: audience, programs, administration, policies, funding, initiatives, coalitions, staff development, advisory/decision making, and educational delivery methods/materials.
- 4. Cooperative Extension Team Service Award**
 - a. Objective: To recognize and encourage teamwork among Educators based on the impact of a particular program.
- 5. Paul B. Crooks Outstanding Educator Award (due in early October)**
 - a. Objective: The Crooks Award recognizes Extension Educators demonstrating excellence in programming across their county and communities.

PUCESA (typically due in early X)

- 1. Spirit of Extension Award**
 - a. Objective: Given to an individual, organization, or business not employed at Purdue for outstanding service or contributions to specialists' programs, services or practices.
- 2. Ann Hancock Award (in cooperation with IEEA and ESP)**
 - a. Objective: recognizes cooperation between Extension Educators and Specialists in programs that focus on families.
- 3. Early Career Award**
 - a. Objective: Recognizes an Extension Specialist (must be PUCESA member) with less than 10 years of service.
- 4. Mid-Career Award**
 - a. Objective: Recognizes an Extension specialist (must be PUCESA member) with 11-20 years of service.

5. Career Award

- a. Objective: Recognizes an Extension specialist (must be PUCESA member) with more than 20 years of service.

6. Leadership Award (formerly known as Special Award)

- a. Objective: recognizes an individual's leadership and contribution to a specific and highly effective Extension program.

7. Team Award

- a. Objective: recognizes innovative Extension Programming by a team of Specialists and their allied partners.

8. Graduate student in Extension award (\$500 award – new in 2017)

ESP (typically due to nationals in early March)

1. Distinguished Service Recognition

- a. Chapter
- b. National
- c. Objective: Designed to pay the highest chapter tribute to an experienced Extension professional who has consistently exhibited continuing leadership and excellence in Extension program planning, delivery, evaluation, in program and/or administration over a career of 20 or more years. Data supporting measurable impacts of the candidate's work in meeting needs of clientele will strengthen the nomination.

2. Administrative Leadership Recognition

- a. Chapter
- b. National
- c. Objective: Recognizes an Extension Professional who has shown noteworthy administrative enthusiasm, performance, and accomplishment during their Extension careers (10 years or more). Administrative leadership may be at county, regional, chapter, program, department, or national level. Documentation of the candidate's work in meeting the needs and furthering the efforts of supervised faculty, staff and/or program should be primary in this recognition.

3. Diversity/Multicultural Recognition (Individual and Team)

- a. Chapter
- b. National
- c. Objective: Acknowledges outstanding efforts and accomplishments in developing, achieving and sustaining Extension programs and/or audiences in our diverse and multicultural society.

4. Mid-Career Service Recognition

- a. Chapter
- b. National
- c. Objective: Designed to recognize an experienced Extension professional (with 10-20 years of service) that has exhibited continuing leadership and excellence in State Extension program planning, delivery, and evaluation in program and/or administration.

5. Early Career Service Recognition

- a. Chapter

- b. National
 - c. Objective: Designed to recognize the achievements of rising young professionals who have shown noteworthy enthusiasm, performance and accomplishment during their early Extension careers (less than 10 years) in program design and delivery.
- 6. International Service Recognition**
- a. Chapter
 - b. National
 - c. Objective: Available to ESP members who have contributed significantly to the development and/or expansion of an Extension program in another country or countries through in-state and/or overseas work.
- 7. Team Recognition**
- a. Chapter
 - b. National
 - c. Objective: Designed to recognize outstanding efforts of Extension staff teams (two or more individuals) for responding to and incorporating into a specific educational program one or more critical issues. Critical issues may be defined by local, regional, state or national need.
- 8. Continued Excellence Recognition**
- a. Chapter
 - b. National
 - c. Objective: Gives recognition to an experienced Extension professional with more than twenty years of experience who has exhibited continued leadership, initiative, and excellence in Extension program planning, delivery, evaluation in program or administration, on a state, regional and/or national level in the years after receiving the state Distinguished Service recognition. Data supporting measurable impacts of the candidate's work in meeting the needs of clientele will strengthen the nomination.
- 9. Meritorious Support Service Recognition (for support staff)**
- a. Chapter
 - b. National
 - c. Objective: This nationally authorized recognition is designed to pay tribute to the many staff in our system that, over time, have shown support for the mission, program, and professional staff of Cooperative Extension. Such persons include secretaries, program assistants, camp directors, motor pool managers, public distribution clerks, print shop operators, budget analysts, computer operators and others. Since each Chapter designs the specific criteria for this recognition, there is considerable flexibility in how a Chapter uses this recognition.
- 10. Visionary Leadership Recognition**
- a. Chapter
 - b. National
 - c. Objective: Designed to recognize Extension professionals whose significant accomplishments have resulted in leading Extension forward in new directions. This person's visionary leadership enabled Extension to anticipate a significant new opportunity and developed support to implement program organizational changes necessary to achieve success.