

July 13, 2016

To: LAFCo Commissioners

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From: Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer

Subject: 2016 CALAFCO Achievement Award Nominations

CALAFCO annually recognizes LAFCos, outstanding individual commissioners or staff, legislators, government agencies, and projects. Nominations may be made by an individual, a LAFCo, or another organization. **Nominations and supporting materials are due by Wednesday, August 31, 2016** and must be submitted on the attached form along with any supplemental materials. The attached packet also includes a list of past recipients.



Date: 20 June 2016

To: LAFCo Commissioners and Staff CALAFCO Members Other Interested Organizations

From: CALAFCO Achievement Awards Committee

#### Subject: 2016 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. *The nomination procedures have changed this year, so please review the instructions below carefully.* 

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 you can submit.
- 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 highlight the most important points of your nomination.
- 3. Nominations must be limited to no more than 1500 words or 3 pages in length maximum. You are encouraged to write them in a clear, concise and understandable manner. If the Awards Committee members require additional information, you will be contacted with that request.
- 4. All supporting information (e.g. reports, news articles, etc.) must be submitted with the nomination. Please limit supporting documentation to no more than 5 pages. If the Awards Committee members require additional information, you will be contacted with that request.
- 5. All nomination materials must be submitted at one time and must be received by the deadline. Electronic submittals are encouraged.
- 6. Nominations and supporting materials <u>must</u> be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 31, 2016. Send nominations via e-mail, or U.S. mail to:

Pamela Miller, Executive Director CALAFCO 1215 K Street, Suite 1650 Sacramento, CA 95814 pmiller@calafco.org

Members of the 2016 CALAFCO Board of Directors Awards Committee are: *Larry Duncan*, Committee Chair (Butte LAFCo, Northern Region) *John Leopold*, CALAFCO Board Chair (Santa Cruz LAFCo, Coastal Region) *Cheryl Brothers* (Orange LAFCo, Southern Region) *Michael Kelley* (Imperial LAFCo, Southern Region) *William Kirby* (Placer LAFCo, Central Region)

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Please contact Pamela Miller, CALAFCO Executive Director, at pmiller@calafco.org or (916) 442-6536 with any questions. 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 criteria on attached sheet)

- Outstanding CALAFCO Member
- Most Effective Commission
- Outstanding Commissioner
- Outstanding LAFCo Professional
- Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
- Outstanding CALAFCO Associate Member

### Project of the Year

- Distinguished Service Award
- Government Leadership Award
- Legislator of the Year (must be approved by the full CALAFCO Board)
- Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award
- Lifetime Achievement Award

### NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

Name:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:





### ACHIEVEMENTS

Please indicate the reasons why this person or agency deserves to be recognized (Remember to keep this portion to 1500 words or 3 pages maximum and use additional sheets as needed):



# **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 *Wednesday, August 31, 2016*, 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	Recognizes a LAFCo Clerk for exemplary service during the past year.
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**

#### 2015

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award	Yuba County Water Agency
Distinguished Service Award	Mary Jane Griego, Yuba LAFCo
Most Effective Commission	Butte LAFCo
Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Marjorie Blom, formerly of Stanislaus LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner	Matthew Beekman, formerly of Stanislaus LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional	Sam Martinez, San Bernardino LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk	Terri Tuck, Yolo LAFCo
Project of the Year	Formation of the Ventura County Waterworks District No. 38 (Ventura LAFCo) and 2015 San Diego County Health Care Services five-year sphere of influence and service review report (San Diego LAFCo)
Government Leadership Award	The Cities of Dublin, Pleasanton, Livermore and San Ramon, the Dublin San Ramon Services District and the Zone 7 Water Agency
CALAFCO Associate Member of the Year	Michael Colantuono of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley
Legislators of the Year Award	Assembly member Chad Mayes
Lifetime Achievement Award	Jim Chapman (Lassen LAFCo) and Chris Tooker (formerly of Sacramento LAFCo)

#### 2014

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

Government Leadership Award

Legislators of the Year Award Lifetime Achievement Award

#### 2013

Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Outstanding CALAFCO Member David Church, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Santa Clara LAFCo

Stephen Lucas, Butte LAFCo

Paul Norsell, Nevada LAFCo

Kate McKenna, Monterey LAFCo

Paige Hensley, Yuba LAFCo

LAFCo Procedures Guide: 50<sup>th</sup> Year Special Edition, San Diego LAFCo Orange County Water District, City of Anaheim, Irvine

Ranch Water District, and Yorba Linda Water District Assembly member Katcho Achadjian

Susan Wilson, Orange LAFCo

Simón Salinas, Commissioner, Monterey LAFCo

Roseanne Chamberlain, Amador LAFCo Stanislaus LAFCo Harry Ehrlich, San Diego LAFCo



Outstanding Commissioner Outstanding LAFCo Professional LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Project of the Year Government Leadership Award

Legislators of the Year Award Lifetime Achievement Award

# **2016 Achievement Award Nominations**

Jerry Gladbach, Los Angeles LAFCo Lou Ann Texeira, Contra Costa Kate Sibley, Contra Costa LAFCo Plan for Agricultural Preservation, Stanislaus LAFCo Orange County LAFCo Community Islands Taskforce, Orange LAFCo Senators Bill Emmerson and Richard Roth

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 Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner LAFCo Outstanding LAFCo Professional Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award Lifetime Achievement Award Bill Chiat, CALAFCO Executive Director

Marty McClelland, Commissioner, Humboldt LAFCo

Sonoma LAFCo

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

Sherwood Darington, Monterey

Carole Cooper, Sonoma LAFCo

Gwenna MacDonald, Lassen LAFCo

Countywide Service Review & SOI Update, Santa Clara LAFCo

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

Government Leadership Award

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

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 Helen Thompson, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo

Kathleen Rollings-McDonald, Executive Officer, San Bernardino LAFCo Bob Braitman, Executive Officer, Santa Barbara LAFCo



Most Effective Commission Outstanding CALAFCO Member Outstanding Commissioner Outstanding LAFCo Professional Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

**Special Achievement** 

#### 2009

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 Government Leadership Award

Legislator of the Year Award

#### 2008

**Distinguished Service Award** 

Most Effective Commission Outstanding Commissioner Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award Legislator of the Year Award

#### 2007

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Distinguished Service Award Counsel Most Effective Commission Outstanding Commissioner

### **2016 Achievement Award Nominations**

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

Butte LAFCo Sewer Commission - Oroville Region Municipal Service Review

Nipomo Community Services District and the County of San Luis Obispo

Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo and CALAFCO Board of Directors

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

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

Peter M. Detwiler, Senate Local Government Committee Chief Consultant

Yuba LAFCo Dennis Hansberger, San Bernardino LAFCo

Michael Ott, San Diego LAFCo Executive Officer Martha Poyatos, San Mateo Executive Officer

Wilda Turner, Los Angeles LAFCo

Kings LAFCo City and Community District MSR and SOI Update

San Bernardino Board of Supervisors

Assembly Member Anna M. Caballero

Kathy Long, Board Chair, Ventura LAFCo William D. Smith, San Diego Legal Santa Clara LAFCo Gayle Uilkema, Contra Costa LAFCo



Outstanding LAFCo Professional Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award Lifetime Achievement

#### 2006

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Award Outstanding Commissioner Award

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award

Project of the Year Award

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

Legislator of the Year Award

### **2016 Achievement Award Nominations**

Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo Executive Officer Debby Chamberlin, San Bernardino LAFCo San Bernardino LAFCo and City of Fontana Islands Annexation Program City of Fontana - Islands Annexation Program John T. "Jack" Knox

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

Clark Alsop, CALAFCO Legal Counsel

Alameda LAFCo Ted Grandsen, Ventura LAFCo Chris Tooker, Sacramento LAFCo

Larry Calemine, Los Angeles LAFCo Executive Officer

Janice Bryson, San Diego LAFCo Marilyn Flemmer, Sacramento LAFCo

Sacramento Municipal Utility District Sphere of Influence Amendment and Annexation; Sacramento LAFCo Cities of Porterville, Tulare, and Visalia and Tulare LAFCo Island Annexation Program

**Senator Christine Kehoe** 

#### 2005

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Award Outstanding Commissioner Award

Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award Project of the Year Award

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

#### 2004

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Award Outstanding Commissioner Award Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Project of the Year Award Peter Herzog, CALAFCO Board, Orange LAFCo Elizabeth Castro Kemper, Yolo LAFCo Ventura LAFCo Art Aseltine, Yuba LAFCo Henri Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo Bruce Baracco, San Joaquin LAFCo Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo San Diego LAFCo MSR of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services

Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)

Scott Harvey, CALAFCO Executive Director Julie Howard, Shasta LAFCo San Diego LAFCo Edith Johnsen, Monterey LAFCo David Kindig, Santa Cruz LAFCo

San Luis Obispo LAFCo Nipomo CSD SOI Update, MSR, and EIR



# **2016 Achievement Award Nominations**

#### 2003

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

Special Achievement Award

#### 2002

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Most Effective Commission Award Commissioner Award Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award Project of the Year Award Outstanding Government Leadership Award Michael P. Ryan, CALAFCO Board Member Henri F. Pellissier, Los Angeles LAFCo San Luis Obispo LAFCo Bob Salazar, El Dorado LAFCo Shirley Anderson, San Diego LAFCo Lori Fleck, Siskiyou LAFCo Napa LAFCo Comprehensive Water Service Study James M. Roddy

Ken Lee, CALAFCo Legislative Committee Chair San Diego LAFCo Outstanding Ed Snively, Imperial LAFCo Paul Hood, San Luis Obispo LAFCo Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo San Luis Obispo LAFCo Napa LAFCo, Napa County Farm Bureau, Napa Valley

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

#### 2001

2000

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 Fave, Yolo LAFCo **Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award** Ingrid Hansen, San Diego LAFCo Santa Barbara LAFCo Project of the Year Award Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Livermore City **Outstanding Government Leadership Award Council, Pleasanton City Council** Senator Jack O'Connell Legislator of the Year Award

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



# **2016 Achievement Award Nominations**

#### 1999

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

Assembly Member John Longville Assembly Member Robert Hertzberg

#### 1998

Outstanding CALAFCO Member Distinguished Service Award Most Effective Commission Award Outstanding Executive Officer Award Outstanding Staff Analysis

Dana Smith, Orange LAFCo Marvin Panter, Fresno LAFCo San Diego LAFCo George Spiliotis, Riverside LAFCo Joe Convery, San Diego LAFCo Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo Santa Clara County Planning Department

Outstanding Government Leadership Award

#### 1997

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

Assembly Member Tom Torlakson

Please join us for the CALAFCO Annual Conference October 26 – 28, 2016 Santa Barbara, California

