



NOMINATION INFORMATION 2026 NATIONAL PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The National Program Achievement Award is presented by NLTAPA to an individual (or individuals) in recognition of their dedication, leadership, and effectiveness in promoting the goals and purposes of the National Local and Tribal Technical Assistance Program through service to the Association (NLTAPA).

Eligibility:

Any current or former employee of an LTAP or TTAP center, an FHWA program office, or a partner organization (broadly defined).

Selection Criteria:

Significance and robustness of the impact of the nominee's accomplishments on the future of the national LTAP/TTAP program, with consideration for the type and duration of the services performed at the national level.

Leadership quality, particularly demonstrated ability to communicate and work collaboratively with constituencies beyond the local level.

Dedication and effort, going beyond expectation and beyond the regular job description.

Selection Process:

Selection of the recipient(s) is made by vote of the three NLTAPA Executive Committee Officers (President, President-Elect, and Vice-President) and a representative from the Professional Development Workgroup. In the event one of these individuals is nominated for this award, the individual would be removed from the voting process and the EC Officers would select an alternate voter.

The 2026 award(s) will be presented at the 2026 summer conference in Louisville, KY.

Submitting a Nomination:

Please email the completed nomination form (see next page) with any supporting attachments to the NLTAPA Professional Development Workgroup Co-Chair, Mary McCarthy at mary.c.mccarthy@uconn.edu.

Nominations must be received by Thursday, June 17, 2026. This is a strict deadline.



**NOMINATION FORM
2026 NATIONAL PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Directions: Please enter responses below and on the following page. Answers may be short, but should include examples whenever possible; attach additional information, as necessary.

Submit the completed form by Thursday, June 17, 2026 to Mary McCarthy
mary.c.mccarthy@uconn.edu.

1. Nominee's name:

2. Nominee's position/organization:

3. Nominee's contact information:

Email

Phone

Mailing address

4. Describe the nominee's history with LTAP/TTAP (e.g., positions held at local and national levels, or you may attach a resume)

5. How has the nominee demonstrated leadership quality?

6. How has the nominee exceeded expectation in dedication and effort for LTAP/TTAP?

7. Describe the nominee's most significant achievement(s), including the potential of these achievements to have long lasting impact on the future of the national program.

8. Your contact information:

Name

Position/Organization

Email

Phone

9. Name, email, phone for others who support this nomination:

National Program Achievement Award
Past Recipients

Year	Awarded Recipient	Recipient Organization
1999	Ray Griffith	FHWA
2000	Nelson Evans	Texas LTAP
2001	Anna Bennet	California LTAP
2002	George Shrieves	FHWA
2003	Bill Bowmaster	Nebraska LTAP
2004	Janet Coleman	FHWA
2005	--- ---	--- ---
2006	Cheri Marti	Minnesota
	Maria Ardila-Coulson	Nevada
	Hank Lambert	Vermont
2007	Patsy Anderson	Kentucky
2008	Roger Dean	FHWA
	Terry McNinch	Michigan LTAP
2009	Gene Wilson	Wyoming LTAP
	Lisa Harris	KS LTAP
2010	Marie Walsh	Louisiana LTAP
2011	Laura Melendy	California LTAP
2012	Tony Giancola	NACE
2013	Clark Martin	FHWA
2014	Janet Leli	New Jersey LTAP
	Jim Grothaus	Minnesota LTAP
2015	Ken Skorseth	South Dakota LTAP
	Cameron Ishaq	FHWA Contractor
2016	Ron Eck	West Virginia LTAP
2017	--- ---	--- ---
2018	Victoria Beale	Ohio LTAP
	Jeff Zaharawicz	FHWA
2019	David Orr	New York LTAP
	Renee Cusson Railsback	Colorado LTAP
2020	James Martin	North Carolina LTAP
	Donna Shea	Connecticut LTAP
2021	Steve Strength	Louisiana LTAP
2022	Kim Carr	West Virginia LTAP
	Rusty Lee	Deleware LTAP
2023	Matthew Enders	Washington LTAP
	Mary McCarthy	Connecticut LTAP
2024	Andrew Morgan	West Virginia LTAP
2025	Martha Horseman	Kentucky LTAP