

Recognizing Excellence *by Telling Your Story*



Aging Services Annual Awards *2010 Call for Nominations*

The Aging Services of Washington's Awards Program is all about people who make a difference every day in the lives of those they serve. It's about people, who put quality first, deliver excellence, and inspire others to do the same. The Aging Services Awards Program:

- Recognizes those individuals and organizations who have made an outstanding contribution in the fields of aging, health care, housing, and community-based services.
- Is our way of saying thank you, to those who do more than what is merely expected of them, *who do the right things for the right reasons.*

Please take the opportunity to honor our recipients during Aging Services 59th Annual Summer Conference, June (14) 15-17, 2010, at Campbell's Resort on Lake Chelan, WA. You'll want to be there on Wednesday, June 16th, to acknowledge your peers and colleagues, and to share in their success.

Deadline, Wednesday ~ March 31

Nominations should include a cover letter explaining why you believe the person or organization should be considered for an award, and up to three supporting letters or other documentation. Please read the criteria for each award clearly. Supporting photos, articles or video are welcome.

The committee reserves the right to place nominations in categories deemed most appropriate. Aging Services Award recipients, where qualified, will be recommended to submit to AAHSA by April 30th.

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Advocates for its members in the advancement of innovation, quality, and social responsibility in aging services.

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AWARD OF HONOR


Aging Services highest award is presented to one distinguished individual who has provided outstanding leadership in creating the future of Aging Services and reinforcing our fundamental values.

- The individual's imaginative leadership, exceptional service and commitment to quality are advancing both the association and the aging services field.
 - Nominee has accomplished significant goals over a substantial period of time.
 - Nominee's cumulative, ongoing achievements and positive impact on the field are notable and worthy of state/national recognition.
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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Recognizes the achievement of an Aging Services member organization that has demonstrated exceptional social accountability. It honors a commitment by volunteers, leadership, youth and staff to meeting community needs as part of the organization's overall mission and planning.

- The nominee's program demonstrates significant and quantifiable community benefit.
 - The nominee has used critical self-examination of the organization's capabilities, contributions and interactions in assessing community needs.
 - The nominee shows that it uses open communication and is perceived by others as providing essential public services.
 - The nominee's program is replicable by other organizations of similar type.
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CULTURAL DIVERSITY


Recognizes an individual or organization that has effected positive change through a significant commitment to cultural diversity and inclusion.

- A member organization or individual associated with one is eligible for this award.
- The nominee demonstrates significant achievement in cultural diversity and inclusion with respect to residents, staff and in developing future leaders.
- The contribution is noteworthy and innovative.
- The nominee can demonstrate positive change within the aging-services organization in advancing the interests of a diverse population.



DR. HERBERT SHORE OUTSTANDING MENTOR


Recognizes an individual who has demonstrated outstanding abilities in one-on-one teaching, motivating, challenging and developing future leaders in the field of aging services. The award is named for the late Dr. Herbert Shore, an AAHSA founder, past president, Award of Honor recipient and well-known mentor.

- An individual associated with or a member of Aging Services is eligible for this award.
 - The mentor is nominated by individual (s) or organization with close knowledge of the nominee's accomplishments as a mentor.
 - The nomination reflects that the mentor has engaged his or her protégé(s) in Aging Services and fostered their leadership development.
 - The submission shows the extent of the nominee's impact as a mentor and is strengthened by testimonials from one or more protégés.
 - The submission indicates accomplishments of the protégé(s) that have been influenced by the mentor.
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EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP

Recognizes individuals and governing boards that demonstrate excellence in leadership or governance accountability and whose organizations are aligned with the Quality First principles.

- The nominee has provided recognizable leadership worthy of state/national recognition.
 - The nominee advances principles of responsible stewardship, financial integrity and fund development.
 - The nominee has fostered growth and change through understanding the aging services environment.
 - The nominee's accomplishments demonstrate a significant contribution to the well-being of persons served.
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EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Recognizes ongoing commitment to quality aging services through evidence-based research and dissemination of research findings through internal and external shared learning opportunities.

- Nominee demonstrates commitment to giving back to the field by sharing research findings and innovative practices with peers.
- Nominee creates opportunities for professionals and organizations to learn from one another.
- Nominee utilizes continuing education to encourage creativity and innovation in care and services.



EXCELLENCE IN THE WORKPLACE

Recognizes organizations that demonstrate effectiveness in fostering and advancing a healthy workplace culture and an environment that promotes the recruitment, retention and development of staff at all levels of the organization

- Nominee demonstrates, in policy and practice, that investing in the staff and workplace environment are critical to the delivery of quality care and services.
- Nominee demonstrates innovation in workforce development, policies and practices.
- Nominee ensures that all levels of staff obtain training.
- Nominee values and promotes diversity in the workforce.



LEADING-EDGE CARE AND SERVICES


Recognizes organizations for programs and services that are models of innovation and excellence and that contribute significantly to the quality of life of the individuals served.

- The program of care or service emphasizes quality of life for the individuals served or significantly improves the aging-services organization's operations.
- The program of care or service provides proven benefits to the residents, clients or organization.
- The program of care or service has potential for application to the needs of other aging-services organizations.
- The program of care or service has been in actual operation for two or more years (not including planning time).



OUTSTANDING ADVOCACY


Recognizes an individual or organization for advocating for aging services at the local, state or national level.

- Nominee has advocated and actively encouraged others to advocate on aging services issues with local, state or national policy makers and or media.
 - The nominee has organized other persons or groups to advocate for affected positive change.
 - The nominee demonstrates dedication to the not-for-profit and mission-driven philosophy.
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PUBLIC TRUST

Recognizes an individual or organization that has advanced public trust and confidence in aging services through public services, collaboration, media or other efforts to educate consumers and help them make informed choices.

- Aging Services member or nonmember individuals and organizations, including the media, are eligible for this award.
 - Nominee has furthered public understanding of the continuum of aging services and support of positive change.
 - Nominee conveys information to consumers and/or policy makers about quality of care and quality of life in aging services.
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2010 Annual Awards Nomination Form

Please type or print clearly. **Deadline: Wednesday March 31, 2010**

A. Nominator information (the person submitting this nomination)

Nominator : _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email _____

B. I/We nominate the following person (s), program, or organization for consideration as a recipient of (check one):

<input type="checkbox"/> Award of Honor	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Research and Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in the Workplace
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Diversity	<input type="checkbox"/> Leading Edge Care and Services
<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Herbert Shore Outstanding Mentor	<input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Advocacy
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Trust

Recipient must qualify based on the Individual Awards Criteria (see attached).

C. If the judges wish to consider your entry in a different category, is this acceptable to you? Yes__ No__

D. Nominee information (the person, organization or program being nominated)

Nominee/Program: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Direct Manager/Supervisor Name: _____

