2017 Awards

Above & Beyond Award

This award recognizes staff, residents or other organizations who have played a significant role in implementing a municipality's sustainability plan and achieving the community's goals related to cultural sustainability, which refers to vibrant and festive communities.

Completed award nominations are to be submitted, with the subject line **Nomination for Above & Beyond Award** on or before **June 15, 2017.**

E-mail: awards@auma.ca

You will receive a confirmation of reciept within 2 business days of making a submission. If you do not receive confirmation, please contact Kelsie Thistle - kthistle@auma.ca or 780-989-7417.

WE ARE economies OF SCALE | WE ARE THE support YOU NEED | WE ARE THE experts IN MUNICIPALITIES | WE ARE YOUR advocate

Above & Beyond Award

The Above and Beyond Award recognizes staff, residents or other organizations who have played a significant role in implementing a municipality's sustainability plan and achieving the community's goals in a specified dimension of sustainability that rotates each year.

This year's theme is cultural sustainability, which refers to vibrant and festive communities where there is:

- A sense of community identity and belonging
- Opportunity for expression via a variety of art forms (visual, dramatic, musical, etc.)
- A strong sense of community heritage
- Pride in community
- Respect and engagement of all citizens regardless of cultural background

Examples of cultural sustainability initiatives:

- Public art projects
- Protecting heritage properties
- Developing or upgrading public spaces for community gatherings
- Creating cultural display, rehearsal or other creative spaces for local artists and performers
- Making artistic, cultural and heritage offerings more physically, financially and geographically accessible
- Municipally sponsored or led celebrations and festivals
- Events or projects that promote intercultural dialogue and diversity

Eligibility

Eligible nominees may include municipal staff, residents, and/or organizations, and may even include a committee made up of municipal officials and residents.

Nominees for the Above and Beyond Award will have gone the extra mile in one or more of the following areas:

a. Championing the concept and principles of municipal sustainability planning within the community or municipal organization;

b. Playing a key role in implementing a specific initiative that contributed to measurable progress of a municipality's cultural sustainability.

Nominating process

A municipal Council may nominate staff, resident(s), or a community organization for the award by submitting a completed nomination form to the AUMA.

Information on Awards selection will be sent to the Nominator, who will be asked to provide contact information for the award recipient.

Type of award

The award will be a certificate, plaque or other form of suitable recognition.

Time of award

The award will be presented during the AUMA's Annual Convention. Award winners will be notified in late September 2017.

Above & Beyond Award Nomination

Deadline: June 15, 2017 **Email:** awards@auma.ca

There are three components to the Above & Beyond Award Nomination:

1. The nomination form below.
2. The questions as outlined on page 4 of this document.
3. Collect 4 - 6 photos (high resolution JPG) that showcase the nominee.

Once all three components are complete, email them to awards@auma.ca.

Nomination form:

Complete the nomination form below, save as a PDF and attach to your emailed submission.

Municipality: _____

Name of Nominee (Individual or Group): _____

Nominator Contact Information:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____ Town/City: _____

_____ Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

☐ I confirm that this nomination has been approved by the council of:

Municipality: _____ Date: _____

Email your completed submission to: awards@auma.ca

Deadline: June 15, 2017

Above & Beyond Award Nomination

Deadline: June 15, 2017 **Email:** awards@auma.ca

Questions:

Answer the following questions, submit as a separate file (pdf or word doc) and attach to your emailed submission. URL links to further information can be included in your answers.

Question		Weighting (points out of 100)	Maximum word count
1.	Describe how the nominee has championed and exemplified the concept and principles of municipal sustainability planning within the community or municipal organization.	30	200
2.	Provide examples of the role(s) the nominee played in implementing one or more specific initiatives that contributed to measurable progress in the cultural sustainability of the municipality. What was the outcome or end-product?	30	200
3.	Describe how the nominee went above and beyond what would normally be expected of them.	30	200
4.	Submit pictures or images that illustrate the nominee's contribution to the municipality's cultural sustainability.	10	n/a

Checklist:

- ☐ I confirm that I have completed the nomination form and am including it in my emailed submission.
- ☐ I confirm that I have completed the questions as outlined and am including it in my emailed submission.
- ☐ I confirm that I have included 4 - 6 photos (high resolution JPG) in my emailed submission. By submitting these photos I give AUMA permission to use them for promotional purposes.

Email your completed submission to: awards@auma.ca

Deadline: June 15, 2017