Announcing the Florida City and County Management Association (FCCMA) 2023 Awards Program

Each year, the FCCMA recognizes leaders in the profession who have demonstrated professionalism and service within the field of public administration. Nominated and selected by their peers, award recipients are all recognized during the annual conference.

Award Categories

The Richard (Dick) Simmons Lifetime Achievement Award is awarded to an exemplary individual who has served the profession or the FCCMA with steadfast dedication, innovation and the highest standard of excellence. This award is a memorial to Dick Simmons – a pioneer in the profession, past FCCMA President, range rider emeritus and a 60+ year FCCMA member. To be eligible for consideration for this prestigious award, an individual must be nominated by a voting member of the FCCMA and meet the following criteria:

- A minimum of 30 years working in local government, with at least 15 years at the level of Assistant City/County Manager or higher. Working in local government includes employment by a higher education institution providing relevant training to local government employees.

- A member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) and FCCMA, in good standing.

- Demonstrated member of ICMA and commensurate state management association(s) for at least 20 years.

- Demonstrated active participation in state management associations over his or her career.

- Made contributions over one’s lifetime in the likeness of Richard (Dick) Simmons.

The Michael (Mike) J. Roberto Award for Career Development recognizes an FCCMA member who has made a significant contribution to the development of new talent in professional local government management (internships, mentoring, etc.). This award is a memorial to Mike Roberto, a past President of the FCCMA and a recognized leader in the development of public management careers.

The Professional Management Excellence Award recognizes an outstanding and long-term local government administrator who has fostered representative democracy by enhancing the effectiveness of local elected officials and by consistently initiating creative and successful programs. Nominees must be endorsed by a past or present elected official.

The Assistant for Excellence in Leadership Award is awarded to an FCCMA member who has significantly demonstrated excellence in leadership while serving as an assistant (regardless of title) to a chief local government administrator or department head. Nominees must be full-time employees and endorsed by their Chief Administrative Officer.

The Rising Star Award recognizes local government leaders in Florida with less than 10 years of local government experience for their personal and professional excellence. Those selected are among the industry’s top emerging talent and will be an integral part of the FCCMA and local government administration for years to come. Nominees must be an FCCMA member with a minimum of two years in good standing, as well as be a current local government employee.

Nominators for each award must submit a completed application, cover letter and any supporting materials by 5:00 p.m. ET on January 13, 2023, to be considered for these awards. For specific selection criteria and required documentation and to complete the application, please visit fccma.org. For questions, please contact staff at fccma@flcities.com.
2023 FCCMA Awards Nomination Form

Name of the Award: ________________________________________________________________

Person Being Nominated: ____________________________________________________________

Title of Person Being Nominated: _____________________________________________________

Government Affiliation: ______________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: _________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: __________________ Zip Code: _________

Person Making the Nomination: ______________________________________________________

Title of Person Making the Nomination: ________________________________________________

Phone Number: __________________________

Fax Number: __________________________

Email for Contact Person: __________________________________________________________

Use a separate form for each nomination. Attach a cover letter (no more than one page) summarizing why this person should be considered as a nominee for the award. Please include any supporting documentation that more fully explains why your nominee is a suitable candidate for the award. This documentation may include scanned newspaper clippings, project summaries, pictures or may simply be a more detailed explanation of what the nominee has done to make him or her stand out above the others in this category. All submittals must be electronic, no larger than 5MB and received by FCCMA staff at fccma@flcities.com by 5:00 p.m. ET on January 13, 2023. Late entries will not be considered. A confirmation email will be sent after the award nomination is received.

Endorsing Signature, if required: __________________________________________________________