

The Distinguished Service Award

The Award

Many times, performance of significant and outstanding public service has gone unnoticed and unrecognized. The importance of continuing efforts to improve organization and administration of local government cannot be overstressed. While retaining the best from the past, **every avenue** that might lead to improved borough structure and administration **should be explored** and new methods should be encouraged where appropriate. To provide the means for appropriate **public recognition for such service and achievement**, PSAB established the Distinguished Service Award for borough officials.

Basis of the Award

The award is presented to an individual performing **distinguished, meritorious, and exceptionally outstanding service to the citizens of his or her borough** and to promote of better borough government.

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of the award is to **stimulate constructive thinking** and to **encourage real service** on the part of borough officials and to bring to the attention of the public professional progress and service. More than one award may be given in any year.

Eligibility

Competition for the award is open to **borough officials** of any borough that is a member in good standing of PSAB at the time of the award. No prior recipient of the award is eligible for subsequent consideration within 10 years of the prior award. The following borough officials are eligible: **mayor, council member, secretary, manager, or treasurer**.

Nominations

Nominations will be judged on the following criteria: (1) the impact of the accomplishments on the borough; (2) the extent of the gain in **effectiveness of economy promoted** by the work of the nominee; (3) the relative **importance** of the accomplishments to the activities and needs of the borough; (4) the amount of **personal sacrifice** that was required and how much was done **beyond the call of duty**; and (5) the success of the nominee in attaining the goal **in the face of opposition**.

Presentation

The award will be presented at the Annual Conference in June 2018.



How to Apply

Send a letter of application covering the above criteria to the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs, Attention: Stephanie Drake, Distinguished Service Award, 2941 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. OR – **New!** Complete your nomination online at www.boroughs.org. Click on the "Conferences" tab and then click on "Awards".

All applications are due by March 12, 2018.