



CITY OF SEATTLE

# BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT RECOGNITION AWARDS

### Nominate an individual and/or Board or Commission for a City of Seattle Civic Engagement Recognition Award.

The City of Seattle's 73 Boards and Commissions are represented by over 1000 service minded individuals. Board and Commission members are subject matter experts in their respective fields and offer lived experience and diverse perspectives to inform elected officials' decision making on important issues. Boards and commissions and the individuals appointed by elected officials and the community at-large contribute to the betterment of Seattle in meaningful ways and deserve recognition for their dedication to civic engagement and public service.

Nominate an individual or an entire board or commission for their outstanding and dedicated service to Seattle. **Complete the nomination form by September 30, 2026.**

Winners will be recognized at the year-end *Boards and Commissions Appreciation Reception* hosted by the Office of the City Clerk on behalf of the Mayor and Seattle City Council.

(Questions: [BoardsCommissions@seattle.gov](mailto:BoardsCommissions@seattle.gov) or 206-684-8344)

### Criteria for nomination

In their capacity as a member of a City of Seattle Board or Commission, nominees must:

- Demonstrate commitment to access, diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- Have made exemplary contributions to the common good through their service.
- Be serving as an active member.

### Award categories

#### Individuals

- **Emerging Civil Leader Award:** Recognizes an individual of any age who is in the early stages of their civic engagement on a City of Seattle board or commission and who demonstrates exceptional leadership and innovation (*1 to 4 years of service at the time of nomination*).
- **City of Seattle Civil Leader of the Year Award:** Recognizes a long-term board or commission member whose contributions exemplify the highest attributes of civic engagement and public service (*5+ years of service at the time of nomination*).

## **Board or Commission**

- **Collaboration and Community Engagement Award:** Recognizes a board or commission for leveraging their outreach, engagement and collaboration efforts to amplify and empower community and underrepresented voices.
- **Innovation and Impact Award:** Recognizes a board or commission as a collective that has offered creative, innovative solutions and recommendations that significantly impacted City of Seattle's programs, policies, services and/or legislation.

## **Nomination Process**

Nominations are open to the public, and anyone is welcome to submit one. Board or commission members may also self-nominate. Before completing the online nomination form, please review the required fields below to prepare a response (250 words minimum).

### **Individual award categories**

- Provide a clear, specific description of the nature, extent, level of effort and time period of nominee's service. Consider the nominee's contribution, ideas, leadership capacity, and accomplishments.
- How has the nominee demonstrated their commitment to access, diversity, equity and inclusion?

### **Board or Commission award categories**

- Fully explain the impact of service—whether it benefits large numbers of people, significantly impacts the welfare of a few, or influences major issues, policy, programs and/or City services.
- How has this board or commission demonstrated their commitment to access, diversity, equity and inclusion?

### **Supplementary material (optional but highly encouraged)**

- Additional letters of endorsement
- Attachments
- Links

## **[ONLINE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AWARD NOMINATION FORM](#)**

## **Selection Process**

The selection committee is a diverse group representing Seattle, including government and non-government organizations. Individuals or boards or commissions with multiple nominations in one category do not guarantee selection. The selection committee will review all nomination submissions and select winners who are exemplary in each category.

## **Qualified City of Seattle Board and Commission**

Nominees must be actively serving on one of the City of Seattle Board or Commission listed below.

**A.**

Arboretum and Botanical Gardens Committee

**B.**

Ballard Avenue Landmark District Board  
Benaroya Hall Music Center Board  
Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners  
Burke-Gilman Place Preservation and Development Authority

**C.**

Central Waterfront Oversight Committee  
City Light Review Panel  
Civil Service Commission  
Community Involvement Commission  
Community Police Commission  
Community Roots Housing Preservation and Development Authority  
Community Surveillance Working Group  
Community Technology Advisory Board  
Construction Codes Advisory Board  
Cultural Space Agency Public Development Authority  
Governing Council

**D.**

Design Review Board  
Domestic Workers Standards Board

**E.**

Equitable Development Initiative Advisory Board

**F.**

Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise Oversight Committee

**G.**

Green New Deal Oversight Board

**H.**

Historic Seattle Preservation and Development Authority  
Housing Levy Oversight Committee

**I.**

Indigenous Advisory Council  
International Special Review District Board

**J.**

Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee

**L.**

Labor Standards Advisory Commission  
Landmarks Preservation Board

**M.**

Mayor's Council on African American Elders  
Museum Development Authority

**P.**

Pacific Hospital Preservation and Development Authority

Pike Place Market Historical Commission

Pike Place Market Preservation and Development Authority  
Council

Pioneer Square Preservation Board

Priority Hire Advisory Committee

Public Safety Civil Service Commission

**S.**

Seattle Arts Commission  
Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board  
Seattle Center Advisory Commission  
Seattle Chinatown / International District Preservation and Development Authority  
Seattle Design Commission  
Seattle Disability Commission  
Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission  
Seattle Film Commission  
Seattle Fire Code Advisory Board  
Seattle Firefighters Pension Board  
Seattle Freight Advisory Board  
Seattle Housing Authority Board  
Seattle Human Rights Commission  
Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Commission  
Seattle Indian Services Commission  
Seattle International Affairs Advisory Board  
Seattle King County Advisory Council on Aging and Disability Services  
Seattle LGBTQ Commission  
Seattle Music Commission  
Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board  
Seattle Planning Commission  
Seattle Public Library Board of Trustees  
Seattle Public Utilities Customer Review Panel  
Seattle Renters' Commission  
Seattle School Traffic Safety Committee  
Seattle Social Housing Public Development Authority  
Seattle Transit Advisory Board  
Seattle Women's Commission  
Seattle Youth Commission  
Skagit Environmental Endowment Commission  
Special Events Committee  
Sweetened Beverage Tax Community Advisory Board

**T.**

Transportation Levy Oversight Committee

**U.**

Urban Forestry Commission

**W.**

Washington State Convention Center Public Facilities Board  
Woodland Park Zoological Society