# NPZA Award Nomination Form 2026

Nebraska Planning and Zoning Association (NPZA) recognizes outstanding individuals and communities that have contributed to the field of planning in Nebraska. Awards are considered for presentation at the annual meeting. Please consider making a nomination.

## Submission Address / Contact Information

E-mail submissions to:

Judy Clark
president@npza.org

If you have questions about the nomination application process, contact Judy Clark at (308) 535-6724 or president@npza.org.

## Submission Deadline

**Nominations must be received at the above e-mail address by Monday, January 26, 2026 at 5:00 PM. Any entries received after that date will not be considered for award.**

## Judging and Awards Ceremony

Judging for NPZA Awards will be performed by the Award Nomination Committee and is under no obligation to grant an award in any category or subcategory. Nominations submitted under a certain category may result in an award in a different category if the Awards Committee feels the nomination is better suited to another category or subcategory.

Presentation of awards will be made at the 2026 Nebraska Planning Conference scheduled for March 4 – March 6, 2026 at the Younes Conference Center North in Kearney, Nebraska. NPZA Award winners will be presented with a personalized award or certificate, depending on the category, at the conference and will be featured in an edition of the NPZA Newsletter.

## Award Nomination Dates

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| Nomination Due Date | January 26, 2026 |
| Nomination Judging Period | January 27-30, 2026 |
| Award Presentation | March 5, 2026 |

## Required Nomination Materials

- **Nomination Form:** Please complete the online nomination form located at https://npza.org/awards/. The information requested in this form includes:
  - **Nominator Information**
  - **Nominee Information**
  - **Reasons for Nomination:** Provide a short summary of the award nomination in the space provided in the online form [500 words maximum].
  - **Local Media Contact Information**
- **Nomination Documentation:** Please upload the information requested below via email or the Dropbox link below.
  - **Photos:** Include up to 5 photos of the nominee or the projects the nominee has worked on. Please include as high a resolution as possible, as images will be used in award presentations and may be used in future printed materials.
  - **Letters of Support/Media Coverage:** Documents that support the nomination.

Submit the files to president@npza.org

*Please label files clearly with the project name and document (e.g., Nominee Name, Project Name _Photo1, Project Name _Letter1, etc.) before submitting.*

# NPZA Community of Achievement Award
# Nomination Form

Person making nomination: _____

Nominator contact information:

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

## Nomination:

Name/Title: _____

Represents: _____

Reasons for nomination:

Local media contact information:

## Required Criteria

1. Two awards are given for this nomination. One award for a community of less than 5,000 in population and one award for a community between 5,001 – 35,000 in population. Nominees for this award are limited to a village that has completed a project related to the field of planning and zoning or a community project that was an overall benefit to the community.
2. Awardees must have completed a project in the planning realm such as adopting a comp plan, new zoning regulations or maybe a new program related to planning/zoning.

## Additional Criteria

1. Evidence and information supporting the community must be submitted with the nomination, these could be pictures, a list of studies or news media articles regarding the community project(s).
2. Letters of support are strongly encouraged.