

AAEM Awards Program

Rookie of the Year Award: New Emergency Manager with less than two years experience who demonstrates innovative methods for enhancing Emergency Management. Please include an example of why you feel this person should receive this award. This candidate should possess a minimum of the Basic Level certification.

Career Achievement in Emergency Management Award: An actively employed or retired Emergency Manager with 10+ years experience who has distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their community and the state by exhibiting an exceptionally high standard of leadership and professionalism. Please include a list of achievements and awards.

Preparedness Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has developed a structure in preparing for disasters. Developed a plan, exercised a plan, developed a volunteer management program, worked with the community to better prepare – i.e. Be Ready Day, Storm Spotter, Continuity Plans, mass casualty planning, etc. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Photographs and supporting documentation strongly encouraged.

Response Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has developed a structure in responding to disasters. A program that has responded to a disaster – displayed outstanding, timely response to an affected area, citizens/victims – sheltering, ICS, NIMS, commodity distribution, etc. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Photographs and supporting documentation strongly encouraged.

Recovery Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has focused on restoring the affected communities to its previous state. Developed plans, conducted meetings, worked with elected officials to secure grants or community involvement to help rebuild, etc. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Please include information on the program and how it has benefitted the communities.

Mitigation Program of the Year Award: Recognizes a program that has focused on long-term strategies to protect lives and reduce the impact of disasters. Secured funding for shelters, sirens, weather radios, etc. – made a difference in the community to mitigate the effects of disasters. One award may be presented to the small county (rural), one award may be presented to a medium sized county, and one award may be presented to a large county. Details and supporting strategy strongly encouraged.

Pat Neuhauser Spirit of EMA Award: High level of enthusiasm in promoting emergency management, willingness to share and serve, dedicated, faithful and loyal. This is the most prestigious award offered by AAEM. One award may be presented each year. A person may only be awarded one time. You are strongly encouraged to supply examples of nominee qualities that reflect the values listed above. Additional letters from others in the community would be a plus.

Alfred T. Moore Memorial Volunteer Award: Recognizes a volunteer who has demonstrated loyalty, a willingness to serve at a moment's notice in any emergency needing their assistance and serving in a volunteer capacity for at least 5 years. One award may be presented each year. Please provide supporting details, photographs, etc. that illustrate your nominee's qualifications.

Vendor Recognition Certificates: Will be presented to every vendor sponsoring the AAEM program.

The deadline for accepting recommendations for awards will be May 1, 2024. The Awards and Recognition Committee will meet in May to make award selections and to insure all awards and certificates are received and correct before the Annual Conference.

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INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Name of person you are recommending for an award:

Where is the person you are recommending employed?

Agency/Company Name Street Address City/State/Zip

Which award are you making a recommendation for? (Check only ONE)

_____ Rookie of the Year Award

_____ Alfred T. Moore Memorial Volunteer Award

_____ Career Achievement in Emergency Management Award

_____ Pat Neuhauser Spirit of EMA Award

Please provide the following information should the Awards Committee have any questions regarding your submission.

Your Name: _____ Office phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Complete this form and enclose it with documentation supporting your recommendation.

Deadline for accepting award recommendations is Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

For questions, please contact Keith Barnett at (334) 567-6451 or kbarnett@elmoreco.org.

Send completed applications and supporting documentation by email to kbarnett@elmoreco.org.

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PROGRAM AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

AAEM Program Awards are an opportunity to tell others about the great work that is done by local EMA's across Alabama. Selected nominees will be given an opportunity to talk about their program at the AAEM Annual Conference. This is a great opportunity to showcase the innovative work of county EMA staff, local first responders and volunteers, and community partnerships in preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery that is done throughout the year.

Interested counties are asked to submit short stories about what they have been doing to share with their peers. These don't necessarily have to be "new and improved" ideas – they could just be stories about how EMA's are excelling at handling routine functions, how an exercise was planned and executed, how they assisted an emergency response, how they rewrote a plan, etc. Potential topics include anything of interest to the rest of the AAEM.

Nominees selected for Program Awards will be expected to provide a brief presentation at the AAEM Annual Conference. The presentation can be a speech, a panel of speakers, a video, a demonstration or walk-through of equipment, etc. – a slideshow is optional but is not required.

Nomination and presentation info:

Title of program/presentation (limit to 10 words):

Name of presenter/nominee: _____

Category (select one): Preparedness Mitigation Response Recovery

County represented: _____

Agency/organization represented: _____

Email address: _____

Phone number: _____

County size (select one): Small Medium Large

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PROGRAM AWARDS NOMINATION FORM (CONT.)

Preferred session length, in minutes (select one): 10 20 30

Any special equipment needed for presentation: _____

Short summary/abstract (limit to 50 words): _____

Learning objectives (major points of interest that the audience will take away):

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

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