

Operations Excellence Award - Submission Form

Submissions must be received no later than March 6, 2026 to be eligible. NO EXCEPTIONS.

* Indicates required question

1. Email *

Award Submissions [Click here to see the complete award details, criteria for submission and eligibility requirements.](#)

Operations Excellence Award

Our public works professionals are in the field every day dealing with a multitude of tasks. This award is to recognize the hard working individuals that have done something extraordinary or demonstrated excellence in public works operations. They have made a difference by responding to a citizen in distress, a major event in the community, or lifting up their team in a way not typically expected. OPWA wants to recognize the great commitment and dedication these workers have demonstrated to their communities, peers and employers.

Submission Information

NOTE: This Submission Form cannot be submitted until all information requested below has been completed.

Sections 3 to 7 have required field entries - If a field is not applicable, enter "n/a".

Operations Excellence Award Criteria

This information will be used by the Awards Committee judging panel to assess the content of the submission and ultimately to determine the winner for this award.

Please ensure to address all applicable criteria in your responses.

Word Counts. Where a maximum word count is specified, the following character limits apply as a general guide:

250 words ≈ 1,600 characters

300 words ≈ 2,000 characters

500 words ≈ 3,300 characters

2. Select the category for your Operations Excellence Award nomination: *

Mark only one oval.

Management

Non-Management

3. Please describe the extraordinary or heroic event. Describe how this person or team made a difference by responding to a citizen in distress, a major event or lifting up their team in a way not typically expected. (max 300 words) *

Nominee & Biography

Please provide a description of nominee and their personal public works career story. Please also include a headshot in the Digital Media Upload (section 10 of the form).

4. **Name of Nominee (or Team Members).** *

5. **Biography: Individual or Team. (max. 250 words)** *

Nominee Contact Info

6. **Title** *

7. **Agency/ Organization** *

8. **Phone** *

9. **Email** *

Nominating Representative

The candidate can be nominated by the OPWA Chapter, its Branches, OPWA members or a managing public agency.

10. **Contact Person ***

11. **Title ***

12. **Agency/ Organization ***

13. **Phone Number ***

14. **Email ***

Certificate Requirements

OPWA will provide one (1) framed certificate for this award to the winning nominee(s).

Digital Media Upload

Each award submission is permitted a maximum of three (3) digital uploads (photos), plus one (1) headshot (high resolution) of the nominee or one group shot.

15. **photo format:** (.jpg or .png, no larger than 10 MB)

photo file naming: *award name(in 2wrds)_project name(in 4wrds)_photo#*

Files submitted:

