

2021 TPPA Award Nominations Request

The TPPA Awards Program recognizes organizations and individuals for contribution to their communities, public power and TPPA. One or more representatives of any TPPA member system may make nominations. The awards will be presented at the TPPA Annual Meeting during the Awards Breakfast on Wednesday, July 28th. The TPPA Annual Meeting will be held on July 26-28, 2021 at the Westin Riverwalk in San Antonio, Texas. **The deadline for submitting nominations is Friday, June 4, 2021.** TPPA will give awards in the following categories:

Distinguished Service Award - This award recognizes outstanding leadership and dedication to public power by an official of a TPPA member system. **Eligibility:** Any official of a TPPA member system who has been active in the Association for at least two years. **Criteria:** Official must 1) display exceptional leadership; 2) provide significant contributions to public power locally and in Texas.

Past Award Winners Include:

2020	Ron Bowman, Boerne
2019	Doug Faseler, Seguin
2018	Phil Wilson, LCRA
2017	Mark Dreyfus, Austin Energy
2016	Phil Williams, Denton Municipal Electric

System Achievement Award - This award recognizes outstanding system achievement by TPPA member organizations. **Eligibility:** Any TPPA member system. **Criteria:** Member system 1) is widely recognized in the public power field; 2) have enhanced the prestige of public power; 3) have improved service to customers.

Past Award Winners Include:

2020	CPS Energy
2019	Pedernales Electric Cooperative
2018	Kerrville PUB
2017	CPS Energy and New Braunfels Utilities
2016	City of Seguin

Paula J. DiFonzo Industry Achievement Award –This award recognizes women in public power who have made outstanding leadership and individual contributions to their public power system in Texas. **Eligibility:** Any female employee of a Texas public power system who has been active in the association for at least two years. **Criteria:** Nominees must 1) display outstanding leadership; 2) provide individual contributions to their public power system. This award was originally named the Industry Achievement Award.

Past Award Winners Include:

2020	Renee Shelton, GEUS
2019	Vicki Reim, BTU
2018	Sue Ann Harting, TMPA and GEUS
2017	Dr. Judith Dykes Hoffmann, New Braunfels Utilities

Gary Brown Service Award- This award recognizes outstanding leadership and dedication by a municipal official in a city served by a TPPA member utility. **Eligibility:** Any official of a city served by a TPPA member utility who has been active in the association for at least two years. **Criteria:** Nominees must 1) display exceptional leadership; 2) provide significant contributions to public power locally and in Texas.

Past Award Winners Include:

2020	Jeff Thompson, Boerne
2019	John E. Sample, KPUB
2018	Tony Michalsky, College Station Utilities
2017	Lowell Ogle, Brenham
2016	Ron Bowman, Boerne

TPPA Honor Roll - This award recognizes service to TPPA by an elected or appointed official of a TPPA member system. **Eligibility:** Any elected or appointed official of a TPPA member system or a corporate member. **Criteria:** Nominees' personal service to TPPA must have 1) made a substantial contribution toward the attainment of the goals of TPPA; 2) made a substantial contribution toward enhancing the prestige of the Association.

Past Award Winners Include:

2020	Lance Pettigrew, Schneider Engineering
2019	John Davidson, Davidson Troilo Ream & Garza
2018	Bill Smart, Hometown Connections and Wendell Bell, TPPA
2017	Did not award
2016	Patty Cruz, Leidos Engineering

Public Service Award - This award recognizes exceptional leadership and public service by officials in the public power field. **Eligibility:** Any publicly elected or appointed official in the public power field whose actions have furthered the objectives of public power. **Criteria:** Nominees 1) must have made a substantial contribution to public power; 2) must have made a substantial contribution to their community.

Past Award Winners Include:

2020	Mayor Gaylynn Burris, Boerne
2019	Michael Schultz, Boerne
2018	Al Kaufmann, New Braunfels Utilities
2017	Jason Bienski, former Mayor of Bryan
2016	Did not award

To submit nominations:

Mail nominee's name, title, organization, address, or system name and a brief explanation why this person or system is being recommended for the award to:

*2021 Annual Meeting Awards
Texas Public Power Association
PO Box 82768
Austin, Texas 78708*

Also include the name, title, and organization of the person submitting nomination. The form may also be faxed to the TPPA office at (512)472-5967, by **June 4, 2021**. For additional information contact Debra Scarbo at the TPPA offices at (512)472-5965, ext. 12 or dscarbo@tppa.com.

Texas Public Power Association 2021 Award Nominations Form

I would like to nominate the following awards nominations (fill in name of person or system in blank provided):

Distinguished Service Award:

Name of person _____

Explanation _____

System Achievement Award:

Name of system _____

Explanation _____

Paula J. DiFonzo Industry Achievement Award:

Name of person _____

Explanation _____

Gary Brown Service Award:

Name of person _____

Explanation _____

TPPA Honor Roll:

Name of person _____

Explanation _____

Jack Miller Public Service Award:

Name of person _____

Explanation _____

Please provide the following:

Name: _____ **System:** _____

Return by FAX to 512-472-5965 or email to Debra Scarbo at dscarbo@tpa.com by Friday, June 4, 2021.
You may also mail to the TPPA offices at PO Box 82768, Austin, TX 78708