

# *SILGA*

## *Community*

### *Excellence Awards*

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Are you proud of your community or regional area's accomplishments? Would you like it to be recognized at our convention and more broadly through social media and the news?

To promote the environmental, social, and economic wellbeing of our member communities and to share ideas and best practices throughout the SILGA area, we have created awards to showcase a community in each of these categories.

To nominate your local government, simply provide a brief letter describing a fantastic project, event, or activity that you are proud of. A winner will be chosen in each category and presented an award during our AGM. We are intentionally making this process as easy and seamless as possible. If your community or area has excelled in any of the following categories, let us know:

- **Environmental Sustainability**
- **Social Responsibility**
- **Economic Development**

#### **The Rules:**

Nominations must come in the form of a letter to the SILGA Executive Director (no requirements as to length, and letters should be emailed).

1. Nomination Letters must be received by February 1st, 2020.
2. Letters must clearly state which award the nomination is for.
3. Nominations should be one page in length and should succinctly describe the project and itemize the beneficial outcomes. SILGA wants to share best practices in our region with the hope that every local government can learn from the winning submissions. In that regard, please provide contact information for the key individual(s) who worked on the projects/events.
4. These awards are for local governments, not individuals. Recipients must be SILGA members in good standing.
5. Nomination letters can come from anyone representing a local government, and there is no limit on the amount of nominations per community. An official resolution is not required.
6. Submissions from previous years may be reused.

**What you get if your local government wins:**

1. Your local government will be publicly recognized at the upcoming AGM.
2. A representative from your local government will have an opportunity to speak (5 minutes) to all assembled delegates about the project or event.
3. Your local government will receive a beautiful plaque to permanently display at your government office.
4. Award recipients will have their achievements highlighted more broadly through our social media channels, newsletter and via press release to the entire SILGA media network.

These awards are an opportunity for us to share best practices, to get others from local governments thinking outside the box, and to promote knowledge sharing amongst our members. It is our firm belief that our SILGA local governments continue to implement remarkable, unique projects that make their communities a better place to live time and time again. We want to make sure we share our successes as much as possible, so others might benefit.