COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2027

Are you proud of your community or region'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 well-being of our member communities and to share ideas and best practices throughout the SILGA area, the Community Excellence Awards showcase our members' innovations.

To nominate your local government, please provide a letter describing a project, event, or activity that has been facilitated your community. A winner will be chosen in each category and presented an award during our AGM. Let us know if your community or region has excelled in any of the following categories:

- **Environmental Sustainability**

For projects focused on care for the physical environment and wellbeing of human and nonhuman residents. This category includes but is not limited to: emissions reduction projects, waste management projects, educational initiatives, and conservation efforts.

- **Social Responsibility**

For projects focused on community wellbeing in the realms of physical/mental health, recreation, culture, and equity. This category includes but is not limited to: local festivals, recreation projects, and intercultural initiatives.

- **Economic Development**

For projects focused on the economic improvement of the community's local businesses, tourism, and fiscal planning. This category includes but is not limited to: tourism sector development, local business initiatives, and strategic infrastructure investments.

Submission Requirements:

Nominations must come in the form of a letter to the SILGA Executive Director. Nomination Letters must be received by February 1st, 2027.
Along with the letter, please include at least three high-quality photos depicting the project, along with a .png of your local government's logo.

1. Letters must clearly state their nomination's award category from the three listed above. Although multiple nominations can be made, each community project may only be submitted to one category.

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2. Nominations should be one page in length and should succinctly describe the project and itemize the beneficial outcomes.
3. Nominations must also provide contact information for the key individual(s) who worked on the projects/events. Ideally, please provide one elected official, one local government staff, and one community member.
4. These awards are for local governments, not individuals. Recipients must be SILGA members in good standing.
5. Nomination letters may come from anyone representing a local government, and there is no limit on the number of nominations per community. An official resolution is not required.
6. Submissions from previous years that have not yet won an award may be reused.

Winning Submissions Are Awarded:

1. Official recognition at the next SILGA AGM.
2. A beautiful plaque to permanently display at your government office.
3. A professionally edited video showcasing your community's project.
4. Achievements highlighted more broadly through our social media channels, newsletter, website, and via press release to the SILGA media network.

These awards are an opportunity for us to share best practices, to facilitate our local governments thinking outside the box, and to promote knowledge-sharing among our members. It is our firm belief that SILGA's local governments continue to implement remarkable, unique projects that make their communities better places to live. We want to make sure we share our successes so others might be inspired by the incredible initiatives in their neighbouring regions.

To view the 2026 award winners, please click here: https://silga.ca/convention/#ceas

Please email your submission, as well as any other queries, to the SILGA office at: info@silga.ca

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