

2019 Awards

Above & Beyond Award

This award recognizes staff, residents or other organizations who have played a significant role in implementing a municipality's sustainability plan and achieving the community's goals related to environmental sustainability.

Completed award nominations are to be submitted, with the subject line **Nomination for Above & Beyond Award** on or before **June 28, 2019**.

E-mail: awards@auma.ca

You will receive a confirmation of receipt within 2 business days of making a submission. If you do not receive confirmation, please contact Kelsie Collins - kcollins@auma.ca or 780-989-7417.



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The Above and Beyond Award recognizes staff, residents or other organizations who have played a significant role in implementing a municipality's sustainability plan and achieving the community's goals in a specified dimension of sustainability that rotates each year.

This year's theme is economic sustainability. The scope of the theme will encompass economic sustainability initiative relating to business investment and attraction, support for entrepreneurs and workforce development. Municipalities pursue economic sustainability through a broad range of activities including but not limited to:

- Innovative policies focus on the attraction of new industries (e.g. agricultural, life and bioscience, Internet of Things, circular economy)
- Main street revitalization
- Successfully implementation of the Business Vitality Alberta or Tourism Vitality Alberta Toolkit
- Development and implementation of economic development strategies
- Business attraction, retention, and expansion initiatives (e.g. business incubation, business counselling, industrial parks, marketing plans)
- Business-friendly governance policies (e.g. streamlining policies, reducing timelines for approvals, coordination between economic development and planning departments)
- Labour attraction and retention initiatives

Eligibility

Eligible nominees may include municipal staff, residents, and/or organizations, and may even include a committee made up of municipal officials and residents.

Nominees for the Above and Beyond Award will have gone the extra mile in one or more of the following areas:

- a. Championing the concept and principles of municipal sustainability planning within the community or municipal organization;
- b. Playing a key role in implementing a specific initiative that contributed to measurable progress of a municipality's economic sustainability.

Nominating process

A municipal Council may nominate staff, resident(s), or a community organization for the award by submitting a completed nomination form to the AUMA.

Information on Awards selection will be sent to the Nominator, who will be asked to provide contact information for the award recipient.

Type of award

The award will be a certificate, plaque or other form of suitable recognition.

Time of award

The award will be presented during the AUMA's Annual Convention taking place in Edmonton from September 25 - 27, 2019.

Award winners will be notified in late July 2019.