WTS-DC 2012 Recognition Award Nominations

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Each nomination must not exceed two pages in length.
2. The top of the first page of each nomination must state the following:
   (a) name of the award;
   (b) name, address, phone number and chapter (if applicable) of the
      nominee; and
   (c) name, address, phone number and chapter of the nominator.
3. The nomination should include a description of the nominee’s qualifications
   and special attributes for the award, especially as they relate to each of the
   award criteria. This information should be as comprehensive as possible. Full
   disclosure of the nominee’s qualifications is an important means of assuring
   that the persons voting on the awards make informed choices.
4. You may submit one nomination for each award category.
5. The deadline to submit nominations is **5:00 pm on Friday, October 26, 2012.**

Please send your nominations to:

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AWARD CRITERIA

**Member of the Year**
This award is our opportunity to acknowledge a WTS member who has made extraordinary contributions to the success of the organization. Selection will be based on the following criteria:

1. A member who has shown an extraordinary commitment to the goals and growth of WTS by working effectively in support of WTS goals. (Identify activities).
2. A member who has promoted the reputation of WTS within the transportation industry. (Include an explanation describing how and what was done.)
3. A member who has worked effectively to strengthen communication between local and national WTS levels or between chapters.
4. A member who has done an outstanding job of revitalizing or expanding a chapter or any of its functions.

**Woman of the Year**
This category is designed to reach out beyond our membership to honor a woman who is an outstanding role model in transportation. Selection of the WTS Woman of the Year shall be based on the following criteria:

1. A woman who is a leader in transportation and has made an outstanding contribution to the transportation industry.
2. A woman who has directly contributed toward the advancement of women and minorities through programs or opportunities in the transportation field.
3. A woman who through her career achievements and support of women in the industry has advanced the reputation and credibility of women in transportation.

**Employer of the Year**
This award is designed to honor businesses for the support of the goals and purpose of WTS. It is not a reward for monetary contributions. Selection of Employer of the Year shall be based on the following criteria:

1. An organization that has enhanced the transportation industry through its commitment to excellence and quality in the services it provides or products it produces.
2. An organization with an outstanding record of affirmative action in hiring and promoting at all employment levels.
3. An organization that supports continuing education of its employees through:
   - Professional education
   - Professional organizations
   - Professional development opportunities
4. An organization that encourages women students to enter the transportation field by providing internship opportunities.
5. An organization that has supported WTS.
**Diversity Leadership Award**
This award is presented to recognize an individual(s) or organization(s) that have exhibited outstanding and extraordinary efforts or initiative(s) in developing opportunities for women and minorities and has contributed significantly to promoting diversity and cultural awareness within their organization, the transportation industry or in a project or activity that supports the goals and mission of WTS. Selection shall be based on:

1. Exhibiting extraordinary efforts or initiatives in developing opportunities for women and minorities
2. Contributing significantly to promoting diversity and cultural awareness within their organization, the transportation industry, or in a project or activity that supports the goals and mission of WTS.

**Innovative Transportation Solutions Award**
This award salutes the creative work of an outstanding and innovative transportation project or service that improves the quality of life for its users and the community. Selection shall be based on the following criteria:

1. Describe an outstanding local project and specifically how the transportation element of the program has contributed to the success of the initiative.
2. Identify how the project supports one or more key community values, such as improved accessibility to key services, employment, or other opportunities.
3. Describe what obstacles, if any, were overcome to provide this service or build this project.
4. Explain how it has made a difference in the lives of its users.