



Excellence in County Government Awards

AWARD CRITERIA

2026

COUNTY OFFICIALS HALL OF HONOR

- Persons retired from any level of county government
- Made significant contribution to their county or to county government in general

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

- Current county service
- Introduction or pursuit of innovative improvements in county government
- Demonstration of substantial and consistent leadership within county government
- Improvement of relationships and/or communications among county officials, employees, the public or media
- Present or past participation in NDACo's programs and/or committees
- Active in other public service organizations – statewide or nationally

COUNTY OFFICIAL

(All elected or appointed department heads)

- Current county service
- Introduction or pursuit of innovative improvements in county government
- Demonstration of substantial and consistent leadership within county government
- Improvement of relationships and/or communications among county officials, employees, the public or media
- Present or past participation in NDACo's programs and/or committees
- Active in job-related statewide or national organizations

COUNTY EMPLOYEE

(Full-time employees of any county department)

- Current county service
- Dedication to excellent work on behalf of the county
- Demonstration of positive attitude
- Improvement of relationships and/or communications among county officials, employees, the public or media
- Active in job-related organizations or other professional training/improvement efforts

**Award Nomination
Deadline:
July 31, 2026**



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NOMINATOR INFORMATION

NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY
(Organization or Individual) _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Date nomination approved by organization _____
(Please attach copy of resolution, minutes or other proof of action.)

Name of Nominee _____

CATEGORY OF NOMINATION

- County Officials Hall of Honor County Commissioner
 County Official County Employee

“County Official” is a department head - elected or appointed by the Commission.
“Employee” is individual hired by and answering directly to a department head, not
the Commission.

“Hall of Honor” refers to any of the above who are retired at the time of nomination.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Complete and enclose this form
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 Include two or more letters of recommendation
 Postmark or deliver nomination by deadline date
Electronic versions of all documents are acceptable.

*Honoring those who have shown excellence
through dedication, leadership and involvement
“for the good of all counties.”*

Send nomination to:

NDACo EICG Awards
PO Box 877
Bismarck, ND 58502-0877

Fax to 701-425-0830 or email to ndaco@ndaco.org

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AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Nominee's Name _____

Address _____

County _____

Position _____ Years in position _____

Home Town Newspaper _____

Narrative regarding applicant's qualifications in meeting the criteria for this award:
(attach more pages and other relevant supporting materials as needed)

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