



2017

**Northeast Florida
Elected Officials
Luncheon & Regional
Awards for Excellence**

Nominations Form



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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Florida Regional Council, we are pleased to announce the Northeast Florida Elected Officials Luncheon & Regional Awards for Excellence. The Awards Program is designed to recognize Regional Excellence in a variety of critical arenas essential to positioning our Regional Community as a model of cooperation and coordination. This recognition program is anchored by the Northeast Florida Regional Council Regional Leadership Award. Nominations are due by October 13, 2017. Please feel free to pass them on to others who may have great candidates in mind.

Presentation of the awards will be made at the Elected Officials Reception and Awards Luncheon Ceremony to be held at noon on December 7, 2017, at WJCT Studios. We hope you will take the time to complete the brief nomination form to bring recognition to deserving individuals, entities, and projects that make our Regional Community a better place to call home.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or need additional information!

Sincerely,

Brian D. Teeple
Chief Executive Officer

Submittal Procedures

(note – electronic submittals are encouraged)

Submit to Sheron Forde; 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32202
or sforde@nefrc.org - subject line: Regional Awards Entry

A cover letter that states the name of the nomination, the award that is sought, the name of the recipient(s), and the name, phone number, address and email of the applicant.

- A brief summary to be used for ceremony purposes, if selected. (50 words or less)
- A brief description of how the nomination for the award meets award criteria. (250 words or less)
- An image representing the project, in Powerpoint, JPEG or PDF format.
- Additional materials (links are acceptable).

Regional Leadership Awards Call for Entries – Deadline is Oct. 13, 2017

Award recipient representatives will be presented with awards at the NEFRC Regional Leadership Awards to be held December 7, 2017, at WJCT Studios.

The Ad-Hoc Regional Leadership Awards Selection Committee reserves the right to reclassify any submittal.

2017 Northeast Florida Regional Council Regional Leadership Award Categories

- **The Northeast Florida Regional Council Regional Leadership Award:** To recognize the activities of an individual who has exhibited an unrelenting enthusiasm for regional coordination and cooperation.
- **The Regional Quality of Life Award:** To recognize the activities of individuals, entities, organizations or projects that contribute to the livability and quality of life in Northeast Florida.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Transportation:** To recognize either an individual, entity, or specific project with a primary focus on improving the quality of transportation options available to the citizens of Northeast Florida.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Public Safety:** To recognize an individual, entity, or specific project with a primary focus on improving the safety of the public or to educate the public on matters of personal, family, business, or community preparedness for disaster.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Economic Development and Tourism:** To recognize either an individual, entity, or specific project with a primary focus on stimulating the regional economy, create jobs, or to promote and enhance new or existing events, attractions, facilities, or programs which benefit the tourism industry in Northeast Florida.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Environmental Stewardship:** To recognize individuals, organizations, or specific projects with a primary focus on long-term protection, conservation and enhancement of the region's natural resources, or foster environmental stewardship in the region through demonstrated leadership or through the promotion of environmental awareness through actions or specific programs.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Affordable Housing:** To celebrate best practices and innovation in affordable home ownership. It will recognize an individual, entity, or specific accomplishment with a primary focus to improve the quality of housing, provide affordable housing, or to expand the affordable housing options.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Education:** To recognize the activities of individuals, entities, organizations or projects that contribute to the quality of education in Northeast Florida.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Planning and Growth Management:** To recognize individuals, organizations, or specific projects with a primary focus on meeting the planning and growth management needs of the communities within the Northeast Florida Region.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Culture, Historic Preservation or Adaptive Reuse:** To recognize best practices and innovation that celebrates the arts and culture of Northeast Florida, preserves and teaches about its heritage and/or reuses an old site, structure, or building for a purpose other than that which it was built or designed for in the Region. These projects or people use culture and heritage to educate, foster a sense of belonging to all generations attract economic revitalization, foster historic preservation, and promote civic exchange in communities.
- **The Regional Award for Excellence in Inclusion:** To celebrate Northeast Floridians or programs that help all residents to thrive regardless of race, gender, age or circumstance.

Evaluation Criteria

Each award entry will be judged based upon the following criteria:

Background: History or context within which the project is significant; indication of expenditure of time, type of personnel, budget, population and size of jurisdiction.

Innovativeness: Use of an original concept or refinement of an existing technique or procedure.

Effectiveness: Project/strategy impact on the subject matter.

Implementation: Project/Strategy method or application to the subject matter; adaptability to changing conditions; and consideration of and solution to practical constraints.

Comprehensiveness: Scope and consideration of project/strategy in relationship to all aspects of the subject matter.

Clarity: Clearness of the award entry.



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Which category are you applying for? Choose only one

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Affordable Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Planning and Growth Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Culture, Historic Preservation or Adaptive Reuse | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Public Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Economic Development & Tourism | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Inclusion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Award for Excellence in Environmental Stewardship | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Quality of Life Award |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Special Achievement Award |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> The Northeast Florida Regional Leadership Award |

Project Name

(Important note! If selected, name to be engraved on award)

Project Team

(Name(s), contact phone number, mailing address and e-mail)

Overview of your project in 50 words or less

(Will be used in publicity materials)

Image to represent your project - e-mail with this form to info@nefrc.org

(Photo of the nominee or the project is required (person or place). If your team has a logo available, also submit it)

Additional materials - e-mail with this form to info@nefrc.org

(up to 5, including photos, documents, videos or other files as attachments or links)



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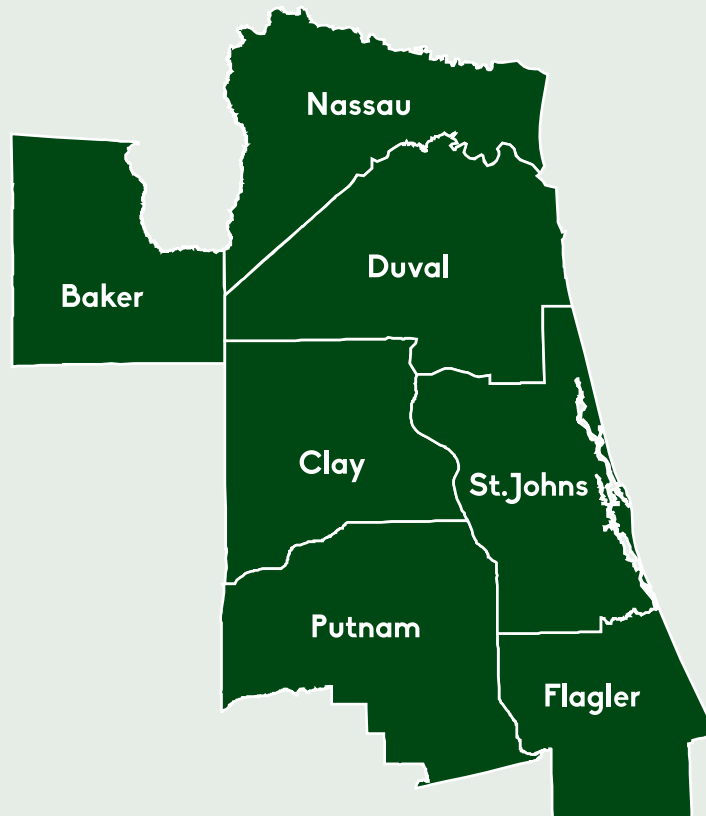
Description of how your project meets awards criteria in 250 words or less

Our Mission

To be a dynamic network of local governance, providing visionary leadership, advocacy, and coordination between counties and local, state and federal governmental agencies to preserve and enhance the quality of Northeast Florida's economic, natural, built and social environment by:

- Actively serving as a convener of regional issues
- Fostering public awareness of diverse regional issues
- Identifying trends, issues and opportunities for the Region
- Building consensus for Regional solutions through coordination and cooperation
- Providing a regionally focused forum for comprehensive and functional planning
- Furnishing technical and administrative assistance to local governments and other stakeholders, and Maintaining expertise among staff and pursuing technologies that support the successful implementation of the MISSION.

Our Region



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