

PROFESSIONAL AWARD

This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated continuous contributions to the field of parks, recreation, and/or cultural services at the local, state, regional or national level. Must be a member of APRA and NRPA, and have a minimum of **ten years'** experience in the field. **The candidate must have made recurring and valuable contributions in one or more of the following areas:**

Maximum Point Value	Criteria
20	Leadership - active and exceptional participation as an officer or committee member of APRA, the Pacific Southwest Regional Council or other organization closely related to the parks, recreation and conservation field.
15	Research - initiation or implementation of studies or analyses which advance new ideas, techniques or procedures stimulating the profession or extending its philosophy or methods of practice.
15	Job Performance - consistently outstanding performance of all aspects of assigned responsibilities and professional endeavors.
15	Education - initiation or implementation of training programs or development of training methods or materials for professional personnel which resulted in high professional standards or achieved exceptional results.
10	Other Areas - exceptional professional service of any kind that has not been expressed in the above.
15	Public Relations - outstanding contributions in furthering the aims and public image of effective parks, recreation and conservation and the profession through public speeches; participation on forum or panel groups; appearance before radio or television audiences; writing articles, manuals or books on the parks, recreation and conservation discipline; or any other manner adding to the prestige of the profession and building its acceptance by the public.
5	Provide support information relevant to the award criteria on 8 1/2 x 11- inch paper, maximum two typed pages, single spaced, 1.25 inch right/left margins, 1.00 inch top/bottom margins, 12 pt New Times Roman font. Information must be emailed to the awards chair prior to the deadline in Microsoft Word or PDF Format.
5	Up to two pages of supplemental materials (8 1/2 x 11) may be submitted; supplemental pages are defined as news articles, photos, drawings, etc. which enhance understanding of the project. All supplemental information must be submitted in PDF Format.
100 Total Points Possible	