



## Southwest Alliance for Excellence Leadership Award Eligibility | Nomination | Selection

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### Award and Recognition

The Southwest Alliance for Excellence (SWAE) Leadership Award is an annual award recognizing an individual who exemplifies outstanding leadership in the pursuit of performance excellence and has furthered performance improvement beyond the boundaries of their organization.

The Award recipient will be presented at the [Annual Southwest Alliance for Excellence \(SWAE\) Performance Excellence Program Award Banquet](#). All nominees are requested to attend the Banquet.

### Eligibility Requirements

Nominees will:

- Represent any industry and any type or size organization in Arizona, Nevada or Utah, or a division of a corporation operating in said states, residing in that state for 5 or more years
- Demonstrate leadership behaviors and results consistent with the SWAE Core Values, community involvement, corporate citizenship and economic development
- Be willing to share their leadership practices as they relate to the SWAE Core Values and Leadership Behaviors and
- Be able to attend and receive the award during the annual SWAE Performance Excellence Program Award Banquet

### Nomination Process

Nominees may be nominated by anyone; no self-nominations permitted. The Southwest Alliance for Excellence will confirm receipt of the nomination by e-mail.

Nominees do NOT need to be a member of the Southwest Alliance for Excellence.

A nomination submission includes a nomination form, a nominee's biography or curriculum vitae (no more than 3 pages), and a nomination essay.

[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE 2016  
NOMINATION FORM](#)

**Mail or e-mail the submission to the following:**

Southwest Alliance for Excellence  
3961 E. Chandler Blvd. Suite 111-334  
Phoenix, AZ 85048-0303

E-Mail: [kshepard@swae.org](mailto:kshepard@swae.org)

### Deadline

Nominations must be received by December 1, 2015, to be eligible for the 2016 SWAE Leadership Award.



### **Key Dates for the 2016 Award Cycle**

2016 Nomination Form Available	September 2015
2016 Award Nominations Submitted	by December 1, 2015
2016 top Nominees Announced	December 2015

The 2016 Award Recipient will be announced at the SWAE Performance Excellence Program Award Banquet.

**For more information, contact the Southwest Alliance for Excellence at (480) 874.5815 or [kshepard@swae.org](mailto:kshepard@swae.org).**

### **Selection Process**

The Southwest Alliance for Excellence appoints an award selection committee. Committee members may include SWAE Award recipients, SWAE Panel of Judges or Board of Overseers, SWAE Board of Directors or Members, SWAE staff members, and others recommended by SWAE.

The selection committee primarily bases its initial review on information contained within the nomination essays. During the final selection process, additional sources of information may be sought. Nominees will be vetted.

### **Nomination Essay and Selection Criteria**

#### **SOUTHWEST ALLIANCE FOR EXCELLENCE CORE VALUES:**

**Act with Integrity and Transparency**

**Add Value to Stakeholders**

**Commit to Excellence and Making a Difference**

**Execute business in a Respectful and Ethical Manner**

**Work collaboratively with a Passion for continuous improvement**

### **Additional Award Criteria**

#### **Demonstrate Leadership Behaviors and Results in relation to:**

**Community Involvement**

**Corporate Citizenship**

**Economic Development**

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## Southwest Alliance for Excellence Leadership Award 2016 Nomination Form

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### **Part I - Nomination Cover Page**

#### **Nominee**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Has this nominee resided in their state for 5 or more years? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Nominator (single point of contact)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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If more than one nominator, include each of the nominator's name, title and current organization

**Additional Nominator (if applicable)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II – Nomination Instructions**

- Attach this nomination form.
- Attach the nominee's biography or curriculum vitae as a separate document (No more than 3 pages).
- Attach a nomination essay that uses up to 1,000 words to answer the two questions below:
  1. HOW does the nominee address SWAE Core Values and other award criteria? Please provide examples.
  2. WHAT specific outcomes have been achieved?

The essay should be typed, single-sided, double-spaced, and in a 12-point font.

Please note that letters of support or links to websites will not be considered in the selection process and should not be submitted with the nomination.

**Part III – Submitting Nomination**

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