



CCI *Foundation*

CCI 2025 Awards

Nominations are now being accepted for:

- CCI Commissioner of the Year Award
 - CCI Distinguished Service Award
- CCI Freshman Commissioner of the Year Award

<p>Award Nominations Deadline October 31, 2025</p>
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CCI Foundation
Awards Nomination Committee
1120 Lincoln St, Suite 904
Denver, CO 80203

Please contact Annie Olson at 303.861.4076 or aolson@ccionline.org
for more information or for nominee information assistance.

2025 Nomination Guidelines

CCI Commissioner of the Year Award

The Commissioner of the Year Award recognizes the outstanding contributions to CCI made by a commissioner throughout the year. The award goes to a commissioner for his or her activities that were truly "above and beyond the call of duty" in 2025.

This award recognizes a commissioner who has gone beyond their county level to spend additional time in the service of our county association and, in doing so, worked for the good of all counties.

CCI Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award focuses on both quality and length of service. In determining the recipient of this award each year, the Awards Committee looks at length of service as a commissioner and their contributions to CCI over time. The award recipient has a long tenure in county government and other public service and has served on numerous CCI committees and taskforces. In addition, the recipient regularly and unselfishly devotes his or her time and energy to the "greater good" whether that is in his or her county, region or throughout the state. The commissioner receiving the CCI Distinguished Service Award is universally recognized for unselfish service and often "sets the standard" by which we can all measure our accomplishments and commitment.

CCI Freshman Commissioner of the Year Award

The Freshman Commissioner of the Year Award will be presented to a commissioner who took office in 2025. This award is intended for a new Commissioner who has confronted the challenge of his/her new responsibilities at the county and CCI in a strong, positive manner.



Annual Awards/Past Recipients

Commissioner of the Year

2024	Tamara Pogue, Summit
2023	Dan Williams, Teller
2022	Scott James, Weld
2021	Byron Pelton, Logan
2020	Jason Anderson, Saguache
2019	Thomas Davidson, Summit Barbara Kirkmeyer, Weld
2018	Ben Tisdell, Ouray
2017	Larry Don Suckla, Montezuma
2016	Rose Pugliese, Mesa Nancy Jackson Arapahoe
2015	Steve Johnson, Larimer
2014	Wendy Buxton-Andrade, Prowers
2013	John Martin, Garfield
2012	George Wilkinson, Alamosa
2011	Lynn Padgett, Ouray
2010	Hap Channell, Gunnison
2009	Cindy Domenico, Boulder
2008	Jim Ignatius, Teller
2007	Leni Walker, Park
2006	Dave Long, Weld
2005	Jeanne Nicholson, Gilpin
2004	Jo Ann Sorensen, Clear Creek
2003	Jerry Bergeman, Teller
2002	Leroy Mauch, Prowers
2001	Melanie Worley, Douglas
2000	Rick Dykstra, Kit Carson
1999	Clarke Becker, Teller
1998	Cindy Erker, Morgan
1997	Barbara Kirkmeyer, Weld

Distinguished Service Award

2024	Longinos Gonzalez Jr., El Paso
2024	Tim Corrigan, Routt
2023	Debbie Bell, Fremont Kathy Chandler-Henry, Eagle
2022	Trent Bushner, Yuma Nancy Jackson, Arapahoe
2021	Jonathan Houck, Gunnison
2020	Roger Partridge, Douglas
2019	Terry Hart, Pueblo
2018	Shawn Bolton, Rio Blanco

Distinguished Service Award, Continued

2017	John Martin, Garfield
2016	Art Goodtimes, San Miguel
2015	David Foy, Washington
2014	Kevin Karney, Otero
2013	Jack Hilbert, Douglas
2012	Doug Monger, Routt
2011	Susan Beckman, Arapahoe
2010	Bob Campbell, Teller
2009	Nancy Stahoviak, Routt
2008	Melanie Worley, Douglas
2007	Matt Heimerich, Crowley Tom Mayer, Boulder (posthumously)
2006	Dorothea Farris, Pitkin Leroy Mauch, Prowers
2005	Darius Allen, Alamosa
2004	Doralyn Genova, Mesa
2004	Robert Poirot, Clear Creek Marianna Raftopoulos, Moffat
2003	Jim Sullivan, Douglas
2002	T. Wright Dickinson, Moffat

Freshman Commissioner of the Year

2024	Jennifer O'Hearon, Rio Blanco
2021	Tamara Pogue, Summit
2019	Sue Hansen, Montrose
2017	Byron Pelton, Logan Mark Waller, El Paso
2015	David Weaver, Douglas
2013	Norm Steen, Teller
2011	Donald Rosier, Jefferson
2009	Crestina Martinez, Costilla
2007	Kathy Hartman, Jefferson
2005	Dennis Hisey, El Paso
2003	No award given
2001	Betsey Hale, Montrose
1999	Kathay Rennels, Larimer
1997	John Brackney, Arapahoe
1995	Marty Flaum, Adams
1993	Barbara Kirkmeyer, Weld

CCI 2025 AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Nominee Information

Name: _____ County: _____

Nomination for:

_____ CCI Commissioner of the Year Award

_____ CCI Distinguished Service Award

_____ CCI Freshman of the Year

Nominee Data: This information should include CCI activities such as leadership and participation in CCI committees, subcommittees, taskforces, district caucuses or the Board of Directors. It may also include leadership and participation on NACo committees and taskforces. *(This information is one of the main determining factors in the award selection.)* Also include information regarding the Commissioner's activities in his/her county and other outside organizations (use additional pages as needed).

- Leadership roles? (please indicate)

- Other statewide, local or regional roles? (please indicate)

- Other Information?

Nomination Submitted by:

Name: _____ Title: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Mail or email the completed form and additional information by October 31 to:
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