The Aim Awards Program honors communities and individuals for outstanding achievement, successful innovation and steady leadership in municipal government. The program provides Aim members the opportunity to receive well-deserved recognition for their work and also provides examples for projects and leadership in other communities.

Awards will be presented during the 2017 Aim Ideas Summit, October 10 – 12 in Evansville. Community award winners will be honored with a video presentation during the Annual Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, October 11. Individual award winners will be honored at the Presidents’ Reception on Wednesday, October 11.

A panel of former municipal officials and municipal government experts from the public and private sectors serve as judges for the awards and rate the applications on the given criteria.

ABOUT THE AWARDS

COMMUNITY AWARDS

PLACEMAKING
The Placemaking Award recognizes a project that demonstrates the positive impact of planning, regeneration, urban design or economic development work on the physical quality of a place, as well as the economic and social well-being of a community. Nominations must have a physical aspect.

MUNICIPAL INNOVATION
The Municipal Innovation Award highlights programs or projects that have been implemented and demonstrate new approaches for solving municipal challenges. Awards are presented in multiple population categories based on nominations received.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COLLABORATION
The Collaboration Award honors a cooperative effort between cities, towns, or counties for important, innovative or extraordinary cooperation. Preference is given to projects that are physical and/or measurable.

NOMINATION PROCESS
Nominations should include all of the following:

1. The official nomination form signed by an elected municipal official who is from an Aim member community in good standing. Emailed entries must be from an elected municipal official’s address.

2. A summary no longer than three pages in length.

3. No more than four digital photographs, graphics or other printed visual items.

Notes:
Please limit your supporting materials to those that best explain or summarize the program. Materials are copied and included in a packet distributed to each judge. A two page, well-written summary is better than a binder of miscellaneous project materials.

Upon reviewing all nominations, Aim reserves the ability to move a nomination into a different award category.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

RUSSELL G. LLOYD DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
This award honors an individual who has made outstanding contributions to local government. Nominated individuals should have achievements beyond the nominee’s community. Public service, personal initiative, leadership and contributions to Aim are also considered.

IVAN H. BRINEGAR MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT
The Brinegar Award is presented to an appointed municipal official with a minimum of ten years of city or town service. Nominees should display strong leadership, contributions to their community and be a role model to citizens or other municipal officials.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
The Financial Management Award recognizes a finance officer or administrator for outstanding achievements in fiscal management, financial recording and leadership in public service.

GREEN COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

Sustainable development, energy conservation programs and low impact development can all be considered part of a green program for a municipal government. Many green concepts can save a community money, while simultaneously conserving environmental resources and improving quality of life. Improved quality of life, in turn, can help support economic development goals.

This is Aim’s tenth year implementing the Green Communities Initiative with presenting sponsor Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LLC. The collective purposes of the initiative are improving awareness about green options and how to implement them; promoting municipal efforts through a peer recognition/awards program; and awarding the most aggressive green programs in each of the population categories.

Interested in learning more and submitting a survey? Go to aimindiana.org/members/events/ideas-summit.
# 2017 Aim Annual Awards Nomination Form

**CATEGORY** (Please select one.)

- Community Municipal Innovation Award
- Community Placemaking Award
- Local Government Collaboration Award
- Russell G. Lloyd Distinguished Service Award
- Ivan H. Brinegar Municipal Management Award
- Financial Management Award

**NOMINEE:** (Please type or print.)

- Name/Project
- Population (if Community Award)
- Title
- City/Town
- Phone
- Email

**NOMINATOR:** (Must be an elected municipal official and an Aim member community.)

- Name
- Title
- City/Town
- Phone
- Email
- Signature

**Submit Nominations**

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All entries must be received by **Friday, June 23, 2017**.

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