



**Date:** 30 April 2013

**To:** LAFCo Commissioners and Staff  
CALAFCO Members  
Other Interested Organizations

**From:** Matthew Beekman, Co-Chair  
Michael McGill, Co-Chair  
CALAFCO Achievement Awards Committee

**RE: 2013 CALAFCO Achievement Award Nominations**

Each year at the annual conference, CALAFCO recognizes outstanding achievements by dedicated and committed individuals from throughout the state to LAFCo, CALAFCO and LAFCo principles through the annual Achievement Awards.

Recognizing individual and organizational achievements is an important responsibility. It provides visible recognition and support to those who go above and beyond in their work to advance the principles and goals of Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg and LAFCo. We invite you to use this opportunity to nominate the people and agencies you feel deserve this important recognition.

To make a nomination, please use the following procedure:

1. Nominations may be made by an individual, a LAFCo, a CALAFCO Associate Member, or any other organization. There is no limit to the number of nominations.
2. Please use a separate form (attached) for each nomination. Nominations must be submitted with a completed nomination form. The form is your opportunity to summarize the most important points of your nomination.
3. All nomination materials must be submitted at one time and must be received by the deadline. Electronic submittals are encouraged.
4. All supporting information (e.g. reports, news articles, etc.) must be submitted with the nomination. Endorsement letters from third parties are not necessary.
5. **Nominations and supporting materials must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 9, 2013.** Send nominations via e-mail, fax, or U.S. mail to:

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Please contact Marjorie with any questions at (209) 525-7660. A list of the previous Achievement Award recipients is attached to this announcement.

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# Nomination Form

## NOMINEE

Person or Agency Being Nominated:

- Name
- Organization
- Address
- Phone/E-mail

**NOMINATION CATEGORY** (check one – see category detail on attached sheet)

- Outstanding CALAFCO Member
- Distinguished Service Award
- Most Effective Commission
- Outstanding Commissioner
- Outstanding LAFCo Professional
- Outstanding LAFCo Clerk
- Project of the Year
- Government Leadership Award
- Legislator of the Year
- Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award

## NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:

- Name:
- Address:
- Phone:
- E-mail:

## ACHIEVEMENTS

Please indicate the reasons why this person or agency deserves to be recognized (Use additional sheets as needed):

## **CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD CATEGORIES**

CALAFCO recognizes excellence within the LAFCo community by presenting the *Achievement Awards* at the CALAFCO Annual Conference. Nominations are being accepted until Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 2013, in the following categories:

<b>Outstanding CALAFCO Member</b>	Recognizes a CALAFCO Board Member or staff person who has provided exemplary service during the past year.
<b>Distinguished Service Award</b>	Given to a member of the LAFCo community to recognize long-term service by an individual.
<b>Most Effective Commission</b>	Presented to an individual Commission to recognize innovation, streamlining, and/or initiative in implementing LAFCo programs; may also be presented to multiple Commissions for joint efforts.
<b>Outstanding Commissioner</b>	Presented to an individual Commissioner for extraordinary service to his or her Commission.
<b>Outstanding LAFCo Professional</b>	Recognizes an Executive Officer, Staff Analyst, or Legal Counsel for exemplary service during the past year.
<b>Outstanding LAFCo Clerk</b>	Presented to a LAFCo Clerk for service above and beyond the call of duty.
<b>Project of the Year</b>	Recognition for a project-specific program that involved complex staff analysis, community involvement, or an outstanding solution.
<b>Government Leadership Award</b>	Presented to a decision-making body at the city, county, special district, regional or state level which has furthered good government efforts in California.
<b>Legislator of the Year</b>	Presented to a member of the California State Senate or Assembly in recognition of leadership and valued contributions in support of LAFCo goals. Selected by CALAFCO Board.
<b>Mike Gotch Courage and Innovation in Local Government Award</b>	Presented to an individual who has taken extraordinary steps to improve and innovate local government. This award is named for Mike Gotch: former Assembly Member, LAFCo Executive Officer and CALAFCO Executive Director responsible for much of the foundations of LAFCo law and CALAFCO. He is remembered as a source of great inspiration for staff and legislators from throughout the state.

## **CALAFCO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS**

### **2012**

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

Lifetime Achievement Award

**Bill Chiat**, CALAFCO Executive Director

**Marty McClelland**, Commissioner, Humboldt LAFCo

**Sonoma LAFCo**

**Stephen A. Souza**, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo and CALAFCO  
Board of Directors

**Sherwood Darington**, Monterey LAFCo

**Carole Cooper**, Sonoma LAFCo

**Gwenna MacDonald**, Lassen LAFCo

**Countywide Service Review & SOI Update**, Santa Clara  
LAFCo

**North Orange County Coalition of Cities**, Orange LAFCo

**P. Scott Browne**, Legal Counsel LAFCos

### **2011**

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

Project of the Year

Government Leadership Award

**Martin Tuttle**, Deputy Director for Planning, Caltrans

**Mike McKeever**, Executive Director, SACOG

**Carl Leverenz**, Commissioner and Chair, Butte LAFCo

**San Bernardino LAFCo**

**Keene Simonds**, Executive Officer, Napa LAFCo

**Louis R. Calcagno**, Monterey LAFCo

**June Savala**, Deputy Executive Officer, Los Angeles LAFCo

**Debbie Shubert**, Ventura LAFCo

**Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Definitions Revision**

Bob Braitman, Scott Browne, Clark Alsop, Carole Cooper, and  
George Spiliotis

**Contra Costa Sanitary District**

**Elsinore Water District and Elsinore Valley Municipal Water  
District**

### **2010**

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in  
Local Government Leadership Award

Distinguished Service Award

Most Effective Commission

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

Outstanding Commissioner

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

**Helen Thompson**, Commissioner, Yolo LAFCo

**Kathleen Rollings-McDonald**, Executive Officer, San  
Bernardino LAFCo

**Bob Braitman**, Executive Officer, Santa Barbara LAFCo

**Tulare LAFCo**

**Roger Anderson, Ph.D.**, CALAFCO Chair, Santa Cruz LAFCo

**George Lange**, Ventura LAFCo

**Harry Ehrlich**, Government Consultant, San Diego LAFCo

**Candie Fleming**, Fresno LAFCo



## 2013 Achievement Award Nominations

Project of the Year

**Butte LAFCo**

Sewer Commission - Oroville Region Municipal Service Review

Government Leadership Award

**Nipomo Community Services District and the County of San Luis Obispo**

Special Achievement

**Chris Tooker**, Sacramento LAFCo and CALAFCO Board of Directors

### 2009

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Mike Gotch Courage & Innovation in Local Government Leadership Award

**Paul Hood**, Executive Officer, San Luis Obispo LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

**William Zumwalt**, Executive Officer, Kings LAFCo

Most Effective Commission

**Napa LAFCo**

Outstanding CALAFCO Member

**Susan Vicklund Wilson**, CALAFCO Vice Chair

**Jerry Gladbach**, CALAFCO Treasurer

Outstanding Commissioner

**Larry M. Fortune**, Fresno LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

**Pat McCormick**, Santa Cruz LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

**Emmanuel Abello**, Santa Clara LAFCo

Project of the Year

**Orange LAFCo**

Boundary Report

Government Leadership Award

**Cities of Amador City, Jackson, Ione, Plymouth & Sutter Creek; Amador County; Amador Water Agency; Pine Grove CSD** – Countywide MSR Project

Legislator of the Year Award

**Assembly Member Jim Silva**

### 2008

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Distinguished Service Award

**Peter M. Detwiler**, Senate Local Government Committee Chief Consultant

Most Effective Commission

**Yuba LAFCo**

Outstanding Commissioner

**Dennis Hansberger**, San Bernardino LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

**Michael Ott**, San Diego LAFCo Executive Officer

**Martha Poyatos**, San Mateo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

**Wilda Turner**, Los Angeles LAFCo

Project of the Year

**Kings LAFCo**

City and Community District MSR and SOI Update

Government Leadership Award

**San Bernardino Board of Supervisors**

Legislator of the Year Award

**Assembly Member Anna M. Caballero**

### 2007

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member

**Kathy Long**, Board Chair, Ventura LAFCo

Distinguished Service Award

**William D. Smith**, San Diego Legal Counsel

Most Effective Commission

**Santa Clara LAFCo**

Outstanding Commissioner

**Gayle Uilkema**, Contra Costa LAFCo

Outstanding LAFCo Professional

**Joyce Crosthwaite**, Orange LAFCo Executive Officer

Outstanding LAFCo Clerk

**Debby Chamberlin**, San Bernardino LAFCo

Project of the Year

**San Bernardino LAFCo and City of Fontana**

Islands Annexation Program

Government Leadership Award

**City of Fontana**

Islands Annexation Program

Lifetime Achievement

**John T. "Jack" Knox**

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## 2013 Achievement Award Nominations

### 2006

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	<b>Everett Millais</b> , CALAFCO Executive Officer and Executive Officer of Ventura LAFCo
Distinguished Service Award	<b>Clark Alsop</b> , CALAFCO Legal Counsel
Most Effective Commission Award	<b>Alameda LAFCo</b>
Outstanding Commissioner Award	<b>Ted Grandsen</b> , Ventura LAFCo <b>Chris Tooker</b> , Sacramento LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	<b>Larry Calemine</b> , Los Angeles LAFCo Executive Officer
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	<b>Janice Bryson</b> , San Diego LAFCo <b>Marilyn Flemmer</b> , Sacramento LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	<b>Sacramento Municipal Utility District</b> Sphere of Influence Amendment and Annexation; <b>Sacramento LAFCo</b>
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	<b>Cities of Porterville, Tulare, and Visalia and Tulare LAFCo</b> Island Annexation Program
Legislator of the Year Award	<b>Senator Christine Kehoe</b>

### 2005

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	<b>Peter Herzog</b> , CALAFCO Board, Orange LAFCo
Distinguished Service Award	<b>Elizabeth Castro Kemper</b> , Yolo LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	<b>Ventura LAFCo</b>
Outstanding Commissioner Award	<b>Art Aseltine</b> , Yuba LAFCo <b>Henri Pellissier</b> , Los Angeles LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	<b>Bruce Baracco</b> , San Joaquin LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	<b>Danielle Ball</b> , Orange LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	<b>San Diego LAFCo</b> MSR of Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	<b>Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)</b>

### 2004

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	<b>Scott Harvey</b> , CALAFCO Executive Director
Distinguished Service Award	<b>Julie Howard</b> , Shasta LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	<b>San Diego LAFCo</b>
Outstanding Commissioner Award	<b>Edith Johnsen</b> , Monterey LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	<b>David Kindig</b> , Santa Cruz LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	<b>San Luis Obispo LAFCo</b> Nipomo CSD SOI Update, MSR, and EIR

### 2003

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	<b>Michael P. Ryan</b> , CALAFCO Board Member
Distinguished Service Award	<b>Henri F. Pellissier</b> , Los Angeles LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	<b>San Luis Obispo LAFCo</b>
Outstanding Commissioner Award	<b>Bob Salazar</b> , El Dorado LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	<b>Shirley Anderson</b> , San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	<b>Lori Fleck</b> , Siskiyou LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	<b>Napa LAFCo</b> Comprehensive Water Service Study
Special Achievement Award	<b>James M. Roddy</b>

## 2013 Achievement Award Nominations

### 2002

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Ken Lee, CALAFCo Legislative Committee Chair
Most Effective Commission Award	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner Award	Ed Snively, Imperial LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Paul Hood, San Luis Obispo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Danielle Ball, Orange LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	San Luis Obispo LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Napa LAFCo, Napa County Farm Bureau, Napa Valley Vintners Association, Napa Valley Housing Authority, Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office, Napa County Counsel Office, and Assembly Member Patricia Wiggins

### 2001

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	SR Jones, CALAFCO Executive Officer
Distinguished Service Award	David Martin, Tax Area Services Section, State Board of Equalization
Outstanding Commissioner Award	H. Peter Faye, Yolo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Ingrid Hansen, San Diego LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	Santa Barbara LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Livermore City Council, Pleasanton City Council
Legislator of the Year Award	Senator Jack O'Connell

### 2000

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Ron Wootton, CALAFCO Board Chair
Distinguished Service Award	Ben Williams, Commission on Local Governance for the 21st Century
Most Effective Commission Award	Yolo LAFCo
Outstanding Commissioner	Rich Gordon, San Mateo LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Professional Award	Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Susan Stahmann, El Dorado LAFCo
Project of the Year Award	San Diego LAFCo
Legislator of the Year Award	Robert Hertzberg, Assembly Member

### 1999

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Distinguished Service Award	Marilyn Ann Flemmer-Rodgers, Sacramento LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	Don Graff, Alameda LAFCo
Outstanding LAFCo Clerk Award	Dory Adams, Marin LAFCo
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Assembly Member John Longville
Legislator of the Year Award	Assembly Member Robert Hertzberg



## 2013 Achievement Award Nominations

### 1998

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Outstanding CALAFCO Member	Dana Smith, Orange LAFCo
Distinguished Service Award	Marvin Panter, Fresno LAFCo
Most Effective Commission Award	San Diego LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	George Spiliotis, Riverside LAFCo
Outstanding Staff Analysis	Joe Convery, San Diego LAFCo Joyce Crosthwaite, Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	Santa Clara County Planning Department

### 1997

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Most Effective Commission Award	Orange LAFCo
Outstanding Executive Officer Award	George Finney, Tulare LAFCo
Outstanding Staff Analysis	Annamaria Perrella, Contra Costa LAFCo
Outstanding Government Leadership Award	South County Issues Discussion Group
Most Creative Solution to a Multi-Jurisdictional Problem	Alameda LAFCo and Contra Costa LAFCo
Legislator of the Year Award	Assembly Member Tom Torlakson



Please join us for the CALAFCO Annual Conference  
August 28 - 30, 2013  
The Resort at Squaw Creek  
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