



## AWARDS SUMMARY

Each year the Society has the opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of its members and friends. We encourage you to recognize the work of your colleagues in the field by submitting a nomination on their behalf. Nominations must be received by March 31, 2015 in order to be considered. Awards will be presented at the 2015 Community Development Society (CDS) Conference in July. Please direct questions to the committee at [awards@comm-dev.org](mailto:awards@comm-dev.org).

### **Duane L. Gibson Distinguished Service Award**

*Presented to a CDS member in recognition of superior and long-standing service to the field of community development, and, in particular, work for the advancement of the Society. Current officers and Board members are not eligible for this award.*

### **Ted K. Bradshaw Outstanding Research Award**

*Presented to a CDS member in recognition of a significant stream of superior research which exemplifies and positively impacts community development practice and represents a lasting contribution to the field. The award will recognize research which reflects the Principles of Good Practice throughout the research process. Only one Outstanding Research Award may be bestowed by the Society each year.*

### **Community Development Achievement Award**

*Presented to a CDS member in recognition of his or her outstanding contribution to community development. The person may be recognized for teaching, research, programming, administration or any combination of these roles.*

### **Outstanding Program Award**

*Presented to a CDS member or a group in recognition of completion of superior programming that exemplifies and positively influences community development practice. The award will recognize a program that reflects the Principles of Good Practice throughout the implementation process.*

### **Innovative Program Award**

*Presented to a CDS member or a group in recognition of a superior innovative program using the principles of good practice as adopted by the Society.*

### **Donald W. Littrell New Professional Award**

*Presented to a CDS member in recognition of a superior contribution to the field of community development and the Society.*

### **Current Research Award**

*Presented to a CDS member in recognition of a current research project(s) or product that represents an important contribution to the field of community development.*

### **Student Recognition Award**

*Presented to a CDS member who is either an undergraduate or graduate student, in recognition of his or her contribution to community development through a paper, an article, a field project or internship, or other applied research.*

### **Friend of Community Development Award**

*Presented to a person who is not a CDS member, but who has made a significant contribution to the field of community development. This contribution could have been accomplished through his or her role as author, educator, administrator (public or private sector), community organizer, or elected or appointed official.*



## **DUANE L. GIBSON DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

This award is presented to a Community Development Society member in recognition of superior and long-standing service to the field of community development, and, in particular, work for the advancement of the Society. Current officers and Board members are not eligible for this award.

### **Eligibility:**

- Must be a current member of CDS.
- Must have at least seven years' membership in CDS.
- Not a current officer or Board member.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

### **Deadline:**

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### **Nomination Materials:**

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - Participation of the nominee in annual meetings of CDS as a presenter, convener, or organizer.
  - How and in what capacity the nominee has provided leadership for CDS; what positions or offices has the nominee held?
  - The nominee's record of accomplishment on behalf of CDS.
  - Evidence of the nominee's creativity and vision for the future direction of the Society.
3. Three letters of support from current CDS members (letter of nomination may count as one of the required letters).
4. Resume, vitae or biographical information for the nominee

### **Please submit nominations electronically to:**

Community Development Society  
Awards and Recognition Committee Chairs  
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## **TED K. BRADSHAW OUTSTANDING RESEARCH AWARD**

Presented to a Community Development Society member in recognition of a significant stream of superior research which exemplifies and positively impacts community development practice and represents a lasting contribution to the field. The award will recognize research which reflects the Principles of Good Practice throughout the research process. Only one Outstanding Research Award may be bestowed by the Society each year.

### **Eligibility:**

- Must be a member of CDS during the year of award nomination and presentation.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

### **Deadline:**

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### **Nomination Materials:**

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following criteria are addressed:
  - Provide an overview and description of the research output.
  - Demonstrate how the research is meaningful to community development practice.
  - Demonstrate a sound research methodology used in the research output.
  - Show how research adheres to the CDS Principles of Good Practice.
3. Three letters of support from current CDS members (letter of nomination may count as the required letter).
4. Resume, vitae or biographical information for the nominee.

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## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Presented to a Community Development Society member in recognition of his or her outstanding contribution to community development. The person may be recognized for teaching, research, programming, administration or any combination of these roles.

### Eligibility:

- Must be a current member of CDS.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

### Deadline:

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### Nomination Materials:

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - *Quality* – the contribution reflects a high degree of excellence in content and process.
  - *Transferability* – the contribution has applicability in other community development related circumstances.
  - *Innovativeness* – the contribution engenders originality and a refinement of a current community development principle or practice.
  - *Implementation* – the contribution holds promise or has been carried out in a community-based setting.
3. Three letters of support from current CDS members (letter of nomination may count as one of the required letters).
4. Resume, vitae or biographical information for the nominee.

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## **OUTSTANDING PROGRAM AWARD**

Presented to a Community Development Society member or a group in recognition of completion of superior programming that exemplifies and positively influences community development practice. The award will recognize a program that reflects the Principles of Good Practice throughout the implementation process.

### **Eligibility:**

Must be a current member of CDS; if the award is made to a team, at least one member of the team must be a current member of CDS. Self-nominations are acceptable.

### **Deadline:**

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### **Nomination Materials:**

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - Description or overview of the program.
  - Description of how the implementation of the program follows or applies the Principles of Good Practice.
  - Explanation of how the program is meaningful to community development practice.
3. A letter or letters of support, with at least one being signed by a CDS member (letter of nomination may count as the required letter, but if self-nomination, letter from another party is required).

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## INNOVATIVE PROGRAM AWARD

Presented to a Community Development Society member or a group in recognition of a superior innovative program using the Principles of Good Practice as adopted by the Society.

### Eligibility:

- Must be a current member of CDS; if the award is made to a team, at least one member of the team must be a current member of CDS.
- Self nominations are acceptable.

### Deadline:

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### Nomination Materials:

1. Completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - Description or overview of the program.
  - Description of how the program implementation follows or applies the Principles of Good Practice.
  - Explanation of how the program demonstrates creativity or innovation.
3. A letter or letters of support with at least one being from a CDS member (letter of nomination may count as the required letter, but if self-nomination, letter from another party is required).

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## **DONALD W. LITRELL NEW PROFESSIONAL AWARD**

Presented to a Community Development Society member in recognition of a superior contribution to the field of community development and the Society.

### **Eligibility:**

- Must be a current and active member of CDS.
- Must have been a member of CDS for at least three years, and participated in at least one annual meeting.
- Must have worked fewer than 10 years in the field of community development.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

### **Deadline:**

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### **Nomination Materials:**

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - Active participation in the Community Development Society.
  - Evidence of creativity and vision in the practice of community development and in contributions to the Society.
3. A letter or letters of support, with at least one being from a CDS member (letter of nomination may count as the required letter).
4. Resume, vitae, or biological information for the nominee.

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## **CURRENT RESEARCH AWARD**

Presented to a Community Development Society member in recognition of a current research project(s) or product that represents an important contribution to the field of community development.

The specific awards criteria are:

### **Eligibility:**

- Must be a current member of CDS. If the award is made to a team, at least one member of the team must be a current member of CDS.
- Self-nominations are acceptable.

### **Deadline:**

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### **Nomination Materials:**

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - Describe the research output or product and why it is meaningful to community development practice.
  - Demonstrate a sound research methodology used in the research output.
  - Explain how research adheres to the CDS Principles of Good Practice.
3. A letter or letters of support, with at least one being signed by a CDS member (letter of nomination may count as the required letter, but if self-nomination, letter from another party is required).

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## STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARD

Presented to a Community Development Society member who is either an undergraduate or graduate student, in recognition of his or her contribution to community development through a paper, an article, a field project or internship, or other applied research.

### Eligibility:

- Must be a current member of CDS.
- At the time of nomination, must be currently enrolled, full-time or part-time, in a community development or related curriculum.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

### Deadline:

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### Nomination Materials:

1. A completed nomination form.
2. A copy of the paper, article, applied research, or description of the field project or internship upon which the nomination is based.
3. Not more than two pages in which the following criteria are addressed:
  - Evidence of an important addition to the theory, research, and/or practice of community development.
  - A scholarly or field-based contribution that is transferable to other applied or community focused settings.
  - Demonstration of community scholarship research, and/or practice skills that emphasize the value of citizen participation as essential to effective community development.
4. A letter or letters of support with at least one letter from the student's home institution and a CDS member (this may require obtaining two letters) (letter of nomination may count as the required letter).
5. A one or two page student resume, summarizing academic and personal background and including a statement of professional goals.

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## FRIEND OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Presented to a person who is not a CDS member, but who has made a significant contribution to the field of community development. This contribution could have been accomplished through his or her role as author, educator, administrator (public or private sector), community organizer, or elected or appointed official.

### Eligibility:

- Not a current member of the Community Development Society.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

### Deadline:

Nominations must be submitted by *March 31, 2015*.

### Nomination Materials:

1. A completed nomination form.
2. Not more than two pages in which the following are addressed:
  - Explanation of how the nominee's work shows a thorough understanding of community development principles and practice.
  - Description of how the nominee's contribution has helped to draw the public's attention to the field of community development.
  - Description of how the nominee has helped to relate the field of community development to other fields of endeavor.
  - Evidence of how the nominee's contributions have shown the importance of community development principles and practice.
3. Two letters of support with at least one being from a CDS member (letter of nomination may count as one of the required letters).
4. Resume, vitae or biographical information for the nominee.

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