



ANNUAL ARIZONA DAMAGE PREVENTION & SAFETY AMBASSADOR AWARD

The Arizona 811 Damage Prevention and Safety Partnership is pleased to announce the **Annual Arizona Damage Prevention and Safety Ambassador Award**. This award was created to honor an individual who made a positive difference during the previous calendar year by exemplifying a pattern of dedication, leadership and passion for damage prevention and safety in the Arizona excavation community. The 2019 award will recognize these efforts occurring between **January 1 and December 31, 2018**. Everyone is eligible! This award is not limited to managers, safety directors or trainers, utility employees or excavators; rather, it recognizes and honors any individual in our state's underground excavation community who regularly contributes positively to preventing injuries and protecting underground facilities, regardless of job title. All applicants will be considered equally. **There are many individuals in our industry who deserve to be recognized for continually promoting the damage-prevention and safety culture. We need your assistance in bringing their hard work, dedication and ongoing commitment to our attention.**

RULES FOR SELECTION

1. Anyone may nominate an individual in Arizona for this award. However, self-nominations will not be accepted. Individual projects are not eligible, nor are usual-and-customary responses to emergencies or other incidents. However, nominations to recognize an individual's response in an *extraordinary* situation will be considered and must include the date, time and location of the incident and documentation to substantiate how the individual's response not only exceeded his or her normal job function, but also likely prevented *significant* injuries, facility damage and/or repair costs.
2. Nominations shall be submitted as a written essay not to exceed two single-spaced pages and must include:
 - The nominee's name, company or agency name, and job title;
 - The reason why he or she is being nominated, such as specific examples of how he or she regularly exceeded routine job duties to contribute to safety and damage prevention efforts during the previous calendar year; and
 - The name, company or agency name, job title and other contact information of the person submitting the nomination, including address, telephone number and email address.

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- Although not required, nominators may include documentation to substantiate the nominee's qualifications such as letters of support, other commendations or recognition, articles in a company or industry newsletter or publication or other news coverage. Often, it is this type of documentation that differentiates between the award recipient and the runner-up. Relevant photographs and video can also be provided.
3. Incomplete, illegible, or non-responsive submissions will not be considered by the Award Selection Committee, nor will nominations received after the deadline date, or those in which the nominee's contributions did not occur during the preceding calendar year.
 4. A candidate can be nominated more than once; however, the award recipient is selected based solely on his or her contributions to damage prevention and safety in the Arizona excavation community or industry vs. the number of nominations received.
 5. Only the award recipient will be honored. The identity of other nominees will remain confidential.

DEADLINE

All nominations must be received by 5 p.m. MST on the last Friday in February.

NOMINATION SUBMISSION

You may submit nominations by mail, email or fax:

- ▶ **By Mail:** Arizona 811 DPS Ambassador Award
Attn: Sandra Holmes
Arizona 811, 1405 W. Auto Drive, Tempe, AZ 85284
- ▶ **By E-Mail:** Sandra.Holmes@Arizona811.com
Subject: Arizona 811 DPS Ambassador Award
- ▶ **By Fax:** Attn: Sandra Holmes (602) 926-0458
Subject: Arizona 811 DPS Ambassador Award

If you have any questions, contact Arizona 811 at (602) 659-7503 or email Sandra.Holmes@Arizona811.com.

JUDGING

The Award Selection Committee is comprised of past and present leadership of the Arizona 811 Damage Prevention and Safety Partnership. The Committee will select the award recipient in a meeting to be held after the last Friday in February and prior to the Southern Arizona Damage Prevention and Safety Seminars in the Spring. In the event that a member of the Award Selection Committee has been nominated, he or she will be recused from the selection process. The Award Selection Committee is in no way obligated to select a recipient each year and can agree not to select a recipient if any or all nominations do not meet the minimum qualifications as described under "Rules for Selection."

AWARD PRESENTATION

The award recipient will be honored publicly during a Southern Arizona Damage Prevention and Safety Seminar in Tucson, which generally occurs during March or April, unless other arrangements are made. Specific details will be provided annually when the venue date, time and location are secured. The recipient will receive a plaque acknowledging his or her achievement, as well as special monetary recognition from Arizona 811. In addition, his or her name will be placed on a perpetual plaque on public display at the Arizona 811 Center in Tempe.

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