Greetings Mayor and Council,

Nominations for the 2019 Awards of Excellence are now open and people can submit nominations until 5 pm on April 5th. We need your help over the next several weeks to promote the awards, and encourage your network to nominate those individuals and organizations who are making Vancouver a great place to live, work and play.

To help you promote the 2019 Awards of Excellence, we are sending you the following attachments:

- Email to forward to your contacts to generate interest and encourage nominations
- Key messages
- List of past recipients
- List of pre-scripted social media posts to promote the program on Twitter and Facebook

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Paul Hendren, External Relations and Protocol at 604.673.8305 or paul.hendren@vancouver.ca.

Thanks for your help getting the word out so we can recognize the outstanding residents in our city!

Best,

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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh peoples.
1. The Awards of Excellence is a City of Vancouver awards program that recognizes outstanding civic achievements made by individuals (adults, youth and children), organizations and businesses that make Vancouver a greener, healthier, more accessible, prosperous and inclusive city.

2. Each award category can have up to 3 recipients, including one child or youth (21 years or younger), one individual, and one business or organization. The award categories are:
   - Civic Volunteer Award
   - Greenest City Leadership Award
   - Healthy City for All Award
   - Diversity and Inclusion Award
   - Accessible City Award
   - Mayor’s Achievement Award - Mayor selects the recipients in this category. No public nominations.

3. Nominations are open to anyone who lives, works, volunteers or goes to school in Vancouver, including the University Endowment Lands. Nominations are also open to organizations and businesses based in Vancouver. Nominations are not accepted for City of Vancouver employees, elected officials or self-nominations of individuals.

4. Children and youth recipients receive a $500 bursary with their Award of Excellence.

5. Nominations open online on March 4 and close on April 5, at 5 PM: www.vancouver.ca/awards-of-excellence.

6. Eligible nominations are reviewed by the Nomination Sub-Committee, which makes recommendations to Council based on the criteria below:

   **Scope:** The range of activities and breadth of influence or inspiration of the achievement
   **Achievement:** The significance of the achievement itself, with consideration given to creativity, innovation, and general significance of the activity for the individual or community
   **Impact:** The potential for fundamental and lasting positive change
   **Method:** The manner in which the activities were performed, for example, with creativity, innovation, inclusivity, consultation, and collaboration
# Past Award of Excellence Recipients

## Accessible City Award recipients

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<td>2014</td>
<td>Greg Pyc</td>
<td>The Kettle Friendship Society</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>Jeanette Andersen</td>
<td>Realwheels</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>Peggy Assinck with the Learn to Play Sledge Hockey Program</td>
<td>Centre for Accessible Post-secondary Education Resources BC (CAPER-BC)</td>
<td>Sarah Fletcher</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>Trevor Mills</td>
<td>Physical Activity Research Centre</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>Michael Blondé</td>
<td>Western Institute for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing</td>
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## Civic Volunteer Award recipients

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<td>Wendy Williams</td>
<td>Vancouver Remembrance Day Committee</td>
<td>Mabel James</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>Mary Lynn Baum</td>
<td>Members of the Citizens’ Assembly on the Grandview-Woodland Community Plan</td>
<td>Linh Diep</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>Rob Haynes</td>
<td>Vancouver Emergency Community Telecommunications Organization (VECTOR)</td>
<td>Nicole Hou</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>Lorna Gibbs</td>
<td>Brock Fahrni Volunteer Team</td>
<td>Shawna Turai</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>Lillian Howard</td>
<td>West End - Coal Harbour Community Policing Centre</td>
<td>Nushaiba Nanjiba</td>
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## Diversity and Inclusion Award recipients

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<td>Chief Dr. Robert Joseph</td>
<td>QMUNITY</td>
<td>Diego Cardona</td>
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<td>Jaime Adams</td>
<td>Vancouver Street Soccer League</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>David Ng</td>
<td>Pacific Immigrant Resources Society</td>
<td>Golsa Golestaneh</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>Zool Suleman</td>
<td>Out On Screen Film &amp; Video Society’s Out in Schools</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>David Jones</td>
<td>PACE Society</td>
<td>Shivani Mysuria</td>
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**Greenest City Leadership Award recipients**

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<td>Louise Schwarz</td>
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<td>Allen Garr</td>
<td>Vancouver-based Climate Smart Certified Businesses</td>
<td>Tesicca Truong</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>Doug Wilson</td>
<td>Trout Lake Youth Council</td>
<td>Kimberley Wong</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>Dr. Tara Moreau</td>
<td>Binners’ Project – Tides Canada</td>
<td>Alvin Chan</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>George Benson</td>
<td>London Drugs</td>
<td>Maggie Fong</td>
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**Healthy City for All Award recipients**

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<td>Ending Violence Association of BC</td>
<td>Raymond (Zi Hao) Wu</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>Maria Luz Fernandez</td>
<td>EMBERS Vancouver</td>
<td>Cecilia Bao</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>Chris Taulu</td>
<td>Megaphone</td>
<td>Jan Lim</td>
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<td>Dr. Bill MacEwan</td>
<td>Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre</td>
<td>Vivian Tsang</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>Dr. Carole Christopher</td>
<td>Local Economic Development Lab</td>
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**Mayor’s Achievement Award recipients**

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<td>Katrina Pacey</td>
<td>Khalsa Diwan Society</td>
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<td>Dr. William “Bill” McMichael</td>
<td>Guangzhou-Vancouver Friendship Society</td>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>Janine Fuller</td>
<td>Tradeworks Training Society</td>
<td>Austin Wang</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>Maxine Davis</td>
<td>Immigrant Services Society of BC</td>
<td>Jesse Costucci-Phillips</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>Vanessa Richards</td>
<td>The Overdose Prevention Society</td>
<td>Marpole Students for Modular Housing</td>
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Accessible City Award and Honourable Mention Recipients - 2011 - 2013
Jill Weiss
Paul Gauthier
Kim Calsaferri
Devon MacFarlane
Heather McCain
Bruce Gilmour
Greg Travers
Cerebral Palsy Association for British Columbia
Vancouver City Savings Credit Union (Vancity)
Computer Comfort Program at Neil Squire Society
The Cleaning Solution
Developmental Disabilities Association
Learning Disabilities Association
Canadian Barrier Free Design Inc (CBFD)
Vancouver Community College (VCC)

Diversity and Inclusion Award and Honourable Mention recipients – 1996 - 2013
Walter Brino
Joyce Lam
Sadie Kuehn
Eric Wong
Leila El-Khatib
Joy Manuel
Romi Chandra
Norma Sanchez
Sherman Siu Man Chan
Sadia Ramirez
Roz Davidson
Sukhdev Grewal
Clive Mallory
Teresa Whitehouse
Donna Spencer
Gabriel Yiu
David Diamond
YWCA Metro Vancouver
Vancouver Inter-Cultural Orchestra
The Source/La Source Newspaper
South Vancouver Neighbourhood House
Vancouver Adapted Music Society
Vancouver Moving Theatre
The Trout Lake Knitters Group
Creative Peace Network
Vancouver Native Health Society
Buddhist Compassion Relief Tzu Chi Foundation
411 Seniors Centre
John Halani
A Step Ahead Foundation
A Step Ahead Foundation
Collingwood Neighbourhood House
Carousel Theatre
Mount Saint Joseph Hospital
Early Childhood Multicultural Services
City of Vancouver Awards of Excellence – Social posts for Councillors

Generic Posts:

- Do you know someone who has made an impact on our city? Nominate them for #CoVAwards: https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7
- Honour someone with a nomination for @CityofVancouver #CoVAwards: https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7

Specific Tweets:

- @CityofVancouver #CoVAwards nom’s are now open! Nominate a friend or org that goes above and beyond: https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7
- @CityofVancouver #CoVAwards recognize impact across 5 categories. Learn more and nominate! https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7

Specific Tweet for March 29th:

- Just 1 week remains for nominations for @CityofVancouver #CoVAwards! Nominate before April 5th at 5 pm https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7

Specific Tweet for April 5th:

- Today’s the day! Nominate those who have made an impact for @CityofVancouver #CoVAwards before 5 pm today https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7

Specific Facebook Posts:

Do you know someone who has made an impact in our community? Nominate them for the City of Vancouver’s Awards of Excellence #CoVAwards. Nominations are open from today to April 5th at 5 pm! https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7

Youth recipients will receive a $500 bursary with their Award of Excellence! Nominate an impressive youth today for the City of Vancouver’s Awards of Excellence #CoVAwards, until April 5th at 5 pm: https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7

Ever wondered what categories are open for the City of Vancouver’s Awards of Excellence? #CoVAwards
- Civic Volunteer Award
- Greenest City Leadership Award
- Healthy City for All Award
- Diversity and Inclusion Award
- Accessible City Award

If you know someone who you believe qualifies for an award, please consider nominating them. Nominations are open from now until April 5th at 5 pm: https://tinyurl.com/yawjwfs7