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# **Environmental Commission Seeks Nominations for Environmental Excellence Awards**

The Loudoun County <u>Environmental Commission</u> is calling for nominations for the second annual Environmental Excellence Awards, honoring individuals, businesses, nonprofit organizations and educators for their leadership on environmental issues.

#### **Nominations**

The nominations should include a brief overview of the project or person being nominated, information on how the project or person contributed to the preservation and/or protection of Loudoun County's environment, what specific results have been achieved, whether the project is sustainable and what best practices can be learned from the initiative.

### **Award Categories**

Nominations are being accepted in six categories:

- Business
- Citizen or Community Group (Examples: Nonprofit organization, club, faith-based group, etc.)
- Educator Teacher or School employee
- Government Employee or Program/Team
- Lifetime Achievement (Individual)
- **Student** Individual or Group (For a student-initiated project)

People and projects should be nominated for activities that took place between January 2023 and February 2024, with the exception of the Lifetime Achievement award.

Nominations can be submitted through <u>this online form</u>. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2024. Winners will be notified in March with presentation of the awards scheduled for April.

More information, including a link to the nomination form, is online at <a href="loudoun.gov/EnvironmentalAwards">loudoun.gov/EnvironmentalAwards</a>.

#### **Environmental Commission**

The Loudoun County Environmental Commission was created by the Board of Supervisors in 2021 to advise the Board and make recommendations on policies and practices related to the environment, sustainability and energy strategies. Members of the commission include representation from the community, industry and higher education.

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More information about Loudoun County's efforts to increase environmental sustainability and resilience for the health, safety and welfare of Loudoun residents and businesses is available at <a href="loudoun.gov/environment">loudoun.gov/environment</a>.