

2006 Project Awards Program

Florida Chapter, American Planning Association

Florida APA is pleased to announce the opening of its 2006 Project Awards Program application cycle. This program provides FAPA the opportunity to recognize outstanding planning projects in the State of Florida at its annual conference. The program provides FAPA members with the chance to see and learn about development, conservation, government, or environmental projects, where planning has had a positive impact on the outcome. Judges will be looking for innovativeness and quality, and the potential for use in other areas.

Awards of Excellence and Merit

Eligible planning projects are those completed within the last two years in Florida. An awards application should include a copy of the planning document, a summary of the project, and responses to the awards judging criteria. Each member of the Awards Committee must receive an award application by **June 23, 2006**. Incomplete applications or those not received by each juror by the deadline **will not be considered**. Addresses for each of this year's Jurors are listed below. Space permitting, award recipients may have the opportunity to display their projects at the FAPA Annual Conference in Marco Island, September 27-30, 2006. The Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit will be presented to the recipients at the **opening morning session, Thursday, September 28, 2006**. Typically, five to six awards are presented each year. The jurors make the distinction between Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit based on scoring.

A Complete Award Package must include the Following Documents:

1. The planning document or project being submitted.
2. A brief description of the project, including the setting, time frame, significance to the planning field, innovations in theory, methodology and/or practice and other unique aspects to the application.
3. A brief discussion demonstrating how the project meets the following criteria:
 - Innovation** – Introduction of an original concept or a refinement of an existing technique or procedure.
 - Transferability** – Potential applicability in other areas of the state or to other planning projects.
 - Quality** – Excellence of analysis, writing, graphics and character of presentation.
 - Implementation** – Effectiveness of the work – i.e. proposals have been carried out or show promise of being carried out in the near future.
 - Comprehensiveness** – Planning principles have been observed, especially in considering a project's effects on other public objectives and the surrounding environment.*Responses to items 2 and 3 should total no more than four pages.*
4. Name, address, daytime telephone and FAX numbers of the person(s) to contact regarding the application: project author(s), and project client.
5. Application fee: \$50 for FAPA member/\$75 Non-member, payable to Florida APA and mailed to the Florida Chapter at 2040 Delta Way, Tallahassee, FL 32303. **Please note the project name on the check.**

A complete award package must be received by each juror no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, June 23, 2006 (**no exceptions**). Please direct any questions about the awards program to Alissa Barber Torres, Chair, Awards Committee at (407) 836-0924 or by email to Alissa.Torres@ocfl.net.

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