

2020 OUTSTANDING EXTENSION AGENT AWARD

The Outstanding Extension Agent Award is presented to a deserving individual who has exhibited excellence in leadership, initiative and impact within their community programming efforts. This successful individual will show their achievements and noteworthy performance during their tenure with Tennessee State University Extension.

ELIGIBILITY

Any full-time TSU Extension Agent who has been employed with Tennessee State University for a minimum of three years, who has not received an award under said criteria, in the last five years. The winner will receive a \$500.00 monetary award.

NOMINATION

Individuals may be nominated by any TSU Extension employee. Self-nominations are also permitted.

CRITERIA FOR THIS AWARD

- **Creative Program Delivery** 20%
 - Accomplished changes, implementation of new or creative teaching methods and/or technologies, including demonstrations, mass media efforts, field days and tours, workshops and/or short courses, web-based and distance educational strategies, etc.
- **Teamwork and Community Partnerships** 20%
 - Collaboration with stakeholders, government agencies, grassroots and non-profit organizations, etc. with the shared purpose of developing meaningful, long-term relationships, with the intended result of successful and effective programming.
- **Documented Outcomes and Impacts** 20%
 - Be able to show positive short-term leaning, medium-term action and ultimate impacts on social, economic, civic and environmental conditions.
- **Volunteer Leadership Development** 20%
 - Ability to empower, identify, train and utilize a cadre of volunteers in community Program planning, implementation and evaluation.
- **Service Excellence** 20%
 - Commitment to meeting or exceeding the expectations of your clientele

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Please include two letters of recommendation.
 - The first letter of recommendation should be from a direct supervisor or fellow county agent and include details regarding applicant's creative program delivery, teamwork and community partnerships, outcomes and impacts and volunteer leadership.
 - The second letter should originate from a client or stakeholder that the agent works with directly. This second letter will be utilized to provide detail regarding the 5th criteria of 'service excellent'.
- Plan to attend the TSU College Week awards luncheon on April 7, 2020 where you will be recognized for your accomplishments.

DEADLINE

All nominations and supporting materials should be submitted to Amy Dismukes (adismuk1@tnstate.edu) by **March 13, 2020**. Please scan said documents and email as a pdf.

NOTIFICATION

All applicants will be notified upon receipt of application and status of award.



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NOMINATION FORM

DATE: _____ 2020

NOMINEE'S NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

NOMINATED BY: _____ TITLE: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Nomination Requirements Checklist:

- Nomination form
- Two letters of recommendation
- A biographical sketch of no more than two double-spaced pages describing activities and accomplishments of the nominee
- Narrative regarding criteria should be no more than two double-spaced pages that clearly demonstrate the accomplishments in the five criteria listed
- ✓ Must be submitted to Amy Dismukes (adismuk1@tnstate.edu) by March 13, 2020
- ✓ RESERVE THE DATE: TSU College Week awards luncheon on April 7, 2020, from 11:30-2:00 pm. Please arrive at 11:00 am. All applicants invited.