



Council of State Archivists

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CoSA Awards Program Nomination Form

Check the award to which this nomination pertains (see following page for award descriptions and eligibility).

- Victoria Irons Walch Leadership Award**
- Victoria Irons Walch Emerging Leader Travel Stipend Award**
- Advocacy for Archives Award**
- Rising Star Award**

Nominee's Name _____

Organization Name _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Please include the following items in the nomination package:

- 1. Awards Program Nomination Form**
- 2. Essay** (two, typed, double-spaced pages) addressing the accomplishments and ongoing work of the nominee.
- 3. Letter of Support** from one person familiar with the nominee's work or one CoSA member.
- 4. Supporting materials** may be submitted, but are not required, and may include nominees' resume or biography, illustrations of work products and promotional materials, press releases, press clippings, or other related materials.
- 5.**

Nominated by:

Name _____ E-mail _____

Endorsed by state archivist (if applicable):

Signature _____ Print Name _____

Email one complete nomination packet as a single PDF to Barbara Teague, CoSA Executive Director:
bteague@statearchivists.org

Council of State Archivists Awards Program

The Council of State Archivists Awards Program is pleased to acknowledge institutions, individuals, and programs that have enriched and strengthened our nation's state and territorial archives. The Awards Program rewards innovative efforts and provides encouragement for the development of new and remarkable projects. By recognizing exemplary achievements, the Council of State Archivists hopes to inspire others to make similar contributions. The awards will be presented at the CoSA annual meeting.

CoSA invites you to submit nominations for the following awards:

- **Victoria Irons Walch Awards:** Named for CoSA's first executive director, these two awards acknowledge long-term and potential leadership of state and territorial archives.

The **Walch Leadership Award** recognizes the sustained leadership and outstanding contributions of an individual or institution to the development of state and territorial archives or to CoSA. Criteria include:

- creatively and effectively meeting challenges and opportunities
- demonstrating collaborative and innovative approaches
- serving its constituency in an exemplary way
- exceeding normal expectations and providing a model for others

The recipient will receive a custom-designed award.

The **Walch Emerging Leader Travel Stipend** encourages the development of an emerging leader in state and territorial archives by providing a stipend for an individual to attend the annual Council of State Archivists meeting. The recipient will receive a certificate and travel funds.

- **Advocacy for Archives Award:** This award acknowledges an individual or organization that has made significant contributions to efforts by state and local government archives to ensure the preservation and availability of the American historical record. The recipient will receive a certificate.
- **Rising Star Awards:** These awards acknowledge outstanding contributions by individual staff members or teams to their state archives and constituencies.

Nominations and Selection

Any organization or individual is invited to nominate an organization, person(s) or program(s). Nomination of oneself or one's organization is permissible and encouraged. All nominations are submitted online using the accompanying form and must include one letter of support from a CoSA member.

An Awards Committee, appointed by the President and comprised of at least one Board member and two CoSA members, will review the nominations and select the recipients.