



# Leadership Augusta Awards

The mission of Leadership Augusta is to inform and inspire existing and emerging leaders of the greater Augusta area in order to build a stronger community. Through the Leadership Augusta Awards, we celebrate Alumni who provide a role model of achievement for everyone in the communities throughout the CSRA. These Awards recognize outstanding leadership and community service.

The Leadership Augusta Awards recognize individual excellence in leadership, as demonstrated by outstanding initiative, impact of work, and inspiration of others, and significant contributions to improving the quality of life of the CSRA. This work may confront social or health problems, address environmental concerns, education, organize economic development initiatives or promote arts and humanities. The Awards will serve to distinguish an outstanding LA Alum volunteer who has made significant and ongoing contributions in the CSRA.

Due Date: Monday, April 27, 2026 by 5:00pm

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## **Award Categories:**

The Leadership Award

The Community Service Award

The Ruth B. Crawford Achievement Award

## **THE AWARD(S)**

Typically, at least two awards will be granted each year. The awards to be presented each year are the **Service Award** and the **Leadership Award**. The Ruth B. Crawford Achievement Award is granted at the discretion of the Awards Committee.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Nomination applications are received by the Leadership Augusta Board of Directors.

Information is then forwarded on to the Awards Committee for review and documenting. The Awards committee will receive the nominees, review each application, and decide on recipients. All nominators will be notified of the recipients after the Awards Ceremony. The Awards Ceremony will take place at the Celebration of Leadership Event. The current Board of Directors and Awards Committee members are not eligible to receive Leadership Awards.

## **JUDGING**

The Awards committee consisting of the current Leadership Augusta Board Chair, immediate past chair, and a selected graduate of Leadership Augusta representing each decade from the 80's, 90's, '00's and '10's. This committee selects the award winners. The Awards committee is to be chaired by the Immediate Past Chair of the LA Board of Directors, who will select the representatives on the committee. The committee will be chosen based upon their own record of achievement in civic activities and volunteer service.

## **AWARD PROCESS**

The Criteria for application submission and award selection are:

Service Award Guidelines:

- Demonstrated leadership in creating positive change and action
- Inspiring others to greater involvement
- Supporting and encouraging others
- Recognized as making a difference
- Must be a Leadership Augusta Alum

Leadership Award Guidelines:

- Demonstrated leadership in strengthening community individuals /groups to achieve long-term outcomes/benefits
- There should be an identified contribution to the community (social, economic and/or environmental)
- Demonstrated leadership by bringing together a number of groups or agencies for a shared outcome
- Must be a Leadership Augusta Alum

Ruth B. Crawford Achievement Award Guidelines:

- The Ruth B. Crawford Achievement Award is to recognize leaders whose legacy inspires others to create sustainable positive change for the community regardless of their affiliation with the organization. It is granted at the discretion of the Awards Committee, with final approval from the Leadership Augusta Board of Directors. This award is not given out every year.

#AugustaStronerTogether Award Guidelines:

- This award will be presented to a business, nonprofit and community initiative, campaign or project created specifically to alleviate the human and economic suffering in our Augusta community caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and its associated impacts.