

# Application and Nomination Guide

## 2017 Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards

The Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards recognize and honour people, projects and ideas that successfully turn the principles of sustainable development into concrete, lasting achievements. Sustainable development considers the long-term consequences of decisions and actions on the environment, the economy and human health and well-being. It balances the needs of today without sacrificing the ability of future generations to meet their needs. Sustainability is the desired goal of sustainable development.

### Award Categories

#### **Action on Climate Change, Air Quality and Energy Efficiency**

Demonstrate action and achievements such as:

- reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving air quality
- addressing climate change impacts and adaptations through innovation
- integrating innovations that improve energy efficiency

#### **Sustainability in Water and Natural Area Stewardship**

Demonstrate stewardship such as:

- enhancing or preserving watersheds and habitats for wildlife and fish
- incorporating sustainable farming and land-use practices
- advancing sustainable practices in the forest, mineral and energy sectors
- exceeding ecological restoration and reclamation requirements

#### **Sustainability in Pollution Prevention and Product Stewardship**

Demonstrate stewardship such as:

- preventing pollution at the source by avoiding or minimizing pollutants or waste production
- enhancing 4R (reduction, reuse, recover and recycle) initiatives for material management
- integrating sustainable use of resources, packaging and transportation
- incorporating designing for environment or eco-design, which examines a product's entire lifecycle

#### **Education for Sustainability**

Demonstrate action and achievement such as:

- involving public or private educational programs (kindergarten to Grade 12, post secondary, adult learning) and incorporating sustainability into policies, operations and programs
- enhancing teaching and learning of/for sustainability and the adoption of sustainability policies and practices

#### **Innovation and Research for Sustainability**

Demonstrate action and achievement such as:

- providing leadership that builds or strengthens innovation for sustainability in Manitoba
- developing major research advancements that contribute to sustainability
- implementing clean technology products and processes

#### **Champion for Sustainability**

Demonstrate action and achievement such as:

- an individual, organization or business making a notable contribution to sustainability
- advancing sustainable practices in a community or a business sector



## Conditions

- Submissions and nominations are evaluated by a panel of representatives from Manitoba Sustainable Development. The panel reserves the right to evaluate submissions in a category other than that applied in. Manitoba Sustainable Development approves all award winners.
- Applications and nominations are subject to a due diligence check. An individual or organization will not be considered if there is an outstanding environmental or health and safety order; if there is a criminal charge against them; or if there is an ongoing investigation.
- Initiatives resulting from a government order are not eligible for an award.
- The Province of Manitoba reserves the right to publicize results and achievements in press releases.
- The selection panel may declare a submission invalid if fraudulence or gross misrepresentation is suspected. Ineligible entries will be dismissed.
- All decisions of the evaluation panel and Manitoba Sustainable Development are final.
- Manitoba Sustainable Development, its evaluation panel and the Province of Manitoba do not bear any liability for entries that are lost or delayed.
- Winners may use the award logo in their own publicity by signing an agreement with the provincial government outlining the terms of use.

## Application/Nomination Process

Complete the application/nomination form and include a brief, typewritten description of the individual/collective achievement (maximum five pages). Describe how the accomplishments meet the selection criteria for the Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Award. You may attach any supporting material you wish (maximum five pages). You may include up to two letters of support from people or organizations who have observed the benefits of the individual/collective efforts.

Deadline for applications/nominations is noon, Friday, November 17, 2017.

### **Applications and nominations should be submitted by email, fax or mail to:**

Email: [mesa@gov.mb.ca](mailto:mesa@gov.mb.ca) (*Electronic submissions are encouraged.*)  
Fax: 204-945-4552  
Mail: 2017 Manitoba Excellence in Sustainability Awards  
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