

Past Award Winners



James C. Richards Memorial Award

- 2023 Carol MacInnes, Councilor, Fossil
- 2022 Pete Truax, Mayor, Forest Grove
- 2020 Brad Nanke, Councilor, Salem
- 2019 Cathy Clark, Mayor, Keizer
- 2018 John Cook, Mayor Tigard
- 2018 Loran Wiese, Councilor, Coquille
- 2016 Jerry Willey, Mayor, Hillsboro
- 2014 John McArdle, Mayor, Independence
- 2012 Phillip Houk, Mayor, Pendleton
Gary Williams, Mayor, Cottage Grove
- 2011 George Endicott, Mayor, Redmond
- 2010 Shirley Kalkhoven, Mayor, Nehalem
- 2008 Rob Drake, Mayor, Beaverton
Tom Hughes, Mayor, Hillsboro
- 2007 Jim Fairchild, Mayor, Dallas
- 2005 Helen Berg, Mayor, Corvallis
Bob McPheeters, Mayor, Tillamook
- 2004 Nancy Nathanson, Councilor, Eugene
- 2003 Lou Ogden, Mayor, Tualatin
- 2002 Chris Lassen, Councilor, Gresham
- 2000 Gwen VanDenBosch, Mayor, Dallas
- 1999 Michael Jordan, City Manager, Canby
- 1998 Bill Morrisette, Mayor, Springfield
- 1997 Di Lyn Larsen-Hill, Mayor Pro Tem,
La Grande
- 1996 Mike Lindberg, Commissioner,
Portland
- 1995 Marion Rossi, Mayor, Independence
- 1994 Charles Vars, Mayor, Corvallis
- 1993 Shirley Huffman, Mayor, Hillsboro
- 1992 Candace Bartow, Mayor, Grants Pass
Joe McLaughlin, Mayor, Pendleton
- 1991 Elvern Hall, Mayor, Newberg
- 1990 Forrest Soth, Councilor, Beaverton
Emily Schue, Councilor, Eugene
- 1989 Gerald "Lou" Hannum, Councilor,
Medford
- 1988 Jean Young, Mayor, King City
- 1987 Alan Berg, Mayor, Corvallis
Ron Bryant, City Attorney,
Sisters & Metolius
- 1986 Eldon Mills, City Manager, Hillsboro
- 1984 Jack Nelson, Mayor, Beaverton
Art Johnson, City Manager, Bend
- 1983 Dale Curry, City Manager, Astoria
- 1981 Lawrence Gray, Mayor, Hermiston

Herman Kehrli Award

- 2023 Barbara Chestler, City Recorder, Siletz
Henry Reimann, Police Chief, Forest Grove
Scott Derickson, City Administrator,
Woodburn
- 2022 Mark Reagles, City Administrator,
Rogue River
Peggy Hawker, City Recorder, Newport
- 2020 Michael Sykes, Retired City Manager,
Scappoose
- 2019 Gary Milliman, Former City Manager,
Brookings
- 2018 Glenn Klein, Retired City Attorney,
Eugene
- 2018 Jennie Messmer, Former LOC Member
Services Director
- 2017 Jason Tuck, City Manager, Happy Valley
- 2016 Jerry Taylor, City Manager, Manzanita
- 2015 Leahnette Rivers, City Administrator,
Columbia City
- 2014 Matt Winkel, City Manager, Bandon
- 2013 Erik Kvarsten, City Manager, Gresham
Randy Kugler, City Manager, Philomath
- 2012 Mary Beth Henry, Broadband Plan
Manager, Portland
- 2011 Michael McKillip, City Engineer, Tualatin
- 2010 Ric Ingham, City Manager, Veneta
Gordon Zimmerman, City
Administrator, Oakridge
- 2009 Dan Bartlett, Retired City Manager
- 2008 David Hawker, City Manager,
Lincoln City
- 2007 Sam Sasaki, City Manager,
Willamina and Gervais
- 2006 Elise Smurzynski, City
Administrator, Shady Cove
Mike Swanson, City Manager, Milwaukie
- 2005 Ed Brookshier, City Manager, Hermiston
- 2004 Jo Anne Sutherland, Retired City
Manager, Redmond
Dick Townsend, OCCMA Range
Rider; former LOC Director
- 2003 Steve Bryant, City Manager, Albany
Tim Erwert, City Manager, Hillsboro
- 2002 Jon Nelson, City Manager, Corvallis
Larry Lehman, City Manager, Pendleton
- 2001 Wes Hare, City Manager, La Grande
- 2000 Kent Taylor, City Manager, McMinnville
- 1999 Charlie Henry, City Manager, Eugene;
OCCMA Range Rider
- 1998 Mike Kelly, City Manager, Springfield
- 1997 Stan Kenyon, City Manager, Monmouth
- 1996 Roger Jordan, City Manager, Dallas
- 1995 Steve Rhodes, City Manager, Tualatin
- 1994 Jim Watson, City Manager, Coos Bay
- 1993 Brian Almquist, City Administrator,
Ashland
- 1990 Don Davis, City Manager, Newport
- 1989 William Juza, City Attorney, Salem

Mark O. Hatfield Statesmanship Award

- 2022 George Endicott, Mayor,
Redmond
- 2017 Phillip Houk, former Pendleton
mayor
- 2015 Shirley Kalkhoven, former
Nehalem mayor
- 2013 Betsy Johnson, Oregon Senator
- 2011 Greg Walden, U.S. Congress
- 2010 Ray Naff, Intergovernmental
Relations & ERT Director,
Governor's Office
- 2007 Brady Adams, former
Oregon Senator
- 2001 Cliff Trow, Oregon Senator
- 1997 Neil Goldschmidt, former
Oregon governor
- 1996 Mark Hatfield, U.S. Senator

Civic Education Award

- 2023 Stephani Hern, Parks &
Recreation Supervisor/
Community Involvement
Specialist, Happy Valley
Steve Campbell, , Community
Services and Public Safety
Director, Happy Valley
- 2020 Dr. Phil Cooper, Professor,
Portland State University
- 2019 Mark Koeppel, Officer, Philomath
Police Dept.
- 2019 Beth Wytoski, Mayor, Dayton
- 2014 Lisia Farley, West Linn-
Wilsonville School District
- 2013 Sixth Grade Teachers from
Newberg
- 2011 Todd Jones, Teacher, West
Linn High School
- 2010 Mike Clarke, Mayor, Molalla
- 2003 Raphael ("Stubby") Lyons,
Seaside City Councilor and
retired school teacher
- 2002 John Gaskill, Ontario City
Councilor and school teacher
- 1999 Mike Crocker, Philomath City
Councilor and high
school teacher
Deborah Howe and Terri Cook,
elementary school teachers,
Milwaukie