Wes McClure Award Honoring a City Manager of Distinction 2012

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An Award of the League of California Cities
City Managers' Department

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MISSION

The City Manager's Award of Distinction is being established by the League's City Managers Department in order to recognize the values and principals deemed essential to our professional conduct. This award provides an opportunity to recognize an individual's outstanding career service, leadership, ethics, expertise and innovation in the field of City Management as observed by their colleagues. The award is given to recognize those who make a difference to the profession.

This award will be given for the first time at the 2012 annual Department Meeting in February in Indian Wells.

AWARD DESCRIPTION

Wes McClure, former City Manager of San Leandro, passed away at the age of 94 on December 20, 2009.

Wes had many outstanding attributes and one of these, a skill we should all emulate, was his ability to listen. Listening skills are hard to hone and incredibly important to your stature as a leader. His patience and skill in this regard obviously contributed to his successful career in working with city councils and people in general.

His contribution to the City Management profession is substantial and continued significantly even after retiring from the City of San Leandro. Wes' contributions to the profession, the League of California Cities and the State of California were as follows:

1. Served as City Manager of the City of San Leandro for 28 years, leaving with the distinction of City Manager Emeritus.
2. Volunteered his assistance to the League of California Cities and International City Management Association; helped develop Governor Pat Brown's plan to re-organize the structure of state government.
3. Initiated the Range Riders program—a post retirement initiative offering current city managers assistance.
4. Served as Executive Director for the Alameda County Mayor's Conference.
5. Worked with the Association for Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and other regional bodies to promote excellence in government services.
6. Worked to develop the Municipal Management Assistants of Northern California (MMANC) in an effort to provide a forum and association for preparing the next generation of City Managers.
7. Advocated for the League of California Cities building project for the Sacramento League offices.
8. Worked to establish the Public Service Skills Initiative which provides temporary manpower support for cities in need of management and/or technical assistance personnel.
9. Invited the city managers and assistants to his private retreat on "Eucalyptus Island" in the Sacramento delta, for informal gatherings for managers to get together and have open discussions about any issue they wanted to discuss.
10. Played a facilitating role during the formation of the California City Management Foundation.

In light of Wes' outstanding and significant contributions to the City Manager's Department, League of California Cities, the State of California and the City Management profession, this award will be established in his honor. This award in his name should recognize an outstanding individual who has made a significant contribution to the California League of Cities, the State and the City Management profession. This award does not need to be presented on an annual basis but instead, whenever appropriate as needed to recognize outstanding individuals.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must be a City Manager, City Administrator, Chief Administrative Officer of a California City and must be nominated by a Department Area Manager Group.

CRITERIA FOR AWARD

1. Serve as a catalyst for innovation and problem solving on a broad level—more than just within the city they manage.
2. Have substantial professional volunteer work assisting the profession and local government in general.
3. Has actively promoted the profession of city management.
4. Has demonstrated innovation, creativity and strong leadership in getting things done for California Cities.
5. Frequently presents and speaks at conferences.
6. Teaches young people at the ICMA University and educational institutions.
7. Writes articles for professional journals and publications.
8. Served as an officer of a professional organization.
9. Mentored several people who became city managers.
10. Respected by his/her colleagues.
11. Initiated new programs on behalf of cities.
12. Offered counsel and assistance to managers in need.

Wes McClure was this kind of person. A memorial award honoring Wes McClure needs to have similar characteristics of true distinction.

NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED BY

Nominations for this award must be submitted by one of the City Manager Area Groups.

DEADLINE

Nominations must be submitted by **5:00 p.m., January 6, 2012** to:

League of California Cities
Attn: Meghan McKelvey
1400 K Street, 4th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 658-8253, mmckelvey@cacities.org

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APPLICATION

SUBMITTING AN AWARD ENTRY

1. Complete the below information

2. Additional information must not exceed two pages, and address the nominated individual in relation to listed criteria. Information should describe individual's leadership style, management skills and relevant achievements. The submittal should discuss how the nominee meets the criteria.

Name of Individual Nominated _____

Address _____

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Phone Number _____ Fax Number_____

Name of President of Area Group

Submitting Award Application _____

Employed by (name of City) _____

Title _____

Address _____

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Phone Number _____ Fax Number_____

Reasons for Nomination

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
Begin with most recent experience. Provide all top executive positions.

Title_____ City _____

From (mo/yr) _____ To (mo/yr) _____Time in months _____

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From (mo/yr) _____ To (mo/yr) _____Time in months _____

Reports to: _____

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From (mo/yr) _____ To (mo/yr) _____Time in months _____

Reports to: _____

EDUCATION
Begin with college degrees and include all relevant training
(i.e., MPA, special management training).

Degree/Training	Dates Attending (mo/yr – mo/yr)	Name of School

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION

List the professional affiliations of the candidate. Under "Remarks," indicate relevant participation information.

Organization	Membership Dates (mo/yr – mo/yr)	Offices Held (if any)	Remarks