General Criteria for the National Housing Hall of Fame and Exemplary Service to Home Building Award
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National Housing Hall of Fame

Mission
To recognize and honor individuals whose contributions are of national or global importance and enduring value to the housing industry. These are individuals who have made a lasting impact by providing housing for all Americans or by contributing to sound housing policies.

Criteria
Honorees will have contributed in one or more of the following ways:

- Contributions to the housing industry that have enduring value on a national or global scale.
- A contribution to the industry that is unique, original and new, such as an innovative program, product, system or technology developed for the industry — one that has influenced other industry professionals and/or enhanced housing opportunity for many Americans.
- Leadership involvement in builder associations and housing-related service at the state and local level only as it relates to having a national or global impact. Holding national office or serving on committees at the national level is not, in and of itself, sufficient reason to be considered for nomination.

Significant and enduring contributions may include, but are not limited to:

- Industry technology
- Product design
- Industry-related education
- Industry-related financing tools
- The regulatory environment affecting the industry
- Consumer protection
- Builder professionalism and the promotion of ethical standards
- Participation in state and local industry organizations as it relates to national or global impact
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Exemplary Service to Home Building

Mission
To recognize individuals for outstanding and commendable accomplishments in service to the housing industry.

Criteria
Honorees will have contributed to housing in a manner such as described below (but not limited to these examples):

- Enhancing the infrastructure and economic development of a particular community.
- Extensive leadership involvement in builder associations and housing-related service on the state, local and national levels.
- Development of such market enhancements as funding options, consumer protections and financial tools; promotion of a more positive regulatory environment; the promotion of ethical standards.
- Development of strategies and funding sources that address the need for housing affordability or workforce housing so that regulators and other groups can best address the issues of the current economic environment.
- Demonstrating proficiency in evaluating current housing market circumstances and developing appropriate solutions while effectively managing constraints.
- Efforts to promote accuracy and consistency in the home appraisal system; to remove financial obstacles to homeownership for creditworthy families; to restore a normal flow of credit for home buyers and viable projects; to provide a consistent and affordable supply of mortgage credit for single-family and multifamily housing.
- Contributions that have a broad impact on new construction and home building as well as the many businesses and services that support the housing industry.
Nominating a Candidate

The activities that an individual has done on the local and state levels are very important and are considered of the candidate. Nominees may be living or deceased but must be citizens of the United States.

Many applicants are directly involved in housing as builders and developers; however, others include attorneys, architects, educators, researchers, land and community planners, marketing experts, trade association professionals, product suppliers and government officials.

Nominations may be submitted by an NAHB member or local home builder association.

Candidates will be selected from the following categories:

- Builder/Developer
  *(Must be owner or major principal of a residential building company)*

- Government*
  *(Elected officials or others in housing related public service)*

- Housing-related Field
  *(Individuals involved in related fields such as financing, land planning, architecture, research, education and association management)*

* Congressional or other government official must be out of office for a total of five years before being nominated. If, however, there is an extraordinary or extenuating circumstance, then the five-year rule can be waived if that person is highly deserving of the award. This determination will be made at the discretion of the National Housing Center (NHC) Board of Governors.

Qualifications

The NHC Board of Governors will use the criteria listed above when considering nominees’ qualifications in determining for which award the applicant is best qualified.

Submitting Nominations: Instructions and Information

Completed nomination forms must be submitted directly to NAHB (see below). Only nominations submitted on the official nomination form will be accepted for review. Nomination forms will be reviewed for accuracy and compliance by the administrative staff of the NHC Board of Governors. Incomplete applications will be returned to the maker of the application.

Please type or print all answers and complete the nomination form in its entirety. Incomplete nomination forms (forms without all requested information) will not be forwarded to the NHC Board of Governors for consideration and will be returned.
Your completed form is the primary tool used to determine the merits of each nominee. If you wish, you may also submit supplementary information in support of a nomination (articles, speeches, letters, case studies of contributions, publications, etc.). These materials are often helpful and become part of the permanent and extensive files. However, only a completed nomination form and appropriate supplements will be sent on for judging and final selection.

Submissions for nominees to be placed into consideration for the upcoming year must be submitted 30 days prior to the Fall Leadership Meeting. Please submit the following information along with the official Nomination Form:

- Digital color “head and shoulder” photographs of the nominee
- Biographical information

The NHC Board of Governors will review each candidate’s nomination form prior to the Fall Leadership meeting and will decide which award the candidate best qualifies for and will be placed in consideration for nomination.

**Announcement of Winners**

Nominees for the Hall of Fame and recipients of the Exemplary Service to Home Building Award will be announced during the Leadership Council Meeting held in conjunction with the NAHB International Builders’ Show. Winner(s) and the nominator(s) will be notified by mail.

**Induction Ceremony and Award Recognition**

The National Housing Hall of Fame induction ceremony and the Exemplary Service in Building recognition will be held every three years during the Spring Leadership Meeting. The next ceremony will be held in 2023.

For more information or to nominate a candidate, visit [nahb.org/halloffame](http://nahb.org/halloffame) or contact:

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