Community Advancement Award

This award recognizes employers who show a commitment to safety in their communities. Organizations can self-nominate or be nominated by a community partner.

2020 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
What is the 2020 NSC Community Advancement Award?
Celebrating its fourth year in 2020, the NSC Community Advancement Award recognizes the impact employers can have on the safety of the communities in which they operate. To be considered for this award, employers must not only have an organizational commitment to health and safety, but express that commitment with programs geared toward their employees, employees’ families and to their community.

Who is eligible to be nominated?
Any organization or company with employees is eligible. As a site-specific award, each branch should have a unique submission as the parent company will not be recognized as the winner.

For example, the National Safety Council (Parent) could not win this award – However, the National Safety Council, Syracuse Office could win the Award.

Membership in the National Safety Council is not required. Membership status or investment in the National Safety Council is not shared with the review committee.

My organization received an award from the National Safety Council or another entity. Is it eligible for the NSC Community Advancement Award?
Yes. There is no consideration given to other awards during the judging process.

Is there a fee to apply?
There are no fees to apply for this award or any other individual NSC Awards.

How and when will the winner be notified?
The NSC Community Advancement Award honorees will be notified no later than May 31, 2020. The honorees will be publicly honored as part of the 2020 NSC Congress & Expo in Indianapolis.

Did you say honorees? How many winners will there be?
At this time, there is no limit to the number of winners and honorees each year. Organizations put themselves, their on-site safety programs, their ability to send safety home with their employees, and their dedication to safety in their communities against the “ideal” company profile. The National Safety Council may choose to recognize both “winners" and "honorees.”

Can I nominate a partner company?
Absolutely. It is expected that most companies applying for this award would be working in conjunction with other organizations to bring safety to the community. Nominations are welcomed from all sources. Please note: many of the award requirements will necessitate working with the nominee to gain access to their employee programs, etc.

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NOMINATION PROCESS

What is the application process?
Submissions are only accepted via an online nomination. The National Safety Council will accept submissions between October 19, 2019 and March 27, 2020 at midnight, Central time. No paper or emailed submissions will be accepted.

Once a nomination has been started, the submission can be saved and accessed repeatedly through the course of the nomination period as information is received. Please note: all nomination forms must be submitted by the deadline in order to be considered.

There are questions related to:
• The organization’s overall commitment to health and safety
• Employee and family health and safety initiatives
• The local site’s overall commitment to its community
  - Local collaborations for community engagement
    (i.e. youth sports associations, local government, etc.)
    and how safety is promoted as a part of these collaborations
  - How the local organization encourages employees and teams to get involved in community engagement activities and how they are encouraged to incorporate safety
• How the local organization communicates its safety efforts in the community and to all stakeholders

Up to four letters of support may be attached to the application.
Please access our tips for writing a successful award application or contact awards@nsc.org with questions.

Review of your submission and recommendations for improvements to your application are available prior to February 15, 2020.
Please contact awards@nsc.org for more information.