



### Application Overview

Please note: This application is a step-by-step process and requires you to pull together much information. You will want to set aside at least 30 minutes to complete it. Otherwise, your information will not be saved until the application has been fully submitted.

### **CNM: The Frist Foundation Awards of Achievement ~ Innovation in Action Award**

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- Name of Nominated Organization\*
- Organization Address\*
- Street Address
- Address Line 2
- City
- State / Province / Region
- Postal / Zip Code
- Country
- Organization Phone Number\*
- Organization Fax Number
- Nominator's Name\*
- Nominator's Title\*
- Nominator's Phone Number\*
- Nominator's Email\*
- Executive Director's Name\*
- Executive Director's Phone Number\*
- Executive Director's Email
- Web Site Address
- Year Organization Founded\*
- Mission Statement (25 words or fewer)\*

## CNM: The Frist Foundation Awards of Achievement ~ Innovation in Action Award

This award recognizes organizations that have developed new ways to carry out their missions, either on a large or small-scale -- innovations that go beyond the usual improvements in management or service delivery. This category encompasses programs that help fulfill the mission or innovations that improve the management systems through streamlining or reducing costs of operations. Applicants for this award should consider what makes their program unique and describe it with passion and creativity. An award of \$25,000 will be presented to the winner, and \$10,000 will be awarded to each of the two finalists at CNM's annual Salute to Excellence.

### Requirements of the Frist Foundation Awards of Achievement:

- Nominee must have been a 501(c)(3) for at least three years and a member of CNM providing services to residents of Middle Tennessee.
- Local chapters of national organizations may apply, provided the chapters are locally managed, have their own tax exempt status, and have full financial information available on a local basis.
- In keeping with The Frist Foundation's general funding guidelines, hospitals, nursing homes, and retirement homes are not eligible.
- Previous \$25,000 winners may not apply for a Frist award for the next three years. (For example, if the agency was a \$25,000 winner in 2014, the agency may not compete again until 2018.)
- Previous Frist award finalists may reapply, but not for the same Frist award for three years. (For example, if the agency was a Frist finalist in the innovation category in 2014, the agency is eligible to apply for the innovation award again in 2018.)
- The program or project nominated for the Innovation in Action award must have been launched no earlier than January 2013 and must have been in existence long enough to document a history and/or results.

1. Describe the service delivery or cost-streamlining program, when it started, and how it is innovative. (Limit response to 200 words) \*
2. How does the innovation permit you to further the mission of your organization and impact the lives of people you serve? Give specific examples. (Limit response to 200 words.) \*
3. Was this idea originated by your organization, by another agency, or by an entity with which you are affiliated? How can this program be replicated or adapted by other organizations? (Limit response to 100 words.) \*
4. How do you measure the performance of the new service delivery or cost-streamlining program? What have been the specific, measurable and/or observable results achieved over time? What are the projected results for the next three years? (Limit response to 200 words.) \*
5. What were the greatest management challenges you had to overcome in implementing this innovation? (Limit response to 200 words.) \*

In applying for the Salute to Excellence Awards, we have carefully read the requirements for submitting the nomination. We understand that this entry will be reviewed by award panelists to ensure all requirements are met. We also understand that the panelists will evaluate entries and *recommend* the winner and finalists to The Frist Foundation. As a part of this process, we understand we may be asked to provide additional information and may be visited by representatives of the judging panel. Furthermore, we are aware that any submissions and attachments become the property of the Center for Nonprofit Management and may be publicized as a part of promotions surrounding the Salute to Excellence Awards. \*

\* Required field