

**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.

**Piedmont Natural Gas Sustainable Practices Award**

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- Organization\*
- Name of Nominated Individual or Program\*
- 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: Piedmont Natural Gas Sustainable Practices Award

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Piedmont Natural Gas recognizes the importance of sustainability as a business approach that integrates economic, environmental, and social stewardships within a community.

**The Piedmont Natural Gas Sustainable Practices Award** will focus on the impact and contributions that local nonprofit organizations demonstrate in the Greater Nashville area. Any local nonprofit is eligible for the award regardless of their focused mission area as long as they meet *at least one of the following*:

- Being economically and financially responsible within the organization in regards to the environment and sustainability;
- Capturing the impact of reduction in waste and energy usage, the improvement of air quality, clean transportation, etc.;
- Providing education and outreach that elevates sustainability awareness within the local community through leadership and social programs.

An award of \$6,000 will be presented to the winner and \$1,500 each will be awarded to two finalists at the Center for Nonprofit Management's Salute to Excellence Awards.

#### **Requirements of the Piedmont Natural Gas Sustainable Practices Award:**

-Must be an organization that has been a 501(c)(3) for at least three years and is a member of CNM and provides significant services to the Greater Nashville area.

- Local chapters of national organizations may apply provided the chapters are locally managed and have financial information available specific to this locality.

-Winners and finalists of this award are not eligible to reapply for one year.

(For example, if the agency was a finalist in 2017, the agency is eligible to re-apply for this award in 2019.)

#### **Piedmont Natural Gas Sustainable Practices Award Application Questions:**

1. State your organization's sustainability outlook or mission. (Limit response to 200 words) \*
2. What programs has your organization created to encourage improvement and change in the environment and sustainability practices? (Limit response to 200 words) \*
3. Describe the measurable impact (i.e. quantifiable results) on reducing carbon footprint, waste, energy usage, etc. within your business practice? (Limit response to 200 words)\*
4. Describe the measurable impact (i.e. quantifiable results) on reducing carbon footprint, waste, energy usage, etc. within the community? (Limit response to 200 words) \*
5. Explain how sustainable practices are a part of your organization's strategic outlook, specifically as it relates to the triple bottom line (People, Planet, Profit) include examples that demonstrate your leadership as an agency that is financially, environmentally, and socially responsible. (Limit response to 200 words)\*
6. What are your organization's plans to continue and improve your sustainability practices? (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: 1) this entry will be reviewed by the award panelists to ensure all requirements are met; 2) a panel of independent judges will evaluate entries and choose the finalists and a winner; 3) we may be asked to provide additional information and may

be visited by representatives of the judging panel; 4) any submissions and attachments become the property of CNM and may be publicized as a part of the Salute to Excellence Awards promotions.\*