



## **Piedmont Natural Gas Sustainable Practices Award**

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 for the 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.

### **Previous Winners and Finalists:**

- Winners and finalists of this award are not eligible to reapply for one year. (For example, if the agency was a finalist in 2018, the agency is eligible to re-apply for this award in 2020.)

### **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) \*