

2025 AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Please complete this form to submit a nomination for the 2025 AROW awards.

Return to Amanda Haffele (haffelea@co.portage.wi.gov) no later than January 13, 2025.

Decisions will be made by January 31, 2025.

Nominator Information	
Name/Title	
Affiliation:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Relationship to Nominee:	

Nominee Information	
Name/Title	
Affiliation:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	

****Please check the box of the award for which you are nominating the individual.****

Professional Awards

<input type="checkbox"/>	Christy Dixon Recycler of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outstanding Achievement in Education
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction & Recycling
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction & Recycling – Professional Athlete

Student Awards

<input type="checkbox"/>	Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction and Recycling – Student
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction and Recycling – Youth Emerging Leader

Statement

Please state why this person should receive the award you have selected

Supporting Material

Include as much information about the nominee as possible; examples that may be submitted:

1. A description of how the nominee's initiatives have impacted recycling.
2. A description of the nominee's recycling vision.
3. A list of recycling goals the nominee has set or exceeded.
4. A link to the nominee's web site if applicable.
5. A list of partners, if any, and a description of how they assisted with the nominee's programs.
6. A list of teachers/advisors related to the project/activity (**required for student/youth awards only**).

Professional Award

Professional Award Criteria

- Awards will recognize a person, company or government entity for waste reduction or recycling initiatives under-taken in calendar year 2024.
- An individual/program does not need to be an AROW member, but they must be nominated by an AROW member to qualify for an award.

Award	Description	Criteria
Christy Dixon Recycler of the Year	An individual whose career demonstrates the highest professional standards in the recycling field (includes reuse and composting).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant may be from the public, private, or nonprofit sector. • If a person has already received this award, they are not eligible to receive the award a second time.
Outstanding Achievement in Education	An individual or group that has excelled in environmental education, specifically related to solid waste and recycling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant may be from the public, private, or nonprofit sector.
Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction & Recycling	An individual or group that has excelled with waste reduction and recycling within their program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant may be from the public, private, or nonprofit sector.
Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction & Recycling – Professional Athlete	A professional athlete or team that has excelled with waste reduction and recycling within their program or “on the field.”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A professional athlete or team.

Student Award

Student Award Criteria

- Award will recognize a student of higher education. Graduates must be nominated within one year of graduation date.
- Activities must have occurred during current academic career. Current academic career refers to the active consecutive years in higher education. Examples: 1) If you are a senior and you worked on a project during the summer after your sophomore year, this would be eligible. 2) If you did a project in your junior year and then took a few years off of school and then returned and are completing your degree this is now your current academic career and that project would not be eligible.

Award	Description	Criteria
Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction and Recycling – Student	An individual that has excelled with their overall activities, or a specific project, supporting waste reduction, sustainability, recycling, and/or organics management.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must be a student of higher education or recent graduate.
Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Achievement in Waste Reduction and Recycling – Youth Emerging Leader	A youth that has excelled with their overall activities, or a specific project, supporting waste reduction, sustainability, recycling, and/or organics management.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Award will recognize a K-12 student. • Activities must have occurred within the last 18 months. • Student Teacher/Advisor(s) to the project must be listed • Nominator does not have to be an AROW member