



DISTRICT  
DEPARTMENT  
OF THE  
ENVIRONMENT



## **2012 Mayor's Sustainability Awards**

**Application Deadline: April 13, 2012**

**Awards Ceremony: May 31, 2012**

*Who in our community is building a greener, more sustainable future?  
Nominate a business, school, organization or individual!*

The Mayor's 2012 Sustainability Awards will recognize outstanding individuals, businesses, schools, institutions, and organizations for their environmental leadership and contributions to the Mayor's vision that the District becomes the greenest, healthiest, and most livable city in the nation.

Your application should be no more than three (3) written pages describing environmental projects and programs which may support the topic areas of the Mayor's Sustainability Plan -- built environment, climate, energy, food, nature, transportation, waste, water, and the green economy. Other suggested topics include energy and water conservation, pollution prevention or reduction, resource conservation, low impact development, storm water management practices, green building construction and operation, sustainability initiatives, innovative technology, "green" products or services, recycling/composting, environmental leadership, environmental education, and employee commitment. Please include details such as cost savings, reduction in air emissions, energy or water savings, pounds of pollution reduced, trees planted, or other environmental and community benefits.

Nominees may include programs of a national scope that also have real, tangible impacts here in the District of Columbia.

### **Instructions**

#### **Eligibility**

- The nominee must reside or have a physical presence in the District of Columbia (for corporations, institutions, or organizations, the headquarters may be located outside the District).
- The nominee must be in compliance with all District of Columbia regulations (a compliance check of existing records will be conducted on a facility applying for an award).

- All winners must agree to allow a summary of their award application to be published on the District of Columbia's website.

### **How to Apply**

- Visit [ddoe.dc.gov](http://ddoe.dc.gov) to download and complete the cover sheet.
- Submit the completed cover sheet with the award application. The award application should be no more than three (3) typed pages describing how the nominee strives for environmental excellence and demonstrates environmental leadership in the community.
- You may include photos within your 3-page application.
- Entries will be scored on the following criteria: environmental impact and benefits (50 points), social and community impact (30 points), level of commitment by senior management, employees, or an individual (20 points).
- There is no charge to apply.

NOTE: This is not a writing contest, but a review of environmental projects, practices, and leadership. Applicants may call DDOE with questions at (202) 535-1939.

The summaries and case studies on DDOE's website are a part of an on-line library of best environmental practices in the District. Award winners will have the opportunity to review, comment on, and approve the summary of their applications before they are posted to the website.

**Submit your Application before [April 13, 2012](#) to:**

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Thank you for applying!