



2024 PLANNING AWARDS

Promoting Planning Excellence in Saskatchewan

The SPPI recognizes and honours outstanding contributions in the planning profession of members across Saskatchewan and celebrates their commitment to excellence, professionalism and volunteer contributions. Awards are adjudicated annually and distributed at the SPPI Annual General Meeting every year. See below for categories and nomination process.

Community Volunteer Award

For members who give considerable personal time to their community

To qualify for this award the following criteria must be met:

- An SPPI Full Member in good standing; and
- Displayed significant amount of time volunteering in Saskatchewan.
- Displays a pattern of volunteering and playing a leadership role within a volunteer capacity
- Contributes to the quality of life in the community, upholding professional conduct and ethics expected of professional planners.



Fraser-Gatrell Memorial Award

To qualify for this award the following criteria must be met:

- SPPI member in good standing who also demonstrates exemplary professional conduct
- RPP accreditation for 15+ years
- Major achievement[s] with a significant impact[s] to the profession, or the practice of planning, in one or more of the following areas:
- Planning practice: including, but not limited to, development plans, redevelopment projects, regional plans, policy plans and other projects where the planning process has been exercised
- Public participation, including, but not limited to, community service, education, SPPI/CIP committee/task force work, dispute resolution and other related work involving the enhancement of planning from a public perspective

Nominations must include a cover letter, up to two pages, signed by at least 2 RPP members of SPPI in good standing that includes:

- a description of the individual's major achievement[s] arising from:
- long time service and contribution to the Planning Profession
- specific work related achievement[s] in planning
- leadership in public participation, outreach, or education that enhanced the public's understanding of the planning profession and the value of planning.

Fraser-Gatrell Citizen's Planning Award

To qualify for this award the following criteria must be met:

- Not be a member of SPPI
- meets citizen needs in a way that enhances quality of life; or
- meets the planning objectives of the rural or urban municipality or planning region; or
- the learning and experience of planners in a way that enhances the capacity of members of the profession and the practice of planning.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations must include a cover letter, up to two pages, signed by at least 2 RPP members of SPPI in good standing that includes:

- a short description of the initiative or project
- the role of the nominee
- a description of how the project or initiative promotes the principles of good planning, or has enhanced the planning profession and the value to the neighbourhood, community, region or province.

EXCELLENCE IN PLANNING

The purpose of this award is to recognize the excellence of professional planning work undertaken by SPPI members in communities and regions across Saskatchewan in one of three categories:

<u>CATEGORY 1</u>	<u>CATEGORY 2</u>	<u>CATEGORY 3</u>
Excellence in Planning Research & Innovation	Excellence in Planning Policy	Excellence in Planning Practice [urban and Rural]

To qualify for this award the following criteria must be met:

- Submission must represent a completed plan, design, policy or research study [project].
- Project must have been prepared by, or under the direction of an RPP or Candidate member in good standing with SPPI.
- Project must have been completed during the preceding two years and must have been:
 - sanctioned by a board, council, planning department, educational institution, or recognized planning firm; or
 - implemented through physical construction; or
 - published by a recognized publisher or public agency.
- No project may be submitted to more than one category.
- Nominating organizations and individuals may be associated with award submissions for multiple projects.

Projects or initiatives may include:

- Physical plans and designs such as property or building specific plans with strong design elements, and neighbourhood concept plans.
- Comprehensive Plans, such as OCPs, policy, economic development, environmental, social, transportation or environmental management plans.
- Planning legislation, regulation, or policy.
- Studies or reports, published documents and audio--visual materials relating to any field of planning.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations for the Excellence in Planning Award must include a cover letter signed by at least 2 RPP members of SPPI in good standing that includes:

- category of the submission
- name of project or initiative with names of SPPI member[s] involved

- summary of project or initiative, describing the merits of the entry, including how it meets the criteria
- a letter of support from the board, council, planning department, educational institution, planning firm or client supporting the submission
- any relevant documents in pdf form that explain, detail or illustrate the project
- any additional letters of endorsement [not mandatory]

All awards nominations must be submitted by email to info@sppi.ca with the completed nomination form and supporting documentation.

Submission package should be clearly identified/organized into appropriate files or folders with:

- Completed Nomination Form
- Project Documentation [relevant report, plan or research publications]
- Supporting Materials [other display materials, newsletters, presentation materials, images, etc.]

