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STATE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DAY!



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Dear Fellow Public Servants,

On behalf of the State of New Jersey, I am delighted to congratulate all New Jersey Public Servants on this auspicious occasion, in honor of the celebration for State Employee Recognition Awards Day. I applaud your commitment to not only getting the job done but exceeding all expectations even during this COVID-19 pandemic our nation is facing.

Although this year has brought many changes for our great State, you have not only embraced the new experiences but have continued to achieve great accomplishments which have not gone unnoticed and therefore are being recognized in this program today.

Again, congratulations to all the awardees and please accept my best wishes for a memorable time of celebration and much success in the years going forward.

New Jersey State Government workers, keep up the good work!

My very best,


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In honor of the State Employee Recognition Day Ceremony, as Chair/CEO of the Civil Service Commission, I want to thank all New Jersey State employees for a job well done and to congratulate those employees nominated for this year's Governor's Awards.



We at the Civil Service Commission want to convey our sincere appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and resilience our public employees have given to the State of New Jersey, especially in light of the significant challenges they have faced over the last several months due to COVID-19. Although we have all had to make some changes in how we operate daily, maintaining the effective delivery of public services and programs has remained our focus. For that I say thank you to everyone.

I extend a special shout out to our award nominees. Although we are unable to have a public awards ceremony this year, we want to take this opportunity to recognize you with this commemorative program book. You will also receive a Certificate of Award signed by Governor Murphy memorializing your Governor's Award.

Receiving the Governor's Award is a huge accomplishment and you should be proud of this recognition. Each nomination category exemplifies what it takes to be an outstanding public servant. You are receiving an award today because you have gone above and beyond your normal duties, and your efforts have not gone unnoticed. I am confident that this is not a chance occurrence or surprising piece of luck but rather the product of your commitment to excellence and serving the residents of New Jersey. I look forward to seeing the great things you will continue to do for our State.

It is important to note that this year's celebration would not have been possible without the coordinated efforts of the State department and agency Human Resources Officers who joined in to help recognize their employee's significant contributions. I thank them for their time and participation and look forward to our continued partnership.

Thanks again to our award nominees, Human Resources Officers and all public employees in the State of New Jersey for the great job you have done.

Warmest Regards,

Deirdre L. Webster Cobb

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STATE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DAY 2020 GOVERNOR'S AWARDS



COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD - Recognizes an employee who has made outstanding contributions to the communities in which they live or to the State through organizational activities outside of the workplace.

2020 Award Winners:

Michael	Whalen	Department of Community Affairs
Deb	Christensen	Department of Transportation
Rich	Christensen	Department of Transportation
Tom	Bizzoco	Department of Transportation
Pete	Hando	Department of Transportation
Hayford	Jarpa	DMAVA

GOVERNOR'S TEAM OF EXCELLENCE – Recognizes an employee who has demonstrated a commitment to public service by leading by example and helping the Governor meet his mission to make New Jersey a fairer and stronger place to live and work.

2020 Award Winners:

Kelly	Mooij	Board of Public Utilities
Sun	Kim	Civil Service Commission
Paul	Wang	Civil Service Commission
Daniel	Balestreri	Civil Service Commission
Leonid	Kofman	Civil Service Commission
Walter	Lukasewycz	Civil Service Commission
Gene	Bark	Civil Service Commission
Mike	Kuzinets	Civil Service Commission
Li	Xu	Civil Service Commission
Scott	Hancock	Civil Service Commission
Jieming	Wu	Civil Service Commission
Inderjit	Singh	Civil Service Commission
David	Sun	Civil Service Commission
William	Manning	Civil Service Commission
Robert	Milutin	Civil Service Commission
Robert	Wolinsky	Civil Service Commission

Edwin	Virella	Civil Service Commission
Nick	Kanellis	Civil Service Commission
Stephanie	Riley	Civil Service Commission
Luis	Armas	Civil Service Commission
Krishana	Doyle	Civil Service Commission
Michell	Edwards	Department of Community Affairs
Robin	Fenderson	Department of Community Affairs
Lina	Rivera	Department of Community Affairs
Damaris	Santos-Heredia	Department of Community Affairs
Gloria	Post, Ph.D., DABT	Department of Environmental Protection
Donald	Newman	Department of State
Rosanne	Fairbanks	Department of Transportation
Kelly	Hutchinson	Department of Transportation
Noelia	Rodriguez	Department of Transportation
Jocelyn	Juralewicz	Department of Transportation
Larell	Bryant	Department of Transportation
Rich	Taylor	Department of Transportation
Ally	Pollard	Department of Transportation
Lisa	Zook	Department of Transportation
Harriet	McGee	Department of Transportation
Dana	Davies	Department of Transportation
Adam	Grimanis	Department of Transportation
Merle	Kapule-Lauriano, RN	DMAVA
Edward	DeVecchis, RN	DMAVA
Edwin	Custodia, LPN	DMAVA
Edenise	Garcia, LPN	DMAVA
Priscilla	Akuamoah-Hagan, LPN	DMAVA
Lynisha	Chisholm, CNA	DMAVA
Theresa	Costroff, CNA	DMAVA
Maribel	Dizon, CNA	DMAVA
Heather	Jarvis, CNA	DMAVA
Michelle	Taylor, CNA	DMAVA
Amanda	Cole, RSW	DMAVA
Breanna	Knox, RSW	DMAVA
Nenita	Leyva, RSW	DMAVA
Andrea	Lloyd, RSW	DMAVA
Joanna	Quinones, RSW	DMAVA
Cherrese	Boyd-Williams	NJ Tax Amnesty Team
Lauren	Bradley	NJ Tax Amnesty Team
Timothy	Jeffrey	NJ Tax Amnesty Team
Megan	Torres	NJ Tax Amnesty Team
Kevin	Arruzzo	NJ Tax Amnesty Team
Hester	Agudosi	Office of Diversity & Inclusion
DPP	Distribution and Support Services Team	Treasury Div. of Purchase and Property

HEROISM AWARD – Recognizes an employee who was selfless and successful at saving someone who was in a life-threatening situation. One who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to NJ Citizens.

2020 Award Winners:

Maria	Lively	Casino Control Commission
Peggy	Suhr	Casino Control Commission
Andrew	Onder	Department of Children and Families
Alexis	Cirasuolo	Department of Children and Families
Paul	Illge	Department of Transportation
Geraldo	Castillo	Department of Transportation
Idell	Ramirez	Department of the Treasury

INNOVATION AND EFFICIENCY AWARD – Recognizes an employee who has demonstrated a willingness to identify and implement business processes that make services more accessible to our clients, link budget decisions and program priorities more closely with program performance to achieve cost savings, generate revenue enhancements, implement more efficient methods of service delivery.

2020 Award Winners:

Tina	Notaro	Board of Public Utilities
Robert	Varghese	Casino Control Commission
Brett	Williams	Casino Control Commission
Dominique	Norwood	Civil Service Commission
Joseph	Forte	Civil Service Commission
Timothy	Ennis	Department of Agriculture
Samuel	McKnight	Department of Community Affairs
Kinney	Clark	Department of Environmental Protection
Jack	Longworth	Department of Transportation
John	Miller	Department of Transportation
Gerald	Oliveto	Department of Transportation
Georgio	Mavrakis	Department of Transportation
Lisa A	Williams	DMAVA
Amy	Martin	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Andrew	Pratt	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Allison	Shepard	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Jay	LaPage	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Rich	Ehrmann	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Eric	Sanders	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Terri	Burd	NJ Health Insurance Market Preservation Act
Jill	Butler	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Thomas	Cislo	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Thomas	Dorman	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Tanya	Fischer	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group

Lauren	Higgins	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Timothy	Jeffrey	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Lisa	Joyce	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Alan	Kline	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Joe	Lin	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Myron	Mandicz	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Terry	McWilliams	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
John	Ristoro	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Andrew	Staltari	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group
Audrey	Tyndall	The Corporation Business Tax Working Group

LEADERSHIP/PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT – Recognizes an employee who has established a higher standard of work performance by example; demonstrated leadership qualities when presented with challenging assignments; voluntarily used their knowledge and skills to promote work-related development of other employees; contributed to building employee moral; improved work processes, procedures; encouraged initiative and forward thinking; has successfully established new and outstanding methods, practices, plans or designs resulting in cost savings, revenue generation, and/or workplace efficiencies.

2020 AWARD WINNERS:

Richard	Lambert	Board of Public Utilities
Philip	Eggert	Casino Control Commission
Steven	Kahn	Civil Service Commission
Glenn	Fleischer	Department of Agriculture
Anissa	Ainbender	Department of Children and Families
Greg	Laskowski	Department of Community Affairs
Lt. Steven	Sutton	Department of Environmental Protection
Dawn	Schilling	Department of State
Suzanne	Tomlinson	Department of Transportation
Antoinette L.	Thompson	DMAVA
Thomas	Harris	Office of Administrative Law
Arsali	Ali	Office of State Comptroller
Dennis	Shilling	Taxation

Congratulations!

