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2020 Friend of Housing / Sevy Lifetime Achievement Award Nomination Process & Form

Nomination Deadline: Friday, August 21, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

Award Categories

- **Margaret Sevy Lifetime Achievement Award** – Honoring individuals who over the course of their career have shown remarkable and sustained leadership and made an impactful contribution to affordable housing in Washington State.
- **Friend of Housing Award – NEW for 2020:**
 - **Emerging Leader** – Honoring individuals new to the housing industry (under 3 years) whose leadership in their organization or community has resulted in demonstrable improvements or achievements.
 - **Racial Equity Initiative** – Honoring initiatives that address, in a demonstrably effective way, systemic racism in the housing industry.
 - **Empowering Housing Residents** – Honoring initiatives or programs (multifamily or single-family) that are resident-led or that have resulted in residents becoming engaged and active in improving their community.
 - **Homeownership Equity** – Honoring those who have purposely reached out to and worked with homebuyers from underserved communities and communities of color, resulting in increased homeownership for these groups.
 - **Community Crisis Response** – Honoring individuals, organizations or initiatives in the affordable housing field that have shown extraordinary leadership in responding to a community crisis, such as disaster, pandemic, accident, major defunding, or other such unexpected event.
 - **Housing Intersection** – Honoring those who work outside the affordable-housing field and whose work has positively impacted affordable housing production, management, resident well-being, etc.
 - **Unsung Hero** – Honoring someone who may not occupy a position high in profile or leadership, but whose efforts behind the scenes have had a far-reaching impact.

Evaluation Criteria:

- **Active commitment in the previous 12 months**
- **Innovation, leadership, creativity, and/or partnership that goes above and beyond the nominee's job duties;**
- **Specific examples, quantified results, and other details that show the nominee's impact.**

To Submit Your Nomination:

- Fill in the form below, describing with details, examples and results the nominee's achievements in the chosen category in up to 1,000 words.
- You may add up to five pages of additional materials such as articles, photos, etc. that support your nomination. Links to online sources are encouraged.
- If possible, combine your written responses and any accompanying materials into one PDF file. (Nominations submitted in other forms will still be accepted.)
- Email your completed nomination to vanessa.thomas@wshfc.org.
- Nominations **must be received by August 21, 2020, at 5 p.m.**

NOTES:

- Awardees will be chosen through a competitive selection process. Please do not rely on the selection committee's familiarity with the nominee.
- The Commission may not give an award in every category.
- Awards will be announced in October 2020 as part of the virtual Housing Washington conference.

Questions? Contact Vanessa Thomas at vanessa.thomas@wshfc.org or Margret Graham at margret.graham@wshfc.org.

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Nomination Category:
(check only one box below)

Sevy Lifetime Achievement Award

Friend of Housing Award:

(see above for category description)

Emerging Leader

Racial Equity Initiative

Empowering Housing Residents

Homeownership Equity

Community Crisis Response

Housing Intersection

Unsung Hero

1. Nominee:

Individual or organization: <i>(Sevy Award is only open to individuals)</i>			
Phone:		Email:	
Relevant website(s):			

2. Nominated by:

Name:			
Phone:		Email:	

3. Links and additional materials:

Below, you are welcome to include links to online materials that would be helpful to the selection committee. You can also attach up to five pages of articles or other materials.

4. Nominee Achievements:

Please describe, with details, examples and results, the nominee's achievements in the category chosen above. Remember that the selection process is competitive. *Text box expands to any length—write or paste in at least several paragraphs, up to 1,000 words.*