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TO: Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs)

Procurement and Contracting Officers (PCOs)

State Contracting Advisory Network (SCAN) Members

Small Business/DVBE Advocates

Small Business Advisory Council Members

DVBE Advisory Council Members

RE: 21st ANNUAL STATE AGENCY RECOGNITION AWARDS (SARA)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!

The Department of General Services' (DGS) 21st annual SARA recognizes state departments, advocates, and leaders whose innovative and technology-driven work and dedication supported the Governor's commitment to meet or exceed the 25 percent (25%) Small Business and three percent (3%) Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise contracting goals for fiscal year 2019-20. Several awards are given based on nominations. The purpose of this bulletin is to explain how to submit nominations for your department, advocate, or leader.

How to submit your nominations:

Nomination submission is done through SurveyMonkey using the links below. Review the nominations on SurveyMonkey, collect the necessary information, and prepare your answers to the nomination questions on a separate document. When you have written your responses, submit your nomination using the appropriate link below.

21st SARA nominations

- Agency of the Year Award
- Advocate of the Year Award
- Angel Carrera Leadership Award

Deadline for nominations:

Nominations are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2020.

SARA Ceremony

In order to celebrate while socially distanced, DGS will not host an in-person award ceremony. Instead, we will record the presentation of the awards and distribute for your viewing pleasure. A follow up broadcast will be released in early 2021 announcing the SARA launch date.

For questions regarding this notification, please contact DGSSARA@dgs.ca.gov.