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BRITISH COLUMBIA WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

Welcome to the BCWLE Annual Recognition Program

Please review the following important information prior to submission of nominee. The information should help ensure that your nomination is complete and contains all required information.

Nominations will be open between November 1, 2026 and closes midnight PST on January 31, 2027.
No extensions will be granted for award submissions.

AWARD CRITERIA:

1. Leadership

   To be awarded to an individual (female peace officer or civilian professional) who distinguishes herself by demonstrating a continuing long- term commitment to leadership, using exceptional personal skills, leading teams and team building, developing others, organizational skills and administration that has an outstanding positive impact within her agency or area of responsibility.

2. Mentoring & Coaching

   To be awarded to an individual (female peace officer or civilian professional) who distinguishes herself by her support, assistance, and development of women in law enforcement by focusing on their career aspirations, their ongoing personal development and/or producing training programs or policies which enhance the role of women in law enforcement.

3. Ally

   To be awarded to an individual (peace officer or civilian professional), who advocates for and significantly contributes to a culture of equity, diversity ad inclusion in law enforcement. This individual openly promotes EDI and is committed to the advancement of women in law enforcement.

4. Community Service

   To be awarded to an individual (female peace officer or civilian professional) or group, who demonstrates exemplary actions to improve public safety, reduce crime and criminal behaviour, reduce anti-social behaviour or foster better relationships between law enforcement and the community.

RULES:

1. Nominees in law enforcement who have met the criteria while serving in British Columbia may be nominated for an award.

2. Nominees may be entered for only one award at a time.

3. Describe the nominee's observed behavior as compared to the criteria for the category selected. It is important to be detailed, clear and concise in addressing the criteria for each category.

4. The evidence must be timely. The completion of the evidence must be within the last three years.

5. If the nominee meets the criteria for another nomination category, other than the one being nominated for, the award will not be interchanged.

6. There is an opportunity to provide supporting documentation illustrating this observed behavior, such as awards, letters of appreciation/commendation, performance appraisals, etc. However, this is limited to two supporting documents and four pages total.

7. Nominations must include information concerning any pending legal proceedings arising from any mentioned incident. In such cases, the nominations may be deferred until the legal proceedings are concluded.

8. Include a short 200-word biography on the nominee, and a recent color photograph, if available.

9. There shall only be one recipient for each award except where there is a joint recipient for the same evidence.

10. Unsuccessful nominations cannot be resubmitted in subsequent years unless new and or different evidence is brought to light.

11. All nominations, supporting documents, photos and photos from the awards event will become property of BCWLE and will be subject to media usage.

12. The nominations must be completed electronically and forwarded to the Chair of the Awards Committee at awards@bcwle.ca by January 31, 2027.

13. The BCWLE President will notify the award recipients via telephone or email. Awards will be presented at the BCWLE annual training conference.

14. Those chosen are invited to attend the conference. Please note that the nominee or their organization will be responsible to pay all associated costs for travel, accommodation and transportation to attend the conference. Neither the BCWLE nor the conference host organization will cover the related costs to attend.

15. If the successful nominee elects to attend in person, the BCWLE will pay the conference registration fee for the recipient and a one-year BCWLE membership.

16. All award recipients will have their nominations and photo forwarded to the International Association of Women Police (IAWP) Awards Program for consideration in their awards process for the same year.