

Monmouth County Planning Board: Planning Merit Award Program 2021

Planning Merit Award Overview

Established in 1984, The Monmouth County Planning Board's Planning Merit Award Program recognizes those plans, projects, programs, individuals, municipalities, business, community leaders, and stakeholder organizations that have made a significant contribution to the advancement of planning and planning outcomes in Monmouth County. The purpose of the Planning Merit Award is not only to recognize and honor exceptional examples of planning in Monmouth County, but to inspire others to pursue the same level of planning achievement and excellence. The Monmouth County Planning Board invites and encourages anyone to submit what they believe to be an outstanding nomination for consideration in the 2021 Planning Merit Award Program.

Application

Submission

Applications must be submitted by email:
planning@co.monmouth.nj.us or regular mail:

1 East Main Street
Hall of Records Annex, 2nd Floor
Freehold, NJ 07728

**If mailed, please submit five (5) copies*

Deadline

The deadline for recipient of completed entries and all accompanying materials as described in this flyer is the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on **Friday October 1, 2021**

Nomination Application & Materials

The Nomination Application consists of the Nomination Category and Sponsor; Proposal's Description, Principals, Professionals, and Key Stakeholders; Evaluation Criteria; Attachments; Supplemental Information; and Maintenance / Stewardship Plan. The application can be found on the [Monmouth County Division of Planning Homepage](#)

Nomination Categories

Eligible nomination categories include but are not limited to: (one main category & multiple corresponding subcategories)

Community & Culture:

- Cultural & Heritage Preservation
- Education & Public Outreach
- Enhance Community Character
- Placemaking
- Public, Private & Non-Profit Partnerships
- Public Service in planning
- Recreation
- Stakeholder Cooperation & Coordination

Development & Redevelopment:

- Adaptive Reuse & Redevelopment
- Economic Development
- Historic Preservation

Eligibility Requirements

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual or organization
- All applications must include all the information and materials outlined in the Nomination Applications and Materials Section of this flyer and be received by the application deadline
- Projects, plans and programs must be located in Monmouth County and must have been completed or fully implemented between September 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021
- Nominations may be subject to an onsite inspection if deemed necessary by the Planning Merit Award Committee

Notification of Award

Award recipients will be notified prior to the award presentations at the Monmouth County Planning Board December 2021 meeting.

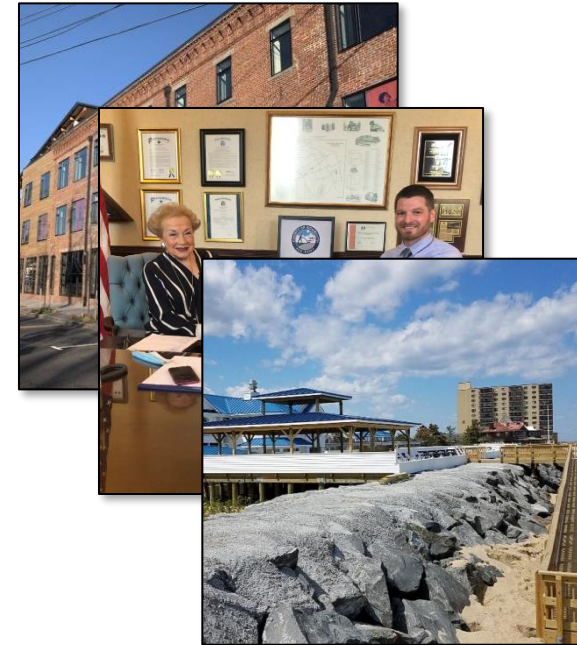
- Housing
- Transportation Services & Projects

Environment, Resiliency & Sustainability:

- Best Management Practices
- Environmental Conservation
- Environmental Restoration
- Resiliency
- Sustainability

Plans, Publications & Web-Based Services:

- Intergovernmental Cooperation
- Planning Innovation
- Planning Publications & Media
- Plans/ Ordinances/ Design Standards



2020 Award Recipients: Seawall Reconstruction, Sea Bright & Monmouth Beach, Monmouth County 4-H's "It's Not Fair!" Virtual Event, The Anderson Building

Evaluation Criteria

The Planning Merit Award Committee will review the submitted nominations and make recommendations to the Monmouth County Planning Board based on the following Evaluation Criteria:

- Advancement of the Goals, Principles, and Objectives of the Monmouth County Master Plan 2016
- Outstanding planning achievements and outcomes in one or more Nomination Categories
- Demonstration of imaginative planning, creative solutions to planning problems, implementation of innovative, or sustainable design concepts
- Demonstrates leadership in achieving planning results

For additional information, please contact the Monmouth County Division of Planning:
planning@co.monmouth.nj.us or 732.431.7460