

National Champion of Local Governmental Public Health Award



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The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) **National Champion of Local Governmental Public Health Award** is an annual award that gives recognition to an individual or individuals at a Local Health Department (LHD) or public health agency/organization for outstanding, significant, and innovative accomplishments/achievements that promote the visibility, importance, and recognition of local governmental public health or NACCHO at the national level.

The recipient(s) of this award will have demonstrated the following achievements:

- Significant activities and accomplishments to the field of local public health.
- Demonstrated service to the advancement and impact to local public health.
- Commitment, skill, and effort demonstrated on behalf of local public health.

NACCHO offers this award to inspire and motivate those in local governmental public health to act nationally in a similar vein and promote recognition of such efforts. Past recipients have included local health officials, an entire health department, and a Member of Congress for their outstanding service to the field.

How to Apply:

To submit your nomination for this award, please complete this three-page PDF application and email a copy, with any additional supportive materials, to membership@naccho.org.

The 2026 application period is open from Monday, December 15, 2025, to Thursday, January 22, 2026.

The deadline to submit is Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 11:59 PM EST.

The award recipient will be selected in the spring and recognized at the 2026 NACCHO360 conference, July 14-17 in Louisville, KY.

Eligibility & Submission Requirements

- There is no application fee.
- Applications must be made by an individual or individuals at an LHD, public health agency/organization, or State Association of County and City Health Officials (SACCHO).
- Applications can be for an individual, multiple individuals/teams, agencies, health departments, or organizations - working in local governmental public health.
- This award is not intended for individual advocacy or career achievements but for accomplishments and achievements tied to specific projects or efforts worthy of national visibility.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: membership@naccho.org | 877.533.1320

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1) First, tell us about you:

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Credentials:	
Job Title:	
Organization Name:	
Street Address:	
City:	
State:	
Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

2) Now, tell us about the person/agency you are nominating:

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Credentials:	
Job Title:	
Organization Name:	
Street Address:	
City:	
State:	
Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

3) Limit your responses to the three prompts below to no more than 1,000 total words (excluding attachments).

What is your relationship with the person you are nominating?

Description of service to public health (please emphasize impact of activities/projects and relevance to the national local public health agenda):

Description of professional experience:

4) Please attach any supporting documents to your application via email.