



**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
2020 LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO
19th ANNUAL PUBLIC HEALTH CHAMPION AWARDS
NOMINATION CRITERIA**



The County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) is proud to announce the *Live Well San Diego* 19th Annual Public Health Champion Awards. This honor recognizes extraordinary achievements, by an individual and organization, in areas of public health service that protect and promote the health of the local population. The awards were created to recognize the role of public/private collaboration in advancing optimal health and wellness in the county's diverse populations.

In addition to the individual and organization awards, a theme award is presented. This year's theme award will recognize achievements related to the 2020 National Public Health Week theme: **"NPHW @25: Looking Back, Moving Forward."** Visit the [National Public Health Week website](#) for a full description of the daily themes. They embody the vision of *Live Well San Diego* and the County's strategic mission. These daily themes include the following:

- Mental Health
- Maternal/Child Health
- Violence Prevention
- Environmental Health
- Education
- Healthy Housing
- Economics

National Public Health Week, with the theme Creating the Healthiest Nation: For Science. For Action. For Health, is April 6-12, 2020. The *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Awards Ceremony is the County's annual signature event for [National Public Health Week](#). The awards ceremony is scheduled for **Friday, April 10, 2020, from 2 pm to 4 pm**, at the County Administration Center located at 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101, in Room 310. Award recipients will be individually recognized, and each recipient's name will be added to a permanent plaque located in the HHSA Health Services Complex lobby.

Live Well San Diego Public Health Champions Award Ceremony is a program of *Live Well San Diego*, a long-term vision for improving the health and wellness of all San Diegans.

General Criteria for Nominees

Candidates for the *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Award may be individuals (community leaders/representatives), or organizations (from the private and/or government sectors) and must:

- Live and work in San Diego County;
- Exemplify exceptional achievement, longstanding excellence, outstanding leadership, and have made contributions that have advanced the community's health; and
- Demonstrate achievements in protecting and promoting the health of the San Diego County population (minimum of 10 years).

Prior nominees, who were not award recipients, are again eligible for nomination. Previous award recipients are not eligible ([click here](#) to view previous awardees).

Award Categories

Awards are given to candidates in the following four categories:

1. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Award – Theme: “NPHW @25: Looking Back, Moving Forward.”
2. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Award – Individual
3. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Award – Organization
4. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Awards – Regional (one award given in each of the six HHSA regions and Aging and Independence Services)

**Note: HHSA employees are not eligible to receive the Live Well San Diego Public Health Champions Awards*

Specific Award Criteria for Nominees

All nominees/organizations are required to have a minimum of 10 years of experience in public health.

1. *Live Well San Diego* 19th Annual Public Health Champion Award – Theme: “NPHW @25: Looking Back, Moving Forward.”

This award will honor an individual or organization that has demonstrated outstanding contributions in the area related to the theme of the annual National Public Health Week. The 2020 Theme award recipient should exemplify achievements in public health that have promoted prevention and good health and created a ripple effect throughout San Diego County communities.

The following award categories do not have to be related to the National Public Health Week theme:

2. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Award – INDIVIDUAL

This award honors an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the prevention of disease, or injury and/or the promotion of health, in the San Diego County communities. Nominees may be professional/non-professional, community leaders, representatives, or volunteers for example: educators, health professionals (e.g., doctors, nurses), administrators, journalists, lawyers, or community organizers.

3. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Award – ORGANIZATION

This award honors a community organization that has made outstanding contributions to the prevention of disease, or injury and/or the promotion of health, in the San Diego communities. Nominees may be public, private or not-for-profit and represent education, social welfare, journalism, medicine, law, a community organization or other appropriate entity.

4. *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Awards – REGIONAL and AGING & INDEPENDENCE SERVICES
Nominations are submitted by the Directors of Regional Operations of the six HHSA Regions and the Aging and Independence Services (AIS) Department.

These awards acknowledge individuals or organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the prevention of disease, injury and/or the promotion of health in their targeted areas. These awards are restricted to individuals or organizations that have a working relationship with one of the six HHSA regions and AIS. One r from each region and AIS will be selected.

The nomination form and award criteria are available on the HHSA Website. The link is as follows:

https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/public_health_champion_awards.html

The forms are also available from Public Health Services by contacting Lilly Najera at 619-692-8412 or Lilly.Najera@sdcounty.ca.gov and from regional HHSA offices.

Thank you for your support in recognizing our local public health champions!