

Impact Awards 2021

Through this nominations process, the Community Indicators Consortium seeks to recognize excellence in the field of community indicators by identifying projects that use the power of indicators to drive change or individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the field.

In keeping with the theme of our [2021 Impact Summit, Community Indicators for Change: Responding, Rebuilding, and Advancing Equity](#), we are particularly interested in projects or leaders who have used or are using data in innovative or interesting ways to create change for the future.

Eligibility:

All CIC members are eligible. Eligible projects are those in which the nominated organization plays a coordinating role or in which their research is an integral component of the project or activity. Ongoing programs or projects started within the last 24 months are eligible.

Award Categories:

- **Impact Award: Community Project:** CIC seeks to recognize projects that are grounded in, and supported by, the community and use data to analyze, communicate community conditions, engage the public and policy makers to catalyze action for making measurable and sustainable improvements in quality of community life
- **Impact Award: Legacy Project:** Recognizing that change takes time and requires a long-term commitment to place and people, CIC will recognize projects that have undertaken a long, shared evolution in their communities with a history of engagement and accomplishments. Projects need to have been in continuous existence for at least 15 years and still be in a strong position to catalyze change.
- **Hall of Heroes:** leaders who have developed or used tools or methods that help translate data into action to make significant, long-term impact on the indicators field and the improvement of community conditions and well-being
- **Community Leaders:** Leaders who have demonstrated extraordinary contribution to the indicators field with cutting-edge approaches to engaging their community and/or translating data into action for the purpose of improving their community's conditions and well-being.

Award Application:

Applicants should submit a summary that describes the project's goals and objectives and highlights its innovative nature; alternative formats including videos, websites, and interactive dashboards are encouraged to accompany the narrative.

Selection Process:

The CIC nominating committee will review all proposals. The panel will select winners in each category and an overall award for an innovative project. CIC reserves the right to assign a nomination to a different category. CIC also reserves the right to not select a winner in all categories.

Application Process:

Applicants should [submit their nomination in the online tool](#) by October 1, 2021.

Awards Presentation:

CIC will present the awards throughout the Annual CIC Impact Summit held virtually November 1 - 4, 2021. Award winners should prepare to make a brief webinar presentation about their winning project to the membership after the conference.