

ASSOCIATION OF SUMMER VILLAGES OF ALBERTA POLICY MANUAL

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Preamble

The Alberta Summer Villages Association (ASVA) Life Membership Award is a province wide initiative that recognizes the achievements of individuals who symbolize the very best in our sector of communities.

The intent of this program is not only to honor achievement, excellence, creativity and innovation by individuals, but also to reinforce the critical role people play in community wellbeing and quality of life linked directly to our summer village communities

The Life Membership award is open to all members and showcases and celebrates best practices, and draws attention to individuals and communities that have strived for constant improvement in their communities and ultimately for all of our summer villages

Policy

Recipients are those who have contributed to healthier and more active communities by utilizing and applying an understanding of community commitments and development strategies. This can be demonstrated through practice, innovation, stewardship, leadership and/or outstanding service at a local municipal level and/or on a provincial level.

Nomination Process:

The nomination should be accompanied by a written resume of services and achievements supported by three summer villages councilors. These should be forwarded to the Executive Director of the ASVA on or before **August 31** of any year to be considered for presentation at the annual fall convention. An electronic submission is acceptable.

The submission will be reviewed by the Board of the ASVA who will render a decision on or before the September Board meeting in that year. If the nomination is not supported, the nominators will be notified. If the nomination is supported, the recipient and the nominators will be notified. The recipient will be invited to that year's annual convention, free of charge, where an official presentation will be held.

Included with the award is a recognition plaque, an annual invitation without any registration fees, to all future ASVA Conventions, and the recipient's name inscribed on the honor roll of all Life Members. The honor roll will be recognized and presented at each annual convention.

Honorary Life Member can be any rate payer of a summer villages who:

- a) has served as Mayor, Councilor or CAO for the summer village
- b) has served as a member of the Executive of the ASVA, or
- c) has rendered other noteworthy services to a summer village or to the Association

who may be elected as an honorary life member of the Society on a motion of a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors.