

# HOUSING IOWA CONFERENCE 2023



SEPT. 6-8  
DOUBLETREE  
CEDAR RAPIDS

## 2023 HOUSING IOWA AWARDS

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The Iowa Finance Authority is proud to announce the sixteenth annual HousingIowa Awards. This awards program recognizes outstanding leadership and innovation across all spectrums of affordable housing in Iowa.

The award winners will be announced at the 2023 HousingIowa Conference on the morning of Sept. 6 at the Cedar Rapids DoubleTree.

**You are welcome to nominate yourself or your organization's projects or initiatives.** Please submit only one entry per category and the same entry cannot be submitted in more than one category.

### Awards categories

- 1) Kay Anderson Friend of Iowa Award
- 2) Legislative Friend of Housing Award
- 3) HousingIowa Awards
  - Multifamily Housing Development
  - Single-Family Housing Development
  - Special Needs Housing Development (Homelessness, housing for the elderly, housing for persons with disabilities, etc.)
  - Innovation (Best of affordable housing design, collaborations, resources leveraged or other unique solutions that help meet an Iowa affordable housing need.)

### Entries

Please send one completed application as a pdf file for each entry(s) by the deadline of **Monday, May 22, 2023** to [housingiowaconf@iowafinance.com](mailto:housingiowaconf@iowafinance.com). Applicants must receive confirmation of nomination to confirm the nomination was received.

### Judging

An independent panel of judges will review each entry and select the winner in each category.

### Deadline & Notification

Award nominations must be received before the deadline of end of day **Monday, May 22, 2023**. Nominations received after this date will not be considered. Successful nominators will be notified on or before June 3, 2023.

### Questions

Ashley Jared, 515.452.0474 or [housingiowaconf@iowafinance.com](mailto:housingiowaconf@iowafinance.com).

# KAY ANDERSON FRIEND OF IOWA AWARD

The Kay Anderson Friend of Iowa Award recognizes an individual who goes above and beyond to improve the lives of those around them and in their community.

In March of 2008, the state of Iowa lost a great friend and exceptional community development advocate with the untimely passing of Kay Anderson. A resident of LeMars and long-time member of the IFA Board of Directors, Kay is remembered for her kindness to others and unwavering commitment to the success of programs that help to improve the lives of Iowans.

The Kay Anderson Friend of Iowa Award has rightfully gained a prestigious reputation as a favorite at the HousingIowa Conference. Past award winners have truly encompassed Kay's outstanding qualities and awesome record of service. An independent panel of judges will determine the award winner based on the criteria shown below.

## PART I

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### Nominator

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## PART II

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Please provide a typed narrative that addresses the following criteria. The narrative may be single spaced, but may not exceed two pages in length.

The nominee:

- Is a role model who exemplifies qualities of leadership and passion;
- Is a volunteer for national, state or local events/organizations;
- Makes improving the lives of Iowans an integral part of his/her daily work.

# LEGISLATIVE FRIEND OF HOUSING AWARD

The Legislative Friend of Housing Award recognizes an individual based on their contributions to advancing the affordable housing industry in Iowa through legislation or lobbying efforts.

Eligible nominees are those who have performed exceptional service and made significant contributions of time and effort in furthering affordable housing in Iowa. An independent panel of judges will review and score each application based on the criteria listed below.

## PART I

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### Nominator

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## PART II

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Please provide a typed narrative that addresses the following criteria. The narrative may be single spaced, but may not exceed two pages in length.

The nominee:

- Is a role model who has actively participated in committees or working groups involving affordable housing legislation;
- Has developed strong grass roots initiatives that further the affordable housing industry;
- Makes improving the lives of Iowans through affordable housing an integral part of his/her legislative work.

# HOUSINGIOWA AWARDS

The HousingIowa Awards recognize outstanding programs or projects based on their contributions to advancing the affordable housing industry in Iowa in three categories. Eligible projects may represent new construction, rehabilitation or a new housing program/initiative.

## Eligible nominations

Eligible projects must be placed in service between July 1, 2021 and July 1, 2023. Eligible programs must have been instituted between the same dates. Past award winners are ineligible to enter in the same category. Please submit only one entry per category and the same entry cannot be submitted in more than one category.

## Judging

An independent panel of judges will review and score each application based on the criteria listed below.

Please mark the category in which you are making a nomination.

- Multifamily Housing Development
- Single-Family Housing Development
- Special Needs Housing Development (Homelessness, housing for the elderly, housing for persons with disabilities, etc.)
- Innovation (Best of affordable housing design, collaborations, resources leveraged or other unique solutions that help meet an Iowa affordable housing need.)

## PART I – Contact Information

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### Nominator

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## PART II – Narrative

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Please provide a typed narrative that addresses the following criteria. The narrative may be single spaced, but may not exceed two pages in length.

- Are innovative and replicable
- Responds to an important state housing need
- Demonstrates measurable benefits to targeted population
- Demonstrates effective use of resources
- Achieves measurable results
- ***Provides specific examples of how housing was the start for at least one beneficiary of the initiative, ie; how the housing project provided a ripple effect for economic achievement, health or educational outcomes or other achievements. Judges will be looking for personal stories of real people assisted that make the story come to life.***

### **PART III – Supporting Materials**

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Nominators may provide a maximum of 6 pieces of supporting material. This may include photos, newspaper articles, brochures, promotional materials, etc.

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