



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2020 CSDA AWARD WINNERS

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A big congratulations to all this year's CSDA Annual Award winners! Individuals and districts both received awards acknowledging their achievements in various areas including exceptional public outreach, leadership, and innovations! Winning submissions from each category are as follows:

**Exceptional Public Outreach & Advocacy Award (Large District Category):** Conejo Recreation & Park District for its *Connecting the Community Through Unprecedented Times*

**Exceptional Public Outreach & Advocacy Award (Small District Category):** Placentia Library District for its *COVID-19 Response to the Community*

**Innovative Project of the Year Award (Large District Category):** Santa Clara County Library District for its *Rise Up: Supporting At-Risk Youth*.

**Innovative Program of the Year Award (Small District Category):** San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District for its *Model of Cooperation: How the San Bernardino Basin Groundwater Council Achieved Record Recharge in 2019*

**Chapter of the Year Award:** Independent Special Districts of Orange County (ISDOC)

**Staff Member of the Year Award:** Sonja Kawa, Big Bear Area Regional Wastewater Agency

**Board Member of the Year Award:** George Lange, Conejo Recreation & Park District

**General Manager of the Year:** Dean Wetter, Valley-Wide Recreation & Park District

**Ralph Heim Exceptional Outreach & Advocacy Award:** Christine Compton, Irvine Ranch Water District

**William Hollingsworth Award of Excellence:** Douglas Siden, East Bay Regional Parks District

CSDA will be highlighting the winners through the end of the year in a variety of ways through CSDA's communication channels. The 2021 CSDA Award nominations will open in March of 2021. [Learn more](#) about the awards and the nomination process. If you have any questions on the awards program or how to submit an award application, please contact CSDA Communications Specialist Vanessa Gonzales at [vanessag@csda.net](mailto:vanessag@csda.net).

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