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Page 1: Award Categories

Q1

Directions: Read the descriptions below and select a category for which you would like to make an award nomination.

Rising Star AwardThe Rising Star Award is intended to recognize an emerging leader in community transportation whose record reflects ongoing and exceptional growth in contribution to the profession and increased levels of leadership, responsibility, and sphere of impact. While eligible nominees will have not yet reached a senior- or chief-level position, their recent track-record in the transit field reflects a strong career trajectory with the possibility of forward advancement and potential for appointment at the highest levels of the profession.

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Q2

Innovative and creative services in the community.

Respondent skipped this question

Q3

Being responsive to its customers' and community needs.

Respondent skipped this question

Q4

Actively coordinating and collaborating with other public and special services transportation.

Respondent skipped this question

Q5

Effectively helps the community accomplish their goals.

Respondent skipped this question

Q6

Creates partnerships with a wide-range of organizations, both public and private.

Respondent skipped this question

Q7 Respondent skipped this question
Providing accessible transportation service.

Q8 Respondent skipped this question
Building transportation alternatives that are intended to meet a wide range of the communities' needs.

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Q16 Respondent skipped this question
Have demonstrated an extensive history of community engagement;

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Respondent skipped this question

Have created long-standing partnerships with other stakeholders that allow its residents to flourish.

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Q18

Respondent skipped this question

Providing creative, effective and continuing training and technical assistance programs.

Q19

Respondent skipped this question

Using new concepts, strategies, procedures and policies to provide support to local transit systems.

Q20

Respondent skipped this question

Communicating local transit systems' concerns and issues at the state and national level.

Q21

Respondent skipped this question

Advocating for public and community transportation at the state and local level.

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Q22

A record that reflects ongoing and exceptional growth in contribution to the profession and increased levels of leadership, responsibility and sphere of impact

When I first came to BCT Kristy was serving as the front desk clerk. I immediately identified not only a wealth of knowledge, but also a passion for transit and her community. I recognized that Kristy was not only an asset to BCT, but was an asset to her community and her knowledge, skills, and ability weren't being allowed to fully blossom in her current role. In FY21 BCT created a Mobility Manager position which Kristy eagerly accepted. In this new role Kristy has emerged as a name (and a face) in the community. She attends fairs, conferences, and presentations with an enthusiasm for transit that gets people excited. She has launched projects, services, and gathered groups that have changed the landscape of public transit in our community. I know that Mobility Manager is only the next step in her public transit career, most certainly not the final step.

Q23

A recent track-record in the transit field reflects a strong career trajectory with the possibility of forward advancement and potential for appointment at the highest levels of the profession

Kristy's aspiration to someday lead BCT was fueled by her advancement within the organization already. To continue to align herself for advancement, Kristy recently completed her Associate degree at Kellogg Community College (with an outstanding GPA), all while working full time at BCT, being a mom of 2 young boys, and being involved in her community through extra-curricular activities. It would be my honor to see Kristy succeed me as Transit Director for the City of Battle Creek.

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Q24

Respondent skipped this question

Go that extra mile time and time again, encapsulating the spirit and professionalism of the workplace and the community transportation industry.

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Respondent skipped this question

Exudes the spirit and professionalism of community transportation at its best

Q26

Respondent skipped this question

This award can include nominations from any of an agency's frontline positions (examples include drivers, dispatchers, etc.)

Page 8: Tell Us About Your Nominee

Q27

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Title

Mobility Manager

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Page 9: Tell us about yourself: who is submitting this nomination?

Q33

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