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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.

Outstanding Community Partner AwardThe Outstanding Community Partner Award will recognize a business, organization or person that has deeply enhanced its community's mobility options and strives to innovative the delivery of its public transit services. The recipient of this award will:- Have demonstrated an extensive history of community engagement;- Have created long-standing partnerships with other stakeholders that allow its residents to flourish.

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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

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Q16

Have demonstrated an extensive history of community engagement;

Mayor Chelsea Reed is an award-winning leader with decades of experience in business development and philanthropy. She is the proud to be the Mayor of her hometown, the City of Palm Beach Gardens. She was recently chosen as one of the 2023-2024 Palm Beach 100 - Palm Beach County's Most Influential Business Leaders by Palm Beach Illustrated. Awardee of a 2023 Home Rule Hero Award from Florida League of Cities, the 2022 Complete Streets Champion for Palm Beach County, and was 1 of 20 nationally chosen elected officials for the 2021-22 Smart Growth America Champions Institute. She chairs several boards focused on transportation, sustainability, smart growth, and leadership. This includes the Chair of the FL State Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB), Chair of the Palm Beach County Transportation Planning Agency (TPA), 1st Vice President of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Board of Directors & Chair, Legislative Committee, Florida League of Cities, Board of Directors and Land Use & Economic Development Committee National League of Cities, Transportation and Infrastructure Services (TIS) Federal Advocacy Committee

Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization, Executive Committee and Governing Board Vice Chair, Southeast Florida Transportation Council and the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. She works tirelessly within the community promoting Transportation. She participated in the Palm Tran Get-On-The-Bus challenge as a leader in the community. She chairs the LCB which partners with several agencies to help the Transportation Disadvantaged. Mayor Reed fosters a team philosophy among all transportation participants; promoting a positive attitude within the communities and helps increase consumer advocacy for transit. She is active in the community and doesn't just show up for quarterly meetings. Mayor Reed encourages stake holders to ride transit! In fact, through her leadership the Palm Beach LCB won Board of the Outstanding Coordinating Board in the state of Florida in 2023.

As the Chair of the Governing Board of the TPA she leads 21 locally elected officials – 15 elected officials from our 13 largest municipalities, 5 of our 7 Palm Beach County Commissioners, and 1 Port of Palm Beach Commissioner.

The Board approves the TPA's core work products and provides direction for agency staff to plan, prioritize and fund the transportation system in Palm Beach County.

The Mayor also participates and promotes the Safe Streets initiative, the TPA FL Bicycle Month Bike Ride events, mobility week, dump the pump, the Vision Zero initiative and countless other transportation events.

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

The past few years have been difficult for everyone as we rebound from the pandemic. With the collective efforts Mayor Reed brought together in Palm Beach County through the LCB, Palm Beach TPA, League of Cities and Community Transportation Coordinator, transportation in this county continues to improve service delivery and increase customer satisfaction. Increased consumer confidence has resulted in increases in ridership. Mayor Reed worked together with the LCB with the transit agency Palm Tran in combatting the workforce dilemma by helping to spread the word about the driver vacancies.

Mayor Reed is not afraid to tackle any subject, whether it is the budget, service hours or a discussion on prioritizing trips, right of way or other transportation "tough" discussions.

Through her dedication, organizational, and leadership skills, Mayor Reed is the perfect nominee to be named Outstanding Community Partner Award.

Thank you for your consideration.

Other Awards, Certifications and Other Service include: 2023-2024 Palm Beach 100, Palm Beach County's Most Influential Business Leaders, Palm Beach Illustrated

2023 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient, The Benjamin School

2023 Home Rule Hero Award, Florida League of Cities

2022 Leadership Excellence Award Winner, Public Sector, Leadership Palm Beach County

2022 Complete Streets Champion - Safe Streets Award Winner Palm Beach County

Champions Institute Leadership Class of 2021-22 Smart Growth America Active People, Healthy NationSM

2019 Volunteer of the Year Award Winner Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce

Florida Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) Certificates: Speed Calming and Speed Management 1 & 2 (2023), The ACES Trajectory – Florida and Beyond, Environmental Awareness for Highway and Street Maintenance (2022) & Basic Highway Plan Reading (2021)

Shifting Narratives to Prevent Bicyclist & Pedestrian Deaths, Certificate, CUTR University of South Florida (2022)

Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR): Shifting Narratives to Prevent Bicyclist & Pedestrian Deaths Certificate

FDOT/FHWA/LTAP Complete Streets Introduction and Federal/State Perspective Certificate (2022)

MPOAC (Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council) Institute for Elected Officials Certification (2021)

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Q18

Respondent skipped this question

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

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Respondent skipped this question

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

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Respondent skipped this question

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

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Respondent skipped this question

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

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Q22

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

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Respondent skipped this question

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

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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

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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

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Title

Mayor

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

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