

2021 SEAOSC Safer Cities Awards



Initiated in 2018, the SEAOSC Safer Cities Awards program celebrates contributions by local community and civic leaders and organizations working to enhance the resilience of Cities throughout the Southern California region. These awards recognize partners and individuals who in their own roles are supporting this vision, often in coordination and collaboration with the structural engineering community.

Awards presented in 2021 are for contributions made in 2020. Organizations and individuals who are not past recipients of the award are eligible. Nominations are open to the public, and self-nominations are also accepted.

To submit a nomination visit:

<https://seaosc.wufoo.com/forms/seaosc-safer-cities-award-nomination-form/>

The deadline to submit nominations for this year's SEAOSC Safer Cities Awards **Friday, April 30th** at 3:00 pm.

Awards may be presented in the following categories:

Safer Cities Partner of the Year

An organization that has worked to advance the mission of Safer Cities as defined by SEAOSC:

- Awardees are eligible for the Partner award if they are a nonprofit, association, university department, or nongovernmental organization and they do not qualify for one of the other categories.
- Focused on thought leadership and advancing the mission of Safer Cities and Structural Engineering
- Promotes structural engineering in creating safer communities

Past honorees have included SCAG & ICC.

Safer City of the Year

Awarded to a city that has taken up structural safety in a way that shows leadership beyond the standard:

- They have to be a city within the SEAOSC 9-county region
- They shows results of the implementation of policies and/or programs to achieve safer cities
- They have worked with Structural Engineers to craft/inform their program
- They have a better built environment and safer city because of it

Past honorees include: City of Santa Monica and City of Beverly Hills

Safer Cities Public Official of the Year

Awarded to an individual who has shown leadership in creating a safer city for a specific jurisdiction or for cities generally in the SEAOSC 9-County region:

- This person can be a building official, elected official, emergency manager or other government employee at any level of government.
- Preference will be given to public officials at the local level
- They demonstrate a dedication to supporting safer communities
- They show leadership within their profession (e.g. a code official shows leadership within the building official realm)
- Their work supports the initiatives of SEAOSC and the structural engineering community

Past honorees include: Yolanda Bundy, CBO for City of Ventura and Cynthia Zabala, Senior Plancheck Engineer for City of West Hollywood

2021 Safer Cities Awards Recipients will be Recognized June 2nd during SEAOSC's Awards Gala

SEAOSC's 9-County Region: Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Kern and Imperial counties