

## **2012 MEASURING UP THE NORTH INITIATIVE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**

### **PURPOSE:**

The Measuring Up The North Initiative Award of Excellence recognizes local governments, businesses, groups, individuals and other entities that have shown innovation and ingenuity in our quest to build more livable, age-friendly, disability-friendly universally designed inclusive communities for all of our residents and visitors in the NCLGA region. This annual award will be given out at the North Central Local Government Association AGM & Convention in May.

The NCLGA MUTN Awards Committee invites your nominations of local governments, individuals, groups or businesses that have made a significant contribution to making their communities more livable, accessible and inclusive and where a significant impact has resulted.

### **AWARD CRITERIA:**

- The nominee has demonstrated a commitment to increase accessibility/inclusion for older adults, persons with disabilities and all people above and beyond what is required by law or regulation.
- The nominee has made an outstanding contribution to improving accessibility/inclusion in one or more of the following areas: Awareness, Cultural, Commercial or Retail, Education, Employment, Hospitality, Houses or Housing or Accommodation, Information, Infrastructure, Marketing, Municipal Buildings, Outdoor Recreation, Planning, Practices, Policy, Recreation/Entertainment, Transportation, Tourism or other.
- The nominee has improved accessibility/inclusion/services for persons with one or more of the following types of disability: mobility, agility, hearing, seeing, speaking, cognitive, or mental health.
- The nominee has improved accessibility/inclusion/services for older adults.
- The nominee has improved aspects of the community to be more livable for all residents and visitors.
- The local government, individual, groups or business being nominated must be located within the boundaries of the North Central Local Government Association region.
- Local governments, individuals, groups or businesses may be self nominated or nominated by any citizen or group who should provide strong evidence in support of their nominee's commitments and contribution to improving accessibility and inclusion for people with disabilities and older adults.
- Any local government, citizen or group wishing to re-submit or re-nominate an individual, group or business that was not selected for an Award in a previous year may do so by completing a new nomination form and providing up-to-date information in support of that nomination.

### **DEADLINE:**

Please note that the deadline for nominations is **March 14, 2012 @ 5:00 p.m.**

Nomination forms can be found online at <http://www.nclga.ca/> or the attached nomination form can be completed and forwarded to the Selection Committee via the NCLGA office.

Email: [kmarshall@nclga.ca](mailto:kmarshall@nclga.ca). Fax: (250) 564-6514 Mail: 206-155 George Street Prince George, BC, V2L 1P8

**The NCLGA MUTN Awards Committee wishes to thank you in advance for your 2012 Measuring Up The North Initiative Award of Excellence Nomination**

**Nominator:**

Name of Person submitting nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of organization you represent: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone, Fax and/or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee:**

Name of local government, individual, groups, business or other entity you are nominating for the Award:

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Nominee mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominee phone, fax and/or email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Which Area(s) were Addressed?**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Awareness                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Buildings      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor recreation       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial or Retail             | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Practices                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Houses, Housing or Accommodation | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Tourism                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing                        |   |

**Tell Us Why You/They Deserve the Award: (1-2 pages)**

- What did you/they do/what was done?
- Why is this an outstanding contribution?
- What was innovative about it?
- What changes are we seeing for persons with disabilities, older adults, and other community members or travelers?
- How have these changes helped people beyond persons with disabilities/older adults?
- What is the impact of this initiative on your community? (economic, participation, etc)
- Why should you/they get the award and be recognized by the NCLGA?

Please feel free to attach additional material (e.g. letters of support, photographs, biographical notes, etc.) in support of your nomination on this form.