CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL FOUNDATION
GOLD MEDAL AWARDS

The American Psychological Foundation (APF) invites nominations for the APF 2020 Gold Medal Awards. The awards include a mounted medallion; a waiver of 2020 convention registration fees; round trip airfare; and a travel stipend of $1,000 to attend the 2020 American Psychological Association (APA) Annual Convention in Washington, DC.

The deadline for all award nominations is June 1, 2019.

The Gold Medal Awards recognize life achievement in and enduring contributions to psychology. Eligibility is typically limited to psychologists 65 years or older residing in North America. Awards are conferred in four categories:

- **Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Science of Psychology** recognizes a distinguished career and enduring contribution to advancing psychological science. Evidence of a distinguished record in the science of psychology is required, as evidenced by editing journals, reviewing grant proposals, and mentoring students and colleagues. (Submit nominations to Suzanne Wandersman, swandersman@apa.org)

- **Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Application of Psychology** recognizes a distinguished career and enduring contribution to advancing the application of psychology through methods, research, and/or application of psychological techniques to important practical problems. The research should have led to innovative applications in psychology, including but not limited to assessment, consultation, instruction or intervention. Research involving the original development of procedures, methodologies or technical skills that significantly improve the application of psychological knowledge and provide direct solutions to practical problems will be considered. Original integration of existing theories or knowledge is also eligible for consideration. (Submit nominations to Sharon Leiss, sleiss@apa.org)

- **Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement by a Psychologist in the Public Interest** recognizes a distinguished career and enduring contribution to the application of psychology in the public interest. (Submit nominations to Tiffany Sleek, tsleek@apa.org)

- **Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Practice of Psychology** recognizes a distinguished career and enduring contribution to advancing the professional practice of psychology. This award is meant to honor colleagues whose career has focused on either the practice of psychology or advancing the practice of psychology. (Submit nominations to Bethel Yeshiwas, byeshiwas@apa.org)

Additional criteria may include:

*Distinguished Service:* Evidence of distinguished, sustained service in psychology.

*Achievement of Excellence:* Evidence of recognition by other professional/public interest groups of a kind not routinely accorded to all psychologists. All nominees should have excellent overall personal and professional reputations.
Extraordinary Recognition: Evidence of having received national or international recognition from one’s colleagues for contributions to psychology.

Significant Contributions: The publication of articles, books, monographs and other scientific writings which have made a demonstrable impact on the science and thinking of colleagues on more than a local basis, in their field of endeavor. Contributions may be judged distinguished by virtue of peer recognition, advancement of the public’s recognition of psychology as a profession, relevant professional association honors, or other meritorious accomplishments denoting excellence as a scientific researcher including advancement of the profession.

APF encourages nominations of individuals who represent diversity in gender, ethnicity, race, age, disability, and sexual orientation.

Nominees should not have received disciplinary action from a state board of examiners in psychology and must have no history of ethical violations at the state or national level.

Nomination Requirements:
Nomination letters should indicate the specific Gold Medal Award for which the individual is being nominated and should include the following:

- Nomination statement that addresses the award criteria
- Nominee’s current vita and bibliography
- Letters in support of the nomination are welcome, but please refrain from sending supplementary materials such as videos, books, brochures, or magazines
- All nomination materials should be coordinated and collected by a chief nominator and submitted in one package by email to the appropriate APA staff member listed with that award.

Questions regarding any one of the awards should be directed to the staff person listed with that particular award.