



**Arizona City/County Management  
Association 2026 John J. DeBolske  
Professional Excellence Award  
Nomination Form**

The ACMA Board of Directors requests your nomination for the John J. DeBolske Professional Excellence Award. Please submit your nomination for the professional who you feel has made outstanding contributions to the field of public management.

Your participation in the nomination process is very important. While the Board of Directors can, and will nominate candidates, we also solicit nominations from the general membership of the association. It is the general membership of ACMA who are most aware of professionals who possess the outstanding characteristics that this award represents.

This award is the most prestigious award bestowed by our association. Candidates must be full members or retired from full membership in ACMA and will have served a minimum of ten years as a professional local government manager. The criteria for the DeBolske award are based on the nominee's professional and personal contributions to the communities that they have served, contributions to the advancement of the local government management profession through leadership, advocacy, and the development of other professionals, exemplary service to the Arizona City/County Management Association, and clear indication that the nominee has, throughout their career, dedicated themselves to public service above and beyond the organizations in which they have served.

To be eligible, the nominee must:

- Have served a minimum of 10 years as a professional local government manager.
- Must be a full member or a retired full member of ACMA.

We urge you to give serious thought to your nomination, thank you for your participation. Please send your nomination by e-mail to: [acma@azleague.org](mailto:acma@azleague.org)

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 21, 2025.**

**Nomination submitted by:**

_____ Name	_____ Title	_____ Organization
_____ Phone	_____ E-Mail Address	

**Person you are nominating:**

_____ Name	_____ Title	_____ Organization
_____ Phone	_____ E-Mail Address	

**Please write up to one page on why this person should be nominated. Please touch on the following criteria in your summary.**

- The nominee is recognized as an above average professional that has displayed the characteristics of integrity and leadership and has the respect and confidence of his/her peers.
- The nominee has demonstrated a socially responsible approach toward his/her community and fellow human beings (with service on civic and social boards as one example of community involvement).
- The nominee has demonstrated concern for the support, well-being and growth of other professionals and those aspiring to a career in local government management.
- The nominee has actively served the Arizona City/County Management Association through service to an ACMA committee or the Executive Board or has made other significant contributions to the ACMA.
- The nominee has made contributions beyond those made to the public agencies in which he/she has served, through national, state, and regional organizations including but not limited to ICMA, ACMA, state boards, and regional councils of government and planning commissions.

---

Please submit your summary on the next page.

**Nomination for the  
John J. DeBolske Professional Excellence Award**

I hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ for the John J. DeBolske Professional Excellence Award based on the following reasons.