

2022 Sustainable Middleton Awards



The Middleton Sustainability Committee has created this Sustainable Middleton Awards program to recognize individuals, businesses, and organizations that have taken significant actions over the past year or more to help make a more Sustainable Middleton. These awards are also meant to inspire and motivate other residents, businesses, community groups, and non-profits to implement similar sustainable actions.

Applications are due by Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

To access the nomination form, see cityofmiddleton.us

The following are examples of sustainability being considered.

- **Energy: Renewables, Efficiency or Conservation**
Honoring individuals, businesses, and organizations that undertake efforts to reduce energy consumption or increase renewables. Consideration is given to the level of investment, documented reduction/generation of energy, and/or greenhouse gas emissions.
- **Exceptional Land Use Steward**
Honoring individuals, businesses, and organizations that demonstrate their commitment to the improvement of the Middleton community by replanting, restoring, and reclaiming the urban environment into opportunities for social and natural renewal.
- **Environmental Education**
Honoring programs and projects that effectively teach children and adults how to learn about and investigate their environment and to make intelligent, informed decisions about how to take care of it.
- **Local, Sustainable, Healthy Food**
Honoring individuals, businesses, and organizations that demonstrate outstanding commitment to producing or promoting local, sustainable, healthy food.
- **Transportation Innovations**
Honoring individuals, businesses, and organizations that are improving fleets, alternative fuels, car-sharing, transit, biking, etc. on a day-to-day basis or in long-term efforts.
- **Waste Reduction, Composting or Recycling**
Honoring individuals, businesses, and organizations that contribute to waste reduction, the development of composting, or increasing recycling and its related infrastructure.
- **Water Quality or Conservation**
Honoring individuals, businesses, and organizations that demonstrated outstanding commitment to responsible water management and conservation of water resources.

Sustainability Awards Eligibility and Criteria

To be eligible, at minimum, the nominee must:

- ❖ Have a positive impact helping to protect or restore the environment in Middleton
- ❖ Go above and beyond the minimum required operations or expectations (for example, the actions are not the minimum required by law, ordinance, or statute; not completed by paid staff as required in a job description, etc.)
- ❖ Operate within the City if the nominee is a business or organization, or must be a Middleton resident if the nominee is an individual
- ❖ Please note that individuals, businesses, and organizations can nominate themselves or be nominated by another party.

Preferences will be given to individual(s)/business(es)/organization(s) that:

- ❖ Demonstrate successful partnerships with other community or business stakeholders
- ❖ Serve an underserved community (e.g., lower-income area or population, diverse demographic, etc.)
- ❖ Demonstrate that the project/initiative is replicable
- ❖ Is not directly affiliated with the City of Middleton

Timeline

- ❖ Nomination applications will **ONLY** be accepted until Tuesday, January 31, 2023. Late applications and incomplete applications will not be considered.
- ❖ Judging will occur in February with awards announced in April.
- ❖ Winner notifications will be made in March along with details on the ceremony format.

If you have questions about the Sustainable Middleton Awards, contact Kelly Hilyard, khilyard@cityofmiddleton.us