



Technical Professional of the Year

The ***Technical Professional of the Year Award*** recognizes an outstanding Technical professional who has demonstrated exceptional contributions toward the advancement of technology in the public safety community.

Eligibility Criteria

Nominees must have been employed in the applicable category by a public safety or 9-1-1 administrative entity anytime between January 1, and December 31 of the prior calendar year. Must have experience working in a technical related field related to 9-1-1 within their agency. Membership is encouraged; however, nominees do not have to be members of NENA to participate. Persons submitting a nomination or being nominated must be residents of Texas.

Award Recipient Receives:

- Conference registration
- One night hotel accommodations

Qualities:

- The person should be known for their excellent work in the 9-1-1 technical field.
- The person should have made efforts to share the wisdom of their knowledge to help other 9-1-1 professionals.
- Have demonstrated dedication, leadership, and commitment to the advancement, promotion, and development of technology in the public safety community.
- May prepare GIS-based maps, graphs and other data for the department or other agencies by building and creating various maps using GIS data; incorporating GIS edits into other files; manipulating and analyzing data to

produce desired reports, maps, or graphs; ensuring GIS data is maintained and updated; and helping maintain departmental GIS.

- Provides technical assistance to staff and others as needed by assisting with training on technology; finding answers to software, programming, and conceptual questions; and converting and downloading geographical files and attributes.

Questionnaire:

Nominators – **Please answer each question on this form individually under the questions.** Nominations will not be accepted unless all questions are answered.

1. Provide nominee's agency's name, staffing levels, size, and discipline (law, fire, EMS, PSAP, etc.).
2. How long has the nominee been at this job or another public safety communications position?
3. Describe how the nominee demonstrates his/her knowledge of the profession. Provide an example of how the nominee may go above and beyond what may be required of an individual in this position.
4. In one page or less, describe why the candidate should receive the Texas NENA Technical Professional of the Year award.