



## FEPA Awards Program

### Past Recipients By Award Category

**2014-2025**

#### **Distinguished Service Award**

2014 – Sheryl Bracewell  
Charlie Craig

2015 – Donnie Land  
Patty Clemons  
Brian Gibson  
Merrilee White

2016 – Steve Simpson  
Shirley Exner  
Pamela Sue Harris  
Doug Christ  
Roslyn Viterbo  
Bob Wesch

2017 – Bob Ballou  
Debra McCaughey  
Wayne Sallade'  
Richard Stiff  
Irene Toner

2018 - Linda Brown  
Brian Johns  
John King  
Pete McNally  
Susan Mueller

2019 – Ronald Plummer (in Memoriam)  
Billy Estep  
Ken Skalitzky  
Daniel Simpson

2020 – Jeannie Cann  
Charles “Chuck” Carter  
Lynn Daines (in Memoriam)  
Kevin Ford  
Jim “JJ” Johnston  
Gerard Mallet  
Dwayne Mundy (in Memoriam)  
Isaias “Dan” Santana

2021 - David DeCarlo  
Chris Evan  
Pam Garrison  
Bill Johnson, RN  
Jim Judge  
Danny Kilcollins  
Linda Stoughton  
Ed Ward

2022 – Marshal Nelson  
Cecilia Patella

2023 – Pam Brownell  
Anne Miller  
Dana Shropshire  
Mitch Smeykal

2024 – Steve Litschauer  
Ed McCrane  
Dan Noah  
Pamela Phillips  
Wendy Russell  
Wanda Stafford

2025 - Rhonda Lewis

### **Legislative Award**

2014 – Senator Bill Nelson

2015 – Sally Heyman, Miami-Dade County Commissioner

2016 – Senator Bill Nelson

2017 – Mayor Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando

2018 – Representative Jeanette Nunez

2020 – Senator Debbie Mayfield

2022 – Representative Bob Rommel

2023 – First Lady Casey DeSantis

2024 – Speaker of the House Paul Renner

2024 – Representative Michael Grant

### **Media Award**

2014 – Palm Beach County Public Affairs Department

2015 – Randy Wright, Division of Multimedia Properties, University of Florida

2016 – Brevard County Hurricane Myths

2017 – City of Orlando ESF-14 Team

2018 - Spectrum News 13 – Orlando, Florida

2019 – WKGC Public Radio – Panama City, Florida

2020 – Volusia County Community Information – ESF-14

2021 – Keith Ronan - Positively Osceola

2022 – Don Coble, Clay Today

2023 – Mary Briggs, Lee Memorial Health System

2024 - Florida Public Radio Emergency Network

2025 – Ashley Turner – Charlotte County

### **Volunteer Award – Sponsored by the FLVOAD**

2014 – Hammers and Hearts

2015 – William “Bill” Sweat, The Salvation Army

2016 – Palm Valley Community Emergency Response Team

2017 – Mike Rance – The Chainsaw Gang

2018 – Sumter County Medical Reserve Corps

2019 – Jessica Geib, The Salvation Army

2020 – Flagler Volunteer Services

2021 – Ron Haines – Suwannee County CERT

2022 – Sue Eve, Osceola County Emergency Management

2023 – Christy Rojas – Volunteer Florida

2024 – Tina Haddon

2025 – Hap Hopkins

### **Corporate Award**

2014 – Amber Ramsay - CrowderGulf

2015 – Mike Francesconi, St. Joseph’s Hospital

2016 – Jessica Byrski – Emergency Management Accreditation Program

2017 – Mark Demski, John O’Dell and Jeff MacDonald – Intermedix- WebEOC

2018 – Tim Kitchen and Chris Chagdes - Advanced Planning Consultants

2019 – Brian Toolan – Everbridge

2020 – Bryan Koon – IEM

2021 – Elizabeth Payne – Northeast Florida Regional Council

2022 – Publix Supermarkets

2023 – Hagerty Consulting

2024 – AshBritt

2025 – Lee and Teresa Newsome, EREC, Inc.

### **Gary Arnold Award**

2014 – Shawn Wood, Gadsden County Emergency Management

2015 - Claire Connolly Knox, University of Central Florida, School of Public Administration

2016 – Annette Doying

2017 – William “Billy” Abernathy, Imperial Polk County Emergency Management

2018 – Scott Nelson

2019 – Franklin County Emergency Management EOC Team

2020 – Scott Warner – Bay County Emergency Services

2021 – Christine Brady – Lee County Administration

2022 – Jonathan Lord- Flagler County Emergency Management  
Kelly Wilson – St. Johns County Emergency Management

2023 – Peter Newman – Florida Department of Education

2024 – Ryan Simpson – Flagler County Emergency Management

2025 – Alex MacKinnon – Leon County Emergency Management

**Emerging Leader Award (New in 2024)**

2024 – Ian Craig – Brevard County Emergency Management

2026 – Mason Kozac – Florida Division of Emergency Management

**FEPA Service Award (New in 2024)**

2024 – April Taylor – City of Orlando Emergency Management

2025 – Catie Feeney – Walton County Emergency Management

**Chad Reed – Emergency Manager of the Year Award**

2014 – Alan Harris - Seminole County Emergency Management

2015 – Curt Sommerhoff - Miami-Dade County Emergency Management

2016 – William P. Johnson - R.N, Palm Beach County Emergency Management

2017 – Linda Stoughton -St. Johns County Emergency Management

2018 – Lee Mayfield -Lee County Emergency Management

2019 – Joby Smith -Bay County Emergency Management

2020 – Michele Jones -Martin County Emergency Management

2021 – All Emergency Managers in the State of Florida

2022 – Shayne Morgan, Columbia County Emergency Management

2023 – Sandra Tapfumaneyi – Lee County Emergency Management

2024 – Leigh Basford – Madison County Emergency Management

2025 – Cathie Perkins – Pinellas County Emergency Management