

Georgia Association of Conservation Districts

Urban Conservationist of the Year Award

Purpose:

GACD would like to recognize a conservationist, farmer, landowner, educator or community member conducting exemplary conservation work in their community and/or on their land. The Urban Conservationist of the Year award winner will have demonstrated a strong commitment to soil and water conservation through their natural resource stewardship, outreach, community interactions, and/or education *in an urban setting*.

Eligibility:

This award is open to nominations of individuals from across the state *in urban communities.* Eligible individuals include those who have conducted outstanding conservation achievements in an urban setting. Nominees must be residents of Georgia and have a record of conservation activities in their community, place of business and/or property.

Procedure:

A local Conservation District Supervisor must sign off on the nomination form to verify conservation minded activities have either taken place or are currently in process. This indicates the district's endorsement of the nomination of the candidate. All applications will be reviewed and ranked. One awardee will be selected from the candidate pool and honored at the GACD Annual Meeting in 2024. The winner will also be considered for the national "Friend of Conservation" award given by the National Association of Conservation Districts. <u>Nominations must be submitted by a local Conservation District. Only one nominee per Conservation District allowed.</u>

All nominations should be submitted to GACD by DECEMBER 31, 2023.

Please fill out the following form and submit to info@gacd.us.

Pictures may be included as evidence of stewardship activities, however, all photos must be accompanied by captions.



GACD's 2024 Urban Conservationist of the Year Award Nomination Form

Nominee Information:
Name:
Address:
Phone and email address:
Conservation District:
Information of Nominator Submitting this Form: Name:
Phone and email address:
Capacity in which you know the nominee:

Conservation District Verification:

By signing below, you verify that you have observed the nominee's strong efforts to include conservation-minded activities in their community and/or property, and you endorse the nomination of this candidate for this award.

Local District Supervisor Signature

Date

Commitment to Conservation:

Instructions: Please respond below in the space provided.

- 1. Please provide a brief background of the nominee and their interactions with natural resource stewardship and conservation.
- 2. Detail and describe the conservation methods that the nominee has put in place and utilized in regards to soil and water conservation and sustainable resource management. You may include here whether the nominee has been involved with any conservation education or outreach.
- 3. In your opinion, why should this person receive this award?

Responses:

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