2013 Officer Jim Howes Community Service Award

About the Officer Jim Howes Community Service Award

Officer Jim Howes, a retired 26-year Santa Cruz Police Officer, exemplifies solution-oriented problem solving with caring, practicality, dedication, and professionalism. Throughout his career, Officer Howes provided leadership and strengthened the collaboration between the City and the Santa Cruz community. Today, Jim Howes continues to positively impact our community with his distinct problem-solving approach.

In 2007, an Officer Jim Howes Community Service Award and perpetual plaque were established to honor his services. This annual award will recognize others who, like Officer Howes, exhibit extraordinary dedication and constructive efforts for our community.

Who is Eligible?

Each year, one Santa Cruz community member and one Santa Cruz City employee will receive the Officer Jim Howes Community Service Award.

To be eligible:

- **City staff member must be currently employed or employed within the past year (executive management and Councilmembers are ineligible).**
- **Community member must be a City resident or associated with an organization or business in the City of Santa Cruz.**

The nominee should:

- **Exhibit extraordinary dedication and efforts toward improving the quality of life in Santa Cruz through constructive, solution-oriented work.**
- **Work in collaboration with the City or City departments and other community stakeholders.**
- **Embody a spirit of cooperation between the City and community and set a positive tone that inspires and motivates others.**

I nominate for the 2013 Officer Jim Howes Community Service Award:

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Name of Nominee

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Institution

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Street Address

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City/State/Postal Code

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Telephone E-mail

Nomination submitted by:

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Your Name

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Institution

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Street Address

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City/State/Postal Code

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Telephone E-mail

Nomination Narrative

On a separate page in **300 words or less**, explain notable contributions made by the nominee, as well as how the nominee specifically meets the selection criteria for the award. Any City resident or City employee can nominate. Complete the nomination form and return to: **Scott Collins, c/o City Manager's Office, 809 Center Street – Room 10, Santa Cruz, CA 95060** or submit via e-mail to: scollins@cityofsantacruz.com by **5:00 p.m., November 7, 2013**.

Selection Process

An Awards Committee appointed by the Mayor will review the nominations and select two recipients. The recipients will have their names engraved on the Officer Jim Howes Community Service Award perpetual plaque that hangs in City Council Chambers and will be honored by the Mayor at a City Council meeting later this fall.