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## **Nominations Open for Clean Air Awards**

*Prestigious Awards Honor Clean Air Advocates*

**DIAMOND BAR** – On Friday, January 6, 2023, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) will host the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Clean Air Awards. The annual event honors those who have made outstanding contributions to reduce air pollution and improve the health of our communities and the economy. Nominations are open to the public and may be submitted through Monday, October 31, 2022, at 12:00 p.m., PST and can be found on the event [page](#).

This year, the Clean Air Awards feature three award categories including:

### **Leadership in Air Quality**

This award is presented for an outstanding effort or comprehensive strategy by an individual, community organization, or business that improves air quality, promotes sustainability, and/or advances effective solutions in the South Coast region. Such efforts should be beyond any local, state, or federal requirement and includes collaborative/integrated efforts or programs involving the public, business, nonprofits and government.

### **Innovative Clean Air Technology & Strategy**

This award is presented for an extraordinary contribution to the development and application of a new and innovative technology and/or strategy designed to reduce emissions. Technology or strategy must be implemented for a minimum of one-year.

### **Young Leadership in Air Quality**

This award is for an outstanding effort by an individual (aged 25 or younger) who has shown a commitment to improving public health through the reduction of air pollution. An emphasis will be placed on the uniqueness and inspirational value of the young person and their individual efforts to improve air quality.

In addition, South Coast AQMD honors three steadfast clean air advocates by presenting the Robert M. Zweig, M.D. Memorial Lifetime Achievement Award, S. Roy Wilson Memorial Award for Leadership in Government, and Dr. William A. Burke Award for Leadership in Environmental Justice.

The Clean Air Awards will be held at 11:30am on Friday, January 6, 2023. This is a free, virtual event open to the public.

For more information on nominations or to register to the event, please visit: [www.aqmd.gov/caa](http://www.aqmd.gov/caa).

South Coast AQMD is the regulatory agency responsible for improving air quality for large areas of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, including the Coachella Valley. For news, air quality alerts, event updates and more, please visit us at [www.aqmd.gov](http://www.aqmd.gov), download our award-winning app, or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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