

Community Awards Past Recipients

	Distinguished Resident of the Year	Business/ Businessperson of the Year	High School Student of the Year	Contribution to the Arts	Educator of the Year	Environmental Achievement	Volunteer of the Year	Mayor's Award of Excellence
2023	Allison Joe	Amal Allan	Elisabeth Floyd	Jennifer Tipton	Edme Hernandez	Cherryhill Neighborhood Association	Sunnyvale Community Services Community Leadership Program	Duo Duo Project (Group) Kenny Lam (Individual)

In 2023, the award categories were revised.

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2022	Marlene Somsak	Arnold Chong (Chick-fil-A)	Natalia Esparza	Lidija Dukic	Lindsay Choi	Sunnyvale Youth Climate Action Team	Magical Bridge Foundation (Group) Ari Feinsmith (Individual)
2021	Murali Srinivasan	Sunnyvale School District	Radhika Agarwal	Chitra Venkatramani	Julio Delgado & Marissa Kacmarsky	Dorit and Dave Chapman	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) (Business) Dianne McKenna (Individual)
2020	Greg and Kristi Bodzioch	Sunnyvale Community Services	Peri Plantenberg	Jan Knight	Jesus Ramirez	Kristel Wickham	Our Daily Bread (Business) Michael Johnson (Individual)
2019	Dr. Benjamin H. Picard	Ray Piontek (Bay Area Furniture Bank)	Kaushik Tota & Zara Vakath	Lawrence E. Stone (Santa Clara County Assessor)	Mary Grace Votran	Mark Bowers	Animal Assisted Happiness
2018	Tara Martin-Milius	Sunnyvale Martial Arts Academy	Melissa Lee	Sunnyvale Community Players	Alex Ha	Project Revive (Homestead HS Future Business Leaders of America)	Home First Feeding Partners

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2017	Mike Klein	Joe Antuzzi	Valerie Suares	Rachel Hildebrand	California Theatre Center	Cherry Chase and Cumberland Elementary Schools	Pamela Cheng	N/A	Dick Smith
2016	Dr. Kenneth Bruce	Max Valle	Barbara Schmidt	Maanasa Kandarpa	Warren Scott	Lakewood Elementary School	Colleen Lynch-Espinoza	N/A	Sunnyvale Community Services
2015	No award given	Leigh Odum	Amy Jasper	Neeja Patel	Bob Martin	Michael Powers (Individual) The Green Committee (Group)	Annette Grasty	N/A	Jerry Nabhan
2014	Robert “Bob” Harms (posthumous)	Dr. Gary Gold	Frances Zowin	No award given	No award given	Iron Construction	Susan Holtzapple	N/A	No award given

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2013	Patricia Castillo	Shanam Saini	Ed Walzer	Denzel Campos	Alan Moo	Safe Routes to Schools	Michelle Edgumbe	N/A	Don Eagleston
2012	Sook Young “Sue” Kim	Dr. Mary Kate Cameron	Johan Koning	Josh Levin	Roger Havasy	Dan Hafeman	Richard Carmona	N/A	The Kim Family
2011	Fritz Stawitcke (posthumous)	N/A	Dixie De Vore Larsen	Scott Sarsfield	Kristine Ortega	Nela Veis of Promega Biosystems	Bobby Soto	N/A	Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library
2010	Julia E. Miller	Peter & Megan Xu	Art Gianfermo	Claire Umeda	Charlie Shoemaker	Cepheid	Nancy Fohner	N/A	Fairwood Explorer Magnet Program
2009	Jeannie Biddle	Kevin Surace	Paul Schaeffer	Albert Wong	Susan Buchs	Lockheed Martin Space Systems	Ruth Johnson	N/A	Nancy Tivol
2008	Dane Andrew and Doris Beezley	The Pezzella Family	The Sunnyvale Historical Society Museum Team	Parijat Chakrabart	No nominations were received, no award given	Barbara Fukumoto	No nominations were received, no award given	N/A	Arley Marley
2007	Dawn Haddaway	Saeed Amidi	Dorothy Ames	Timothy Wong	Flo Oy Wong	Dan and Donna Hafeman (Individual) Sustainable Community Gardens (Group)	Mike Goltzer	N/A	Paul Fong (Individual) Sunnyvale Historical Museum Society (Group)
2006	IrisAnn Nelson	Joe Antuzzi	Mary Hidalgo	Spencer Martinez	Abby O’Connell	Jay Rosenberg’s Fremont High School Life Skills Class		Dharm Gupta	Vince Cala

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2004	Geoff Ainscow	Richard “Dick” Smith	Margaret Maletis	Aneta Pariaszevshi & Bindu Gottipatti	Dr. Gayle Cornelison	Network Appliance		The Cordero Family	Jeanine Stanek
2003	David Simons	Jerry Nabhan	Yolanda Risch	Michelle Wall	N/A	Melinda Teves & her 5 th Grade Class		Rebecca Bryan & Ricky Dobson	Robert Lawson

In 2003 there was an Outstanding Military Service Award Service award given to Timothy J. Capps

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2002	Laura Babcock	Bruce Paynter	Sew What Club	Tiffany Tang & Michael Parenteau	N/A	N/A		Justin Rajah & Jessica Guerrero	Elena Anderson
2001	Joe Gutierrez	Deborah Owens	Jan Camp	Ryan Arba	N/A	N/A		Alex Bacur, Steven Peterson, Niki Gomez, Julie Tranchina & Suzanne Flores	Holly Lofgren
2000	Jeanine Stanek	Marie Kuykendall	Patricia Boyle	Emily Mellentine	N/A	N/A		Brittany Wade	Le Boulanger
1999	Gordon & Willa Markley	Suzi Blackman	May Gee	Monica Blanketship	N/A	N/A		Leonid Vera, Gary Ford,	The Olson Family
1998	Don & Jean Yeager	Marilyn Crosby	Nellie Durand & Gary Faules	Steven Sloan	N/A	N/A		Art Barr & Robert Vega, Keegan McLoskey and Lauren Christina and Bean Scene employees	None
1997	Sue Barbieri	Ken Lenard	Ray Mion	Deborah Schapira & Amy Yan	N/A	N/A		N/A	Betsy Doss
1996	John Christian	Leslie Lawton	Walter Rees	Octavia Baker	N/A	N/A		Jack Forrester	Nasa Ames Research Center

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1995	Nancy Tivol	Katherine Strehl	Edwin Krauth & Dr. Craig VanRokens (Volunteer Group) Composting Education Volunteers (Volunteer highest # of hours) Eva Vrkich)	Fei Cha & Tammi Tsang	N/A	N/A		Francine Keogh & 670 th Military Police Company, California National Guard	AMD, Sunnyvale Family Child Care Network & Dorolou Pierson Swirsky
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1994	Helen Rood Rogers	Mel Solomon	Guillermo (Bill) Soto & Floyd Phillips (Volunteer w/highest # of hours) Eva Vrkich	Chi Nguyen & Benjamin Pickering	N/A	Consolidated Publications, Inc.		(Valor) Paul Meyers, Jack Ramirez (Merit) Linda Harlow, Frank Lux, Kryssie Mingst, Joseph Morgan, Pam Shepherd	None
1993	Nancy Newton	Andrea Thomas	N/A	Angela Newton	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1992	Jess Barba	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1991	Brian Smith	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1990	Bobbie Lemberg	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1989	Ed Rogers	Jim Balanesi	N/A	Mary Kay Duffy	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1988	Pat Plant	Ed Schultz – Plaza Bank	N/A	Lisa Chen Roberta Kelly	N/A	N/A		Brian Elings	N/A
1987	Barbara Waldman	Don Newton & Jerry Sanders	Jayanthi Raghupathy, Kathy Blackburn, Lenore Wilcox, James Taylor & Betty Fromberg	Caren Chen, Raymond Montalvo & Eric Ly	N/A	Parks and Recreation		N/A	N/A
1986	Fern Ohrt	Brenda Klocko	N/A	Stephen Goldsby & Katherine Johnson	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1985	Vesta Berger	Sam Schiavo	N/A	Denise Tobias	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1984	Alillion Wilhelmy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		Michael Cromartie	N/A

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1983	Carmen Stone	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1982	Jean Ann Lee	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
1981	Ann Hines	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A

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