

Generations Working Together

2019

**Recognition in
Intergenerational
Work**

National Awards Guidelines

About the awards

Generations Working Together (GWT) is pleased to announce the 2019 National Awards for Recognition in Intergenerational Work.

The Awards will be presented at our 2019 National Conference in Glasgow on Wednesday 6th March 2019.

The awards recognise, showcase and celebrate achievement and outstanding practice in intergenerational work in Scotland.

GWT believes that Intergenerational practice brings people together in purposeful, mutually beneficial activities, which promote greater understanding and respect between generations, and contribute to building more cohesive communities.

These awards will inspire individuals and organisations from the third sector, public and private agencies to develop their intergenerational work and embed it within their practice and policy.

There are five Award Categories:

1. Most innovative project
2. Most improved project
3. Award for promoting achievement and attainment in Education
4. Award for contribution to reducing Loneliness and Isolation
5. Intergenerational volunteer of the year.

Award Eligibility & Assessment Criteria

There are four awards for projects and one for an outstanding individual contribution to intergenerational work.

To be eligible for any of the four project awards, projects must:

- deliver their work in Scotland;
- bring people together in purposeful, mutually beneficial activities, which promote greater understanding and respect between generations, and contribute to building more cohesive communities;
- involve people from different generations, generally with a 25-year age gap between participating generations.

To be eligible for the Intergenerational Volunteer of the Year Award, nominees must:

- be an active contributor to intergenerational work (or have been active within the last year);
- participate on a voluntary basis (here, voluntary is understood to mean contributing their own non-work time and talents without remuneration);
- be nominated by an individual or project which is familiar with their work and contribution.

Assessment

The four Project Awards will be assessed in relation to a common set of criteria:

- the project has clearly stated aims and goals;
- the project has a clear rationale for adopting an IG approach;
- the project is well planned (within the context of good intergenerational practice);
- the project gives equal priority to the needs of all participants;
- the project develops relationships between participants from different generations;
- the project is making and can evidence positive impact (the areas for impact would vary according to award category);
- the project has a strategy for sustainability – either for the project or its participants.

There are two additional criteria for each of the Most innovative and Most improved project awards.

Most innovative:

- the project has been operating for less than two years;
- the project is innovative (in its context).

Most improved

- the project has clearly identified the need and scope for improvement;
- there is clear improvement in the quality of practice and on impact.

The assessment criteria for the Volunteer of the Year award are that the Nominee:

- is involved in the delivery of an intergenerational project – this could be as member of a project planning committee or in a specific “service delivery” role;
- demonstrates great understanding and respect for different generations
- understands the importance of meaningful intergenerational relationships, which are developed within the project they are involved in;
- demonstrates dedication to the project at a level above and beyond the normal expectation of commitment;
- demonstrates drive and leadership in their contributions.

The Award Process

Completed Nomination forms should be submitted to:
sorina@generationsworkingtogether.org not later than Friday 1st February 2019 at 5pm.

Only email applications will be accepted, unless in exceptional circumstances and with prior agreement.

A project can be entered for more than one award category, providing it meets all of the relevant criteria

Nomination Forms for projects can be submitted by projects themselves, or by individuals or agencies on their behalf.

Nominations for the Volunteer of the Year Award must be made by a third party; self-nomination is not permitted.

All of those submitting nominations, whether for a project or the individual award, is asked to supply:

- the name and contact details of an independent referee. This should be someone with knowledge of the project or individual who is willing to be contacted in relation to the nomination. Please note that not all referees will be contacted;
- a maximum of three photographs which in some way capture the essence or activity of the project. In the case of the Volunteer of the Year Award, these pictures should include a recent photograph of the nominee. These pictures will be used as part of promotional material for the awards and may be included in subsequent GWT on and off-line publications.

A confirmation email will be sent within 5 working days of the receipt of your form.

All eligible applications will be assessed by a panel of GWT Trustees and staff. Individual assessors will score each project using the following framework:

Assessment criteria	
Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • clearly stated aims and goals; • has a clear rationale for adopting an IG approach; • well planned (within the context of good intergenerational practice); • has a strategy for sustainability.
Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • clearly stated aims and goals • has a clear rationale for adopting an IG approach; • well planned (within the context of good intergenerational practice); • has a strategy for sustainability.
Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • making and can evidence positive impact.
Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is innovative (in its context).
Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • clearly identified need and scope for improvement; • clear improvement in the quality of practice and on impact.

Scores will then be compiled to give an overall score for each Project.

The Award recipients will be announced during the

GWT National Conference on Wednesday, 6th March 2018.

All Projects will receive feedback on their nomination/submission following the presentation of Awards.

Good Luck!