

Drinking Water Week Award Winners

2015

Commitment to Excellence

Tacoma Water

Kitsap Public Utility District

Pursuit of Excellence

City of Colville Water System

Lifetime Achievement

Steve Prather, Water Services, Clark Public Utilities

Above and Beyond

John Wesely, Cedar Water Treatment Facility

Operator of the Year

Cheryl Capron, Seattle Public Utilities

Going Above and Beyond

Phil Gady and Melissa Young

2014

Grace Under Pressure

Albert Darrow (Clearwood Community Association Board), Maintenance Manager, Thurston County

Grace Under Pressure

Kirk Lally and Randy Russell, Operator and Superintendent, Spokane County

Lifetime Achievement

Bill Evans, Chief Operator, Whatcom County

Lifetime Achievement

Dan Katsel, Public Works Director, Walla Walla County

Ongoing Excellence

Steve Coke, Cross-Connection Control Specialist, Thurston County

2013

Going Above and Beyond

Dave Olson, President of Water Systems Services Inc./Cornerstone Management and certified operator, Whatcom County

Most Improved

Belfair Water District #1 (Thomas Peadon), Mason County

Operator of the Year

Gary Sale, State Parks & Contract Operator, San Juan County

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2012

Award program on hold, due to budget reductions.

2011

Most Improved

Town of Endicott, Whitman County

Grace Under Pressure

Mason County Public Utility District #1

Going Above and Beyond

City of Walla Walla

Operator of the Year

Kim Gubbe, Thurston County Public Utility District #1

Lifetime Achievement

Kathleen "Cas" Hancock, Concrete

Friend of Drinking Water

Lewis County

2010

Most Improved

Sunrise Beach Association, San Juan Island County

Grace Under Pressure

City of Kennewick, Municipal Services Department Water Treatment Plant

Going Above and Beyond

Paula Brock, Pine Terrace Water Association, Oak Harbor

Operator of the Year

Carl McCrary, City of Kalama

Lifetime Achievement

Monte Brachmann, City of Camas

Friend of Drinking Water

Drew Noble, H2O Management Company, Mason County

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2009

Grace Under Pressure

Drug Abuse Prevention Center, Cowlitz County

Going Above and Beyond

Port of Walla Walla, Burbank Business Park Water System

Operator of the Year

Cary Eller, Chelan County

Friend of Drinking Water

Brad Lake and Sean Bauer, City of Kent

2008

Grace Under Pressure

Spanaway Water Co. Manager Jeff Johnson and staff

Going Above and Beyond

Sharon Germano, Forest Glen Estates Homeowners Association, Pierce County

Operator of the Year

Kathy Small, Pasadena Park Irrigation District No. 17 in the Spokane Valley

Lifetime Achievement

Edward Bush, City of Washougal

Friend of Drinking Water

Lorna Parent, Skagit County Health Department

2007

Most Improved

Town of Eatonville

Grace Under Pressure

Washington Water Service Company

Going Above and Beyond

Judy Davis, Homeowner, Paxson Platt Water System, Grant County

Lifetime Achievement

Norm Kramm, City of Vancouver

Friend of Drinking Water

Jacqueline "JJ" Bellinger, Okanogan County Public Health District

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2006

Most Improved

Skamania Public Utility District

Grace Under Pressure

Sharon Kimball and Consolidated Irrigation District #19 in Spokane County

Going Above and Beyond

Longview Water Treatment Plant

Operator of the Year and Lifetime Achievement

Frank Piper, City of Puyallup

Friend of Drinking Water

David Eaton, Walla Walla County Health Department

2005

Most Improved

Sentinel Gap Water Association in Grant County

Going Above and Beyond

Snohomish Public Utility District

Operator Recognition

Ray Klube, Willapa Valley Water District

Handling a Crisis Well

South Whidbey School District

2004

City of Hamilton in Skagit County

Stevens County Public Utility District

City of Shelton

2003

Foothills Water Association in eastern King County

City of Aberdeen

Kershaw Fruit Company