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**2023 AHA Dick Davidson NOVA Award Application**

*Collaboration for healthier communities*

The AHA Dick Davidson NOVA Award recognizes the collaborative work of hospitals and community organizations to improve the health status of individuals and communities. Specifically, the award honors AHA members for successful efforts that:

* improve community health status whether through health care, economic or social initiatives,
* are collaborative, joint efforts with other health care systems or hospitals and/or with other community organizations, and
* engage community members to identify issues and co-design solutions or interventions.

Awards will be presented at the AHA Leadership Summit, July 16-18, 2023, in Seattle. Honorees will be featured in an awards publication and offered the opportunity to showcase their AHA Dick Davidson NOVA Award achievements in their community through a local award presentation of the award.

**Eligibility and Requirements**

The hospital/health system submitting the application must be an AHA member. Other hospitals/systems and community groups involved in the collaborative program must submit letters of support with the application. Community members or leaders that have been engaged or supported may also submit letters of support. Vendors and consultants may not submit applications on behalf of hospitals or health systems.

**Evaluation and Judging**

The applications are reviewed by members of the NOVA Award Committee. Winners will be notified in May 2023.

**Submission of Application**

Applications are due on **Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022**. Please **convert your application, including any support letters, into a single PDF file** to ensure all materials are seen by the committee and to minimize the chance of distortion. **The PDF file name must include your organization name.** Email the application to [nova@aha.org](mailto:nova@aha.org). Applications will be acknowledged within one business day.

**For More Information**

Information on past NOVA Award recipients can be found at [www.aha.org/nova](https://www.aha.org/nova). Please email [nova@aha.org](mailto:nova@aha.org) with any questions.

AHA Community Health Improvement (ACHI) is the AHA Dick Davidson NOVA Award’s educational affiliate.

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**Instructions**

Please complete this cover page and attach a manuscript of no more than 13 double-spaced pages to answer the questions on the following page.

**Program name:**

**Organization:**

**Contact:**

**Title:**

**Telephone:**

**Email:**

**Address:**

**Participating hospitals/systems and/or other community organizations (include organization name, contact name, email, city and state). Use separate page if necessary:**

As CEO and board chair of the hospital(s)/health care system(s), we are nominating this project for an AHA Dick Davidson NOVA Award.

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Please respond to the following questions. The program or initiative described below must have been **operational for at least** **2 years and have demonstrated positive impact in the community** prior to submitting the application. Applications for the 2023 AHA Dick Davidson NOVA Award are due to [nova@aha.org](mailto:nova@aha.org) on **Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022**.

1. Please describe the program.

A. What are its goals?

B. How does it operate?

C. What population(s) does it reach?

D. How is the program funded? How will it be sustained?

E. Who are the collaborative partners, and what are their roles?

F. What community members were engaged in its development, and what were their roles?

2. Please describe the program’s impetus.

A. Why was the program conceived? What data were used to identify the issue(s) to be addressed?

B. Who was the program’s executive sponsor?

3. Please describe the program’s outcomes and measures used for evaluation.

A. What are the current efforts and methods being used to evaluate and measure the impact of the program?

B. How were community members engaged in identifying outcomes to be tracked?

C. Please provide documentation of or data on the program’s effectiveness, such as changes in health behavior, health status, access to care, etc. Please use metrics that demonstrate significant value and impact on communities.

4. How does this program improve equity in your community?

5. What are the unique elements of this program that set it apart or contribute most to its success in your community?

6. What elements are replicable by other communities? What advice would you offer?