

Fahe Annual Awards

Fahe Award for Excellence - If warranted, more than one award can be given, and if not warranted, no awards are required. Awarded for:

- Innovation – either in a new service/product, approach to solving a challenge, implementation of a new program, a creative way of marketing the organization/programs, or overall excellence!
- Impact – actions, or services that move the needle on our mission of eliminating poverty in Appalachia
- New Services/Programs that have potential for significant, long-lasting and increasing impact
- NEW: Outstanding performance/program/efforts in the face of COVID-19

Previous Winner:

- 2020 - Housing Development Alliance for Hope Building
- 2019 - Hope, Inc. for Open Door Café

Fahe Award for Leadership

Awarded to someone at any level of their organization, and could be awarded each year to both seasoned and emerging leaders based on the following:

- Exceptionally effective and cooperative at cross-Member partnering
- Emerging leaders stepping in or stepping up to make a powerful impact
- Leaders creating a legacy by their dedication to the mission
- Extraordinary leadership resulting in the accomplishment of significant goals
- Inspirational progress in overcoming obstacles
- Making a personal investment in local communities
- Providing inspiration as a role model to encourage others
- New: Exemplary effort during the COVID-19 crisis on behalf of their community or their staff

Previous Winners

- 2020 - Leadership: Wilma Kelley, Beattyville Housing and Development, Corp.
- 2019 - Leadership: Lindy Turner, Clinch-Powell RC&D
- 2019 - Leadership/Emerging Leader: Sarah Bates

Art Collings Award for Advocacy

Awarded to a Fahe Member for greatest advocacy on a state-regional-national basis. This award is named in honor of Art Collings whose unmatched dedication to improving housing conditions for low- income rural Americans is an example for us all to follow.

Previous Winners

- 2020 - Hope Cupit
- 2019 - Seth Long
- 2018 - Karen Jacobson
- 2017 - Blake Enlow
- 2016 - Janaka Casper
- 2015 - Dave Clark & Evan Zuverink
- 2014 - Scott McReynolds
- 2013 - Tom Manning-Beavin

Dwayne Yost Friend of Fahe Award

Awarded to a non-member, in recognition of outstanding contribution to Fahe and the membership. This award is named in honor of Dwayne Yost, Founding Father of Fahe and champion of affordable housing.

Previous Winners

- 2020 - Adrian Dominican Sisters – Accepted by Sister Corinne Florek, OP
- 2019 - USDA-Rural Development – Accepted by Bruce Lammers & Cathy Glover
- 2018 - Senator Shelley Moore Capito, US Senator from West Virginia
- 2017 - Moises Loza
- 2016 - Lisa Mensah
- 2015 - Ben Poage
- 2014 - Congressman Hal Rogers, serving Kentucky's Fifth District
- 2013 - David Dangler, NeighborWorks America Rural Initiatives

Voice of the Region

Awarded by the Fahe Communications Team to Members that have shared their story and collaborated with Fahe to represent the strength and efficacy of our Network to a national audience in pursuit of impactful change in Appalachia.

Previous Winner:

- 2020 – Mary Ellen Judah, Neighborhood Concepts, Inc.
- 2019 – John David, Southern Appalachian Labor School (SALS)



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