

Call for Nominations

The 2010 James Irvine Foundation Leadership Awards ***Advancing Solutions for California's Future***

We are pleased to invite nominations for the 2010 James Irvine Foundation Leadership Awards. **Nominations are due by October 13, 2009, and awards will be announced in April 2010.**

The Awards

The James Irvine Foundation Leadership Awards highlight and support the work of individuals who are advancing innovative and effective solutions to significant state issues. We anticipate making four to six awards in 2010, the program's fifth year. Nominees may be working in any field — such as education, health, housing, economic development or the environment — in the public, private or nonprofit sector.

Award recipients receive \$125,000 for their work to benefit the people of California. At least \$100,000 is designated for core support of the leader's project or organization, and up to \$25,000 may be used for the leader's own professional development. Recipients also receive additional resources for their efforts to share promising approaches to critical state issues with policymakers and practitioners.

Additionally, recipients may apply to a special fund for a grant of up to \$75,000 annually, over one or two years, to communicate to policymakers and practitioners about their effective model.

Past Award Recipients

[Past recipients](#) of The James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award are working in a variety of fields. What they share is a record of implementing innovative and effective approaches to important state issues.

Nomination and Selection Process

We welcome nominations from people who are well-acquainted with the leader or leadership group and can attest to their qualifications. Please see the 2010 [selection criteria](#).

The selection process has [several stages](#) over approximately five months:

- After nominations are received (due October 13, 2009), Irvine staff will conduct an initial review of the nominations and conduct due diligence.
- An independent [Selection Committee](#), composed of nine leading Californians, will review the nominations and develop a list of final candidates.
- Foundation staff and an expert in the nominee's field of work will visit each finalist and his or her organization or project to more deeply understand the nominee's work and leadership.
- The Selection Committee will then select four to six award recipients, who will be announced in April 2010.

Submitting Nomination Materials

We encourage all materials to be submitted online here. The nomination process is intended to be simple. Detailed instructions are provided under [How to Nominate](#).

If you are unable to submit materials online, we will accept completed hard-copy materials mailed to The James Irvine Foundation's San Francisco office by the deadline.

Deadline for Nominations

**Completed nomination materials — either online or mailed submissions — must be received by
5 p.m. PDT on October 13, 2009.**

Questions?

If you have any questions about the awards or nomination process, please contact:

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