

The AFGE Veteran of the year award is to recognize exemplary performance by union members, who are veterans, identified by their Local leadership as having consistently excelled in the Local. The annual winner will receive an all-expense paid trip for two (2) to DC for the Legislative Conference and will be recognized during the plenary session.

ELIGIBILITY

The award is limited to one (1) AFGE member in good standing with their Local and AFGE national. Award winners from previous year(s) are ineligible. AFGE Veteran of the year award recipient will have made a significant impact on the Local through exemplifying outstanding achievements at the Local level, as demonstrated by one or more of the following criteria:

- Advocacy *Political Mobilization and Organizing:* Outstanding support in engaging veteran members in legislative/political activism and membership organizing. Actively involves veterans in congressional meetings, encourages them to act on legislative action alerts, supports AFGE PAC and actively recruits BU personnel to join the Local.
- **Recognition:** Helps execute annual recognition event to highlight the AFGE Veterans program and honor those members who have made significant contributions to further the mission of the union.
- **Mentorship:** Consistently and substantially demonstrates an ability and willingness to inform members of resources, services and opportunities available to veterans.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Each Local President may submit one (1) nomination to their district office by Veterans Day (11Nov – midnight local time) for consideration. NVPs will select a district finalist to submit to the AFGE Veterans Committee, to be voted on at the fall NEC meeting. The winner will be notified by email and AFGE staff will assist with arranging travel and housing for the Legislative Conference.

Required Documentation:

- Nomination materials should consist of no more than a one-page concise narrative letter of support that addresses one or more of the criteria listed above.
- Attach any supporting documents that provide evidence of the nominee's excellence.
- Include nominee's name, military branch and service dates, nominee's Local and agency, and Local Presidents name and contact information.



