

SACRAMENTO VALLEY SECTION



2023 APA AWARDS

2023 SVS Awards Program Informational Session

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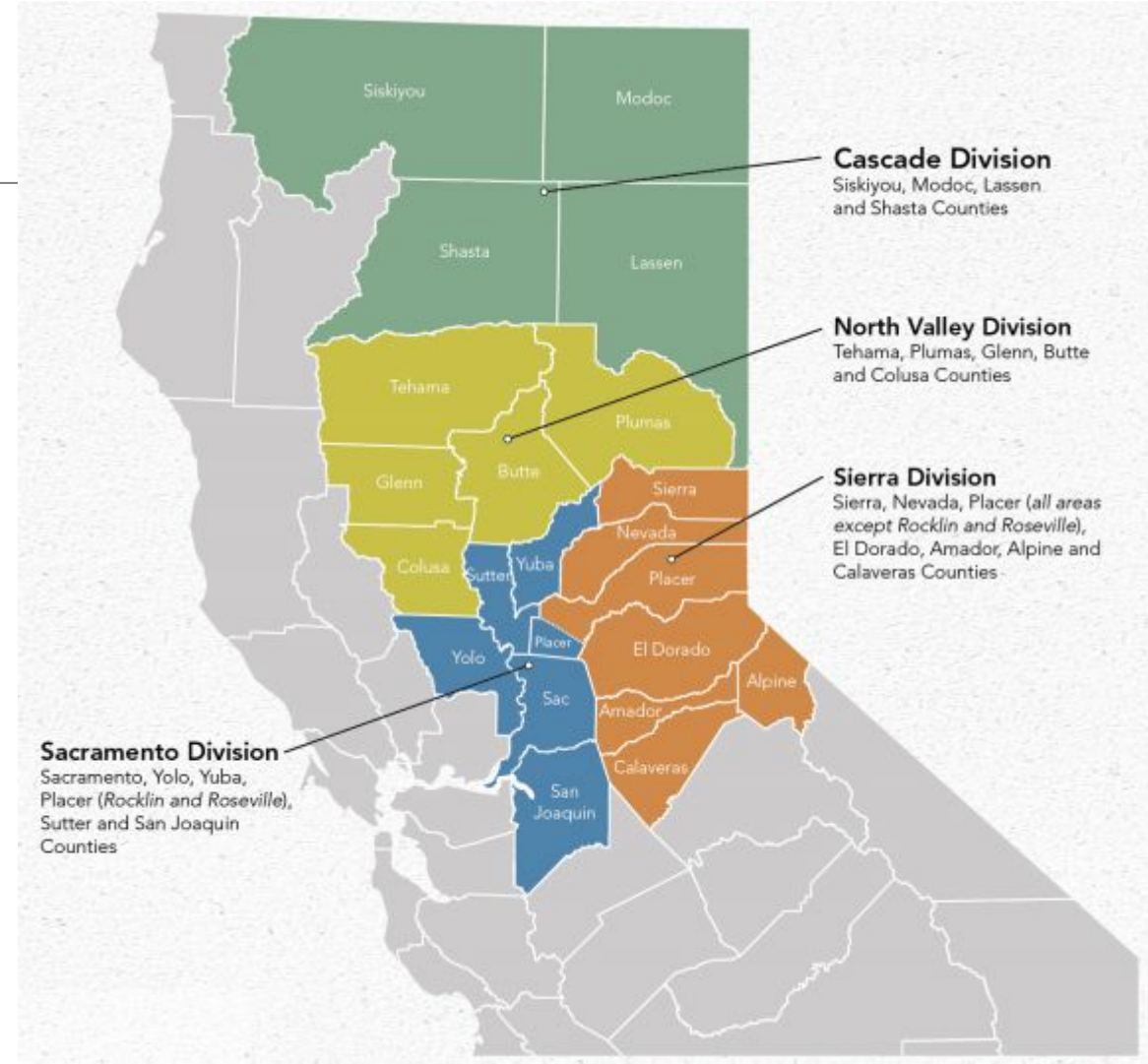
Housekeeping

We are recording today.

Slides will be available on the website after this session.

About SVS

- Sacramento Valley Section of the American Planning Association (SVS APA)
- Our resources and services dedicated to:
 - **Communication** - increasing awareness and involvement in community issues
 - **Education** - providing and contributing to public forums
 - **Advocacy** – implementing decision-making processes
 - **Professionalism** – training and guiding members



About SVS

- Section programs and features include
 - Annual Speaker Series
 - Awards Program
 - Planning + Leadership + Advancement + Networking (PLAN) Program
 - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Subcommittee
 - Young and Emerging Planners Group (YEP) Subcommittee



Sacramento Valley Section

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Why participate in the Awards Program?



An opportunity to **celebrate good planning**



An opportunity to **share best practices**



An opportunity to **elevate hidden gems**



An opportunity to **better represent the wide breadth of planning practices in the section**

How to Participate

Submit a nomination

Serve on the Awards Jury

Share program with
colleagues

Awards Program Process



Nominate a planning project or a planning professional for an award category



Winners are determined by the SVS Jury (except for SVS Legacy Award)



Winners are eligible to apply for a California APA Award



Celebration!

Important Dates

- **February 22, 2023:** Informational Session, 12-1PM (right now!)
- **February 28, 2023:** Technical Assistance Request deadline, 5PM
- **March 10, 2023:** Jury application deadline, 5PM
- **March 17, 2023:** Awards nomination submission deadline, 5PM
- **April 7, 2023:** SVS Awards Jury deliberation, 3-5PM
- **April 14, 2023:** SVS Award Winners notification
- **May 15, 2023:** State Awards application deadline
- **October 2023:** Awards Ceremony

Award Types and Categories

STATE-ELIGIBLE AWARDS (SE)

- 18 award categories
- All require a section win to be eligible for State
- Winners selected by the SVS Awards Jury

SECTION-SPECIFIC AWARDS (SS)

- Unique to SVS (7 total)
 - Local Vision Award (3)
 - Emerging Planner Award (3)
 - Legacy Award (1)
- Not part of State Awards Program
- Local Vision and Emerging Planner Award winners selected by SVS Awards Jury
- Legacy Awards winner selected by SVS Board

State-Eligible Award Categories

- SVS Awards Policy Document (*available on svsapa.org*)
 - Introduction
 - Purpose
 - Alignment with CA Awards
 - Eligibility Requirements
 - Award Categories
 - Nomination Submittal Process
 - Awards Selection Process
 - Criteria for Evaluation
 - Honoring the Award Recipients
- Aligns with 18 State award categories (same description, same criteria)
- Two tiers:
 - Award of Excellence
 - Award of Merit
 - Both eligible for CA Awards (with exceptions)

Section-Specific Award Categories

- Why we have Section-Specific Awards:
 - Ability to celebrate great local planning efforts that may not perfectly fit the eligibility criteria for State-Eligible Awards
 - Past Local Vision Award winners include:
 - San Joaquin Housing Authority
 - West Sacramento's Permanent Supportive Housing Project
 - Plumas County Fire Safety Council
 - Tahoe Central Sierra Initiative
 - Emerging Planner Award recognizes up and coming planners in the Section
 - Legacy Award recognizes planners with a long history of exemplary service to planning and the Section

How to Apply

1. Prepare the following information:

- a) Summary description
- b) Award Criteria
- c) Images
- d) Letters of Support
- e) Project/Plan copy

Section-Specific

State-Eligible

2. Compile prepared information into one PDF

3. Compile photos (jpeg, jpg, png, or zip)

4. Complete the online application form (Jotform)

5. All award criteria, photos, and supporting documents will be submitted with the application via Jotform or Dropbox upload.

Awards Nomination

Deadline

March 17, 2023

5PM

SVS Awards Jury

- Composed of 5 individuals
- Reviews award nominations
- To apply, fill out the online application form
 - Contact information
 - 250-word statement of interest
- Board will select jurors based on applications
- Perks
 - Free ticket to and recognition during Awards Ceremony
 - Gift card/lunch
 - First-hand look at various planning efforts in the region

Jury Application Deadline

March 10, 2023

5PM

Jury Deliberation

April 7, 2023

3-5PM, virtual

SVS Awards Technical Assistance

We are excited to offer technical assistance this year!

Requesting technical assistance:

- Fill out TA Request Form (available on SVS website)
 - Contact information
 - What award you want to apply for
- We will email you a Google Doc to complete with information about your submission.
- We will compile all the information into a complete awards package.
- You submit the online awards application form and upload the awards package we sent you!

Technical Assistance

Request Deadline

February 28, 2023

5PM

TA Questionnaire

Deadline

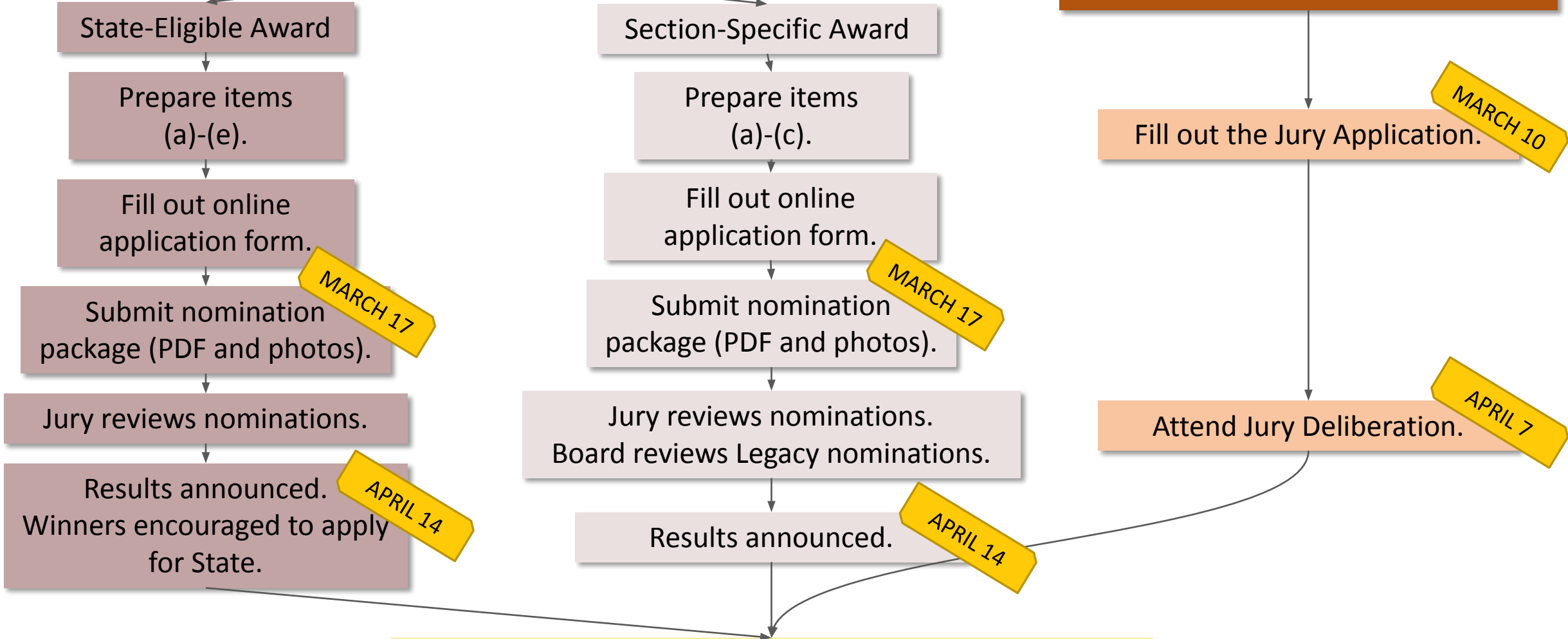
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You are interested in the SVS Awards Program.

You have a nomination in mind.

You don't have a nomination in mind but want to be involved.



Celebrate at the Awards Ceremony!

Questions?

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