



2025 TRPA Distinguished Young Professional Award **Application**

Applications must be submitted by Midnight CDT, Sunday, July 27, 2025
via <https://form.jotform.com/242187387984171>

This award recognizes a young professional that exemplifies the management skills in planning a wide variety of parks and recreation opportunities and activities; whose efforts and commitment to excellence in parks and recreation during the course of the past awards period has set an example that has raised the standards of parks and recreation; and who through leadership, inspiration and incentive has made noteworthy contributions to their local service area and for the association.

SUBMISSION FORMAT: Application packet must include the following for consideration:

Narratives must be a maximum of four (4) pages using the following formatting requirements:

- Double spaced
- Margins on narrow setting (.50 on all sides)
- Font size is Times New Roman, size 12
- Ink color is black
- All narratives must include a header and footer with the following:
 - Header – use three column format with the agency name on the left, project title in the center and 2025 on the right.
 - Footer – use center format with the page number.

• ***Eligibility:***

- Nominee must be an active TRPA member and preferably NRPA.
- Nominee must have served three to five years on the professional level in Parks and Recreation and served in the State of Tennessee at least two consecutive years.
- Certification is preferred. If the nominee is in the process of being certified, please indicate their progress.
- Nominee must not be over 35 years of age.

• ***Additional Requirements or Information:***

- *Narrative* – please include:
 - List memberships in professional organizations, local, state, regional and national levels. Indicate if membership is current or past.
 - List awards, recognitions and honors from professional associations/societies, community groups and the appropriate dates.
 - Attach a biographical statement that best exemplifies the qualities of the nominee during the awards period (detailed information).
- *Photos* - No more than TWO (2) photos of the nominee may be included in digital form.