



Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police

Presents the
“OACP Excellence in Information Technology/Services Award”

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This award is presented in recognition of the accomplishments of policing organizations and community partners that have used/leveraged technology in the development and introduction of a significant change that proved to be “a game changer” for the organization and/or the policing community.

Award winners must identify the project/initiatives, describe the project and outcomes in detail, and clearly demonstrate what is new about the technology used with the project and the impact this project has had to date on the community.

The *Excellence in Information Technology Award* will be presented to the policing organization or community partner that demonstrates excellence in the implementation/usage of new technology. All Ontario policing organizations are eligible for this award.

The award will be presented at the OACP’s 2025 Annual Conference on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at the Blue Mountain Village Conference Centre, Blue Mountains, Collingwood, ON. The recipient will be invited to attend the Awards & Life Members Luncheon to receive the award. The winner will receive an engraved plaque to commemorate the occasion.

Note: Award information is also posted on the [OACP website](#).



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How to Submit a Nomination

All nominations for the “*Excellence in Information Technology/Services Award*” must be submitted in an electronic format suitable for distribution by email to Sharon Seepersad at sharons@oacp.ca. Hard-copy submissions will not be accepted.

Submissions must be received no later than **Friday, March 28th, 2025**.

All nominations for the “*Excellence in Information Technology/Services Award*” must include the following:

- Nominator/nominee information.
- Must be endorsed or supported by the Chief of Police, Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner, or Designate.
- 500-word narrative describing why the nominated individual/organization should be considered for this award.

Optional Video

- If deemed necessary, a 60-second or less video can be submitted to support the nomination.

The Nomination Report:

The nomination report should detail how the policing organization or community partner has used/leveraged technology in the development and introduction of a significant change for the organization and/or the policing community.

When describing a particular program/initiative, include details of the initiative from its inception through its development, design, and implementation stages, and conclude by documenting its impact on the organization and/or the policing community. Statistical data that clearly indicate the initiative’s measurable success should be reported. The nomination should also address whether the project is a one-time initiative or is a sustainable, ongoing program that may enjoy success for years to come.



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Judging and Selection Criteria

Submissions for the “*Excellence in Information Technology/Services Award*” will be reviewed by the OACP Awards and Honours Committee.

The following criteria will be used to assess the nominations:

Innovative Approach - Creates a new, forward-thinking initiative that enhances the organization’s internal and external efficiency.

Impact Upon Community Safety and Satisfaction - Has a measurable or perceived improvement in the community resulted from these efforts?

Overall Quality of the Submission - The nominations should be clear and concise and follow a logical path outlining the efforts and/or initiative in their entirety. Consideration will also be given to the impression left by the reviewing panel regarding the agency’s success.

Rules

1. All nominations must be endorsed by the submitting organization’s Chief of Police, Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner, or Designate.
2. Only one nomination per organization will be accepted.
3. All nominations must be received on or before **Friday, March 28th, 2025.**
4. Nominations must be submitted in an electronic format suitable for transmission via email. It is optional, but you can provide a 60-second or less video of the nominee(s).
5. All materials and information submitted as part of the nomination become the property of the OACP and will not be returned.
6. Only members of an Ontario policing organization or community safety partner may be considered for this award.
7. Although somewhat flexible, the bulk of the activities associated with the work/initiative should have occurred during the year prior to the submission deadline date. It is realized that some initiatives take longer than one year to create, implement, and deliver a measurable impact. Nomination reports should discuss the timing of the initiative and why it has been submitted for consideration at this time.
8. The OACP reserves the right to utilize any portion of any award submission for publication purposes.