



QBS Awards Program

Every year, ACEC and NSPE partner to create the QBS Awards Program. The purpose of the QBS Awards Program is to recognize public and private entities that make exemplary use of the QBS selection process at the state and local levels. In turn, the QBS Award winners provide examples of how well the QBS process works, and helps ACEC and NSPE promote the practice of QBS in states that are not currently using QBS for the selection of engineering services. ACEC and NSPE present a grand QBS award each year in each of two categories. The categories are the Non-Governmental Sector and the Governmental Sector.

Non-Government entities include private corporations, privately-funded research labs, private utility companies, design professionals, construction contractors, developers and any non-government entity that uses design professional services on a regular basis.

Government entities include states, municipalities, local governments, departments or agencies of government, school districts, university systems, public utility systems, research laboratories (if publicly funded), special purpose districts, and the like.

A call for award nominations is usually sent out to the ACEC Member Organizations in December. Following review of the nominations and selection of the winners, the winners are then invited to receive an engraved trophy and will be honored at an awards ceremony at either the ACEC or NSPE Annual Conference.

In addition to the two QBS Awards, the QBS Awards program will designate up to four Merit Award winners, who will be presented a plaque locally, at an event coordinated by the PEPP State Chair and the ACEC Member Organization President.