

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS!



PennFuture is *now accepting nominations* for the  
**Seventh Annual Celebrating Women in Conservation Awards.**

Each year, PennFuture honors the accomplishments of outstanding women conservationists in Pennsylvania. The **2021 Celebrating Women in Conservation Awards** are designed recognize excellence in conservation and to forge a stronger network of women who are deeply committed to working to protect Pennsylvania's environment.

Since its inception in 2015, this event has traveled around the state to different communities to ensure recognition of local leaders, volunteers, and career professionals. **We are pleased to "bring" the 2021 event to Northeastern Pennsylvania** through a virtual/live hybrid online event.



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## **NextEra Energy Resources Presents PennFuture's Celebrating Women in Conservation Awards Event**

Thursday, Sept 9th, 2021 • 6pm

### **PAST HONOREES INCLUDE:**

**2020 Southwest PA** – Leandra Mira, Young Woman of Conservation Leadership; Melissa Reckner, Woman of the Watershed; Raina Rippel, Woman of Environmental Justice; Camila Rivera Tinsley, Woman of Environmental Education; Kirsí Jansa, Woman of Environmental Media, Marketing, and Communications; Ann Rosenthal, Woman of Environmental Arts; Sharon Pillar, Woman of Renewable Energy and Climate; Maren Cooke, Woman of Environmental Community Engagement; Caren Glotfelty, Beverly Braverman, and Patricia DeMarco, Ph.D, Women of Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

**2019 Central PA** - Carol Parenzan, Woman of the Watershed; Susan Stewart, Woman of Climate and Renewable Energy; Lauren Ferreri & Lydia Martin, Women of Environmental Education; Leah Zerbe, Woman of Environmental Media, Marketing, & Communications; Stacy Levy, Woman of Environmental Arts; Kelly Gutshall & Margaret Brittingham, Women of Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

**2018 Southeast PA**- Jaclyn Rhoads & Maya van Rossum, Women of the Watershed; Honorable Donna Bullock, Woman of Environmental Justice; Christina Simeone, Women of Climate and Renewable Energy; Joanne Douglas & Gail Farmer, Women of Engagement and Environmental Education; Liz Robinson, Dulcie Flaharty, & Katy McGinty, Women of Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

**2017 Northeastern PA**- Sue Currier & Amy Wolfe, Women of the Watershed; Katharine Dodge, Woman of Renewable Energy and Climate; Angela Lambert & Diane Madl, Women of Engagement and Environmental Education; Edith Stevens, Woman of Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

**2016 Western PA**- Sister Pat Lupo, Woman of Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

**2015 Central PA**- Cindy Dunn, Woman of Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

## 2021 AWARD CATEGORIES:



- **Woman of the Watershed** –honors an individual who has made a positive impact on water quality in her watershed. Her water quality work may include, but is not limited to, wildlife impacts, macroinvertebrates, land protection, stream buffers, bank rehabilitation, agriculture, water quality studies, and environmental policy.
- **Woman of Environmental Justice** –honors an individual who has devoted her time and energy to defending Black, Indigenous and other People of Color and people living in lower-income areas, who have been the most disproportionately and negatively impacted by pollution. This individual has proven to be a voice for those who may not otherwise be heard, and actively advocates for environmental laws and policies to improve the lives of others in Pennsylvania.
- **Woman of Climate and Renewable Energy** –honors an individual who is dedicated to addressing climate impacts or championing renewable energy efforts. This woman can be active in communities, business, government and science fields. With her skills, this woman has blazed a new trail toward a cleaner, more sustainable energy future for Pennsylvania.
- **Woman of Environmental Education** –honors an individual who has dedicated herself to educating her community about sustainability and environmental policy. She is admired in her community for her passionate commitment to environmental awareness and to educating students and the public.
- **Woman of Environmental Arts**- an individual who has creatively used the arts to bring greater awareness to, or to actively address, environmental issues. Her work may include, but is not limited to, visual arts, music, poetry, fiction, theatre, dance, as well as the curation or promotion of such arts in Pennsylvania.
- **Woman of Environmental Media, Marketing, & Communications** –honors an individual who has established herself as a credible source for presenting the public with information about climate, water issues, environmental stories, and conservation related current events. This woman can be a reporter, blogger, campaign organizer, NGO communications employee, or a communications/ social media volunteer.
- **Young Woman of Conservation Leadership**- honors an upcoming leader in the conservation movement. Her environmental stewardship efforts shine through her work/studies in the environmental field, the environmental field, including being an advocate for ensuring DEIJ becomes a greater focus in the conservation movement, making her a leader in conservation among her peers. Because of young leaders like her there is a bright future for continuing conservation work in Pennsylvania. This woman must be 21 years of age or younger.
- **Woman with Lifetime Achievement in Conservation** –celebrates the lifetime accomplishments of a remarkable woman who has made a difference by devoting significant parts of her life to protecting and enhancing Northeastern Pennsylvania’s natural greatness and for her tireless dedication to environmental advocacy and justice. Nominees should have dedicated at least 25 years of work to conservation in Pennsylvania.

## ELIGIBILITY:

This event honors women in Pennsylvania whose achievements and contributions in business, government, communications, community service, environmental justice, advocacy, science, or education have led to identifiable benefits for the environment and the conservation movement. This year, nominations will shine a light on Northeastern Pennsylvania. **Those nominated must live and/or work in the following counties:**

**Bradford, Carbon, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Luzerne, Monroe, Northampton, Pike, Schuylkill, Sullivan,**

**Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming counties.** Individuals may

nominate up to eight women, including themselves, with one nomination per category. To submit a nomination, complete this form and send it along with up to two letters of recommendation to [dinicola@pennfuture.org](mailto:dinicola@pennfuture.org) **no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.**



## 2021 WIC NOMINATION FORM



**Award Nomination (check one):**

- Woman of the Watershed
- Woman of Environmental Justice
- Woman of Climate and Renewable Energy
- Woman of Environmental Education
- Woman of Environmental Arts
- Woman of Environmental Media, Marketing, and Communications
- Young Woman of Conservation Leadership
- Woman with Lifetime Achievement in Conservation

**Name of Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** PA **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Recommendation Letter (Required):** Please explain why you are nominating this individual for a 2021 Celebrating Women in Conservation Award. Include a detailed description of the nature of the nominee's work, the nominee's achievements, and impacts on Pennsylvania's environment, her community involvement and partnerships, and your assessment of her theory and commitment to change.

**All nominations forms MUST be filled out completely AND at least ONE letter of recommendation to be considered.** Please complete and return this form and up to two letters of recommendation per nomination to PennFuture's Director of Development, Travis DiNicola, at [dinicola@pennfuture.org](mailto:dinicola@pennfuture.org) with the subject line, "Women in Conservation Nominee" by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 8th. You can also mail the form to: Travis DiNicola, PennFuture, 610 N. Third St., Harrisburg, PA 17101.



If you have any questions, please contact Travis DiNicola at 717-214-7924 or [dinicola@pennfuture.org](mailto:dinicola@pennfuture.org).

**NOMINATION DEADLINE:** Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 2021