



Calista Corporation Annual Shareholder Award Categories and Eligibility Criteria

Calista Corporation announces the 2026 Calista Annual Shareholder Awards. Each award recipient selected by the Board of Directors receives a plaque and a \$1,500.00 (one thousand five hundred) monetary award.

The Calista Shareholder Awards are focused on Calista Shareholders and Descendants, and are open to Shareholders and Descendants living within and outside of the Calista Region. Award nominees must currently be living and not have any significant legal judgments (convicted of a felony, crimes involving harm to children, adjudged to have committed a fraud, etc.).

Award recipients may be considered for the annual AFN President's Awards at the discretion of Calista's Board of Directors. Recipients must complete and return a W9 tax form and Calista Release of Liability form.

Nominations for the following categories must be received, via fax, email or mail, by Calista no later than the annual published deadline. The deadline is 5 p.m. (Alaska) March 20, 2026. Calista is not responsible for lost, damaged or delayed mail, fax or other delivery services.

A Nomination Form and Selection Criteria for the Awards may be obtained from Calista via fax (907-275-2922), email (media@calistacorp.com) or mail (Calista Annual Shareholder Awards, 5015 Business Park Blvd, Suite 3000, Anchorage AK 99503).

Award Categories are as follows:

- **Calista Culture Bearer**
- **Axel C. Johnson Distinguished Shareholder**
- **Calista Elder of the Year**
- **Calista Youth/Educator of the Year**
- **Raymond C. Christiansen Business of the Year**

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Calista Culture Bearer:

This award celebrates a Shareholder or Descendant who plays a significant role in preserving and promoting the arts. This can include involvement in theater, music, dance, painting, sculpture, storytelling, or as an administrator or preserver of Calista Region cultures.

Axel C. Johnson Distinguished Shareholder:

Honoring those who go above and beyond to improve the lives of Calista Shareholders and Descendants. Contributions may include areas such as healthcare, environmental stewardship, subsistence practices, suicide prevention, and more.

Calista Elder of the Year:

Recognizing a Shareholder Elder who embodies the highest Native values. This individual has served as a leader, educator, and cultural preserver, making a lasting impact on Calista Shareholders and Descendants. Elders must be 65 years or older by the nomination deadline.

Calista Youth/Educator of the Year:

This award highlights the achievements of a Shareholder or Descendant committed to improving educational opportunities for Alaska Natives. Nominees may be involved in traditional or formal education, from preschool to postsecondary levels, and can include students, educators, and education-related professionals.

Raymond C. Christiansen Business of the Year:

Recognizing a business owner or manager who demonstrates success and commitment to improving economic opportunities for Calista Shareholders and Descendants.



**Calista Corporation Annual Shareholder
Awards 2026 Nomination Form**

Your Information

Date	
Your name	
Your organization (if any)	
Your phone number and fax number	
Your address	
Your email address (if any)	
Award category (one per nomination form)	

Nominee Information

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone	Cell	
Tribe		
Email		
Has Nominee ever been convicted of a crime, or adjudged to have committed fraud (Search records.courts.alaska.gov)	Yes	No

Once completed, please submit via fax (907-275-2922), email (media@calistacorp.com) or through the mail (Calista Annual Shareholder Awards, 5015 Business Park Blvd, Suite 3000, Anchorage AK 99503). **2026 nominations must be received, via fax, email or mail, by Calista no later than 5 p.m. (Alaska) on March 20, 2026.** Calista is not responsible for lost, damaged or delayed mail, fax or other delivery services.

Please type or write your nomination in the fields below. Please include specific examples.

Please email 2 – 4 high-quality photos to the address above (media@calistacorp.com). Photos should be at least 500KB in size, from a digital camera or a relatively new smart phone like an iPhone X or newer, Galaxy S20 or newer, etc. *Photos should not be downloaded.*

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Family Information (Where born, Parents/Grandparents, Siblings, etc.)

Community, State and/or National Activities (Committees, Boards, Councils, Volunteering, etc.)

Education, Training, Skills

Nominee's Quotes

Biography or more information