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2017 Award Nomination

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Date: 9-8-2017	Category: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Achievement <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Contribution to the Profession <input type="checkbox"/> GIS Champion <input type="checkbox"/> You Tube Sensation <input type="checkbox"/> UAV Innovation <input type="checkbox"/> Geospatial Applications Program (<i>skip to entry form below</i>)
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Sector: <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Government <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Government <input type="checkbox"/> Private (For Profit) <input type="checkbox"/> Private (non-Profit) <input type="checkbox"/> Academic	Functional Area: <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Response <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please note) _____ GIS _____

Narrative Description of Contribution. (Attach separate file or pages as necessary.)

Throughout her career Cheryl Benjamin has displayed unwavering commitment to promoting spatial data and the relationships necessary to sustain it. Her tireless efforts have earned Cheryl the respect of partners in all levels of government, and among peers nationwide. Cheryl is well recognized as a top national leader in addressing and spatial data in support of 9-1-1 systems.

Cheryl has forged relationships with the US Census Bureau, and maintains a regular flow of communication and data.

Cheryl joined the National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC) NG9-1-1 Committee and the Address Committee, and later was asked to be NSGIC's Liaison to the National Emergency Number Association (NENA). Cheryl was later elected to the NSGIC Board of Directors. Cheryl co-chairs the NENA NG9-1-1 GIS Data Model Standard, and Site/Structure Address Point GIS Data for 9-1-1 Standard committees. Cheryl also chairs the NENA Civic Location Data Exchange Format Standard committee. In 2016 Cheryl was awarded the NENA Volunteer of the Year.

Cheryl's activities on the national stage have made her all the more effective here in New York. Cheryl has built relationships with the entire 9-1-1 community of the state as well as every addressing authority. Every county voluntarily participates in the Street Address Maintenance (SAM) program which Cheryl leads.

From her days as a Mapping Technician in the Cartography Unit of the Mapping Services Bureau, to her national leadership role, Cheryl's attention to detail, and work ethic have made her contributions truly extraordinary.



2017 NYS Geospatial Applications Awards Competition Entry Form

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Required Information

Sponsoring Organization: NYS ITS GIS Program Office

Stakeholder/Participant List (by Organization):

Cheryl Benjamin
Office of Information Technology Services
Public Safety cluster
GIS Program Office

Title: Cheryl Benjamin – Lifetime Achievement Award

Abstract:

Statement of the Problem: Response to the Problem:

Results: Return on Investment/Cost-Benefit Analysis.

Key Participants: (Name, Organization, Title)

URL (if applicable): <http://gis.ny.gov/streets/>

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Deadline & Submission Information

The deadline for entries is Friday, September 8th, 2017. Please email this completed template to the NYSGISA Awards Committee at nygis77@gmail.com, with “**GIS Applications: [Name of Submitting Organization]**” in the message Subject line.

Thank you for your submission and Good Luck!