



NINTH ANNUAL ESSAY CONTEST ***“The Power of Performance”***

This contest is open to all Regular FAPPO members excluding current Officers.

As in all professions, Public Procurement Officials want our industry members recognized and viewed as professionals at what we do. FAPPO as well as other Public Procurement Organizations have made great strides in promoting this effort in recent years. Moving forward, what should Public Procurement Officials be doing to make this a known reality? How should we, as government agency officials conduct ourselves within the profession? What should Public Procurement professionals be doing to demonstrate “The Power of Performance”?

The essay should focus on this theme and you are free to be as imaginative as you desire. I know there are some very interesting stories out there just waiting to fascinate our membership.

Contestants must submit a 900 – 1000 word essay that is double-spaced in an Adobe PDF or MS Word document. Please ensure that the essay includes the author’s name, entity address, phone number, email and a signed statement giving unrestricted publishing rights to FAPPO.

Essay entries must be submitted to Laurie A. Victory, FAPPO Vice President via email lvictory204@gmail.com or mail to c/o Lee County BoCC, Procurement Management, 1500 Monroe Street, 4th Floor, by **February 19, 2018**. Please email any questions to Laurie A. Victory.

The current FAPPO Officers based on originality, message/content focus, clarity and grammar will judge essays. The winner and runners-up will be announced at the Annual FAPPO Conference, May 22-26, 2018 in Orlando, FL. The winning author will receive \$300 in Participation Credits and runner ups will receive \$25.00 in Participation Credits.

Participation Credits may be used to help defray the costs for registration and lodging at the official host hotel for the **current year’s conference**. FAPPO will reimburse the agency or member who has made the payment, in the event your registration and/or official host hotel lodging has been paid for prior to receiving award notice.

GOOD LUCK!