

The Ohio Geographically Referenced Information Program announces the 2013 GIS Best Practices Awards

The OGRIP Best Practices Award was created to recognize organizations in Ohio that have or are implementing GIS in a manner consistent with OGRIP's goals and objectives. OGRIP encourages your organization to consider submitting an application for your GIS program. If you know of other outstanding GIS programs deserving recognition, please forward the information to them. To be considered, responses must be submitted to the OGRIP office by **August 2, 2013**. The evaluation criteria listed on this form should be carefully considered within the following sections of your submission. These five sections of the application packet should be completed in their entirety to be considered for this award. Please limit your responses to the following sections of the application packet to no more than eight pages total and prepare your submission in the format described. This will allow the selection committee to accurately and fairly judge all submissions.

Evaluation Criteria

1. Embraces the goals and objectives of OGRIP (as defined in the OGRIP strategic plan).
 - a) The GIS program demonstrates an enterprise-wide approach and community resource perspective. This approach and perspective can be demonstrated in a variety of manners. One such manner is to be multi-participant in nature, which is defined as taking into account other user's needs and providing multi-participant involvement through interaction of funding.
 - b) The GIS program supports and facilitates data sharing through an increase in interaction between entities.
 - c) The GIS program demonstrates the use of GIS as an analysis and decision support tool.
2. Demonstrates the integration of GIS and spatial data into daily operations of the program. This integration can be at a departmental, divisional, office-wide or consortium-wide level of participation.

Awards will be presented during the annual Ohio GIS Conference held from September 11-13, 2013 at the Columbus Marriott Northeast, 5605 Blazer Parkway, Dublin, Ohio 43017.

For additional information about the Ohio GIS Conference, please contact Jennifer Shuey, County Engineers' Association of Ohio (CAEO) at 614-221-0707, or via the web at: <http://www.ceao.org> or at the OGRIP website at:

<http://ogrip.oit.ohio.gov/Events/OhioGISConference.aspx>.

2012 Award Winners

Appalachian Ohio Geospatial Data Partnership
City of Lancaster GIS, City of Lancaster IT/Telecom
Montgomery County Environmental Services GIS
City of Newark, div. of Water & Wastewater, GIS and
Asset Management Program

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. **GIS Program Description** – a general description of the main features of the GIS program including the following subheadings:
 - a. **Overall Purpose or Objective of GIS Program** – Describe the main objective of the GIS program and provide the mission statement.
 - b. **Funding Approach (short & long-term)** – Describe the funding mechanism and structure from the start-up of the GIS program and the mechanisms to ensure continuation of the program in the future.
 - c. **GIS Program Participants & Roles** – Identify all participant organizations and their roles and responsibilities as a participant.
 - d. **Organizational Structure** – Describe the current organizational structure for managing the GIS program from a policy and technical standpoint.
 - e. **History & Background** – Provide a brief history or background of how the GIS initiative evolved into an actual program.
2. **GIS Program Scope and Approach** – a description of the scope and breadth of the program including the following subheadings:
 - a. **Implementation** – Describe the approach taken for implementation.
 - b. **Maintenance** – Describe how the program is addressing maintenance and technology integration.
 - c. **Data Information** – Describe the data layer and data level structure, data sets created, data sets shared, data distribution, hardware/software platforms supported and network/communication.
 - d. **Schedule** – Detail the schedule and status of activities for this program.
3. **Benefits of the GIS Program** – a description of the tangible and intangible benefits of the program including the following subheadings:
 - a. **Success Factors** – Define the success factors and/or measurements.
 - b. **Benefits** – Describe the tangible and intangible benefits of the program.
 - c. **Major Applications** – Describe the major applications developed and currently in use as well as their perceived benefits.
 - d. **Uses** – Provide instance of the use of GIS as a decision support tool for the program.
4. **Future Direction and Objectives** – a description of the future direction of the program including the following subheadings:
 - a. **Future Direction** – Describe the future direction of the application and the future technology integration of the GIS program.
 - b. **New Participants** – Describe any possible new participants and/or integration of external data sources.
5. **Summary** – a description of the reasons why the GIS program meets and/or exceeds the goals and objectives of OGRIP and why it should be recognized as a site of excellence in Ohio for GIS.

Please submit the completed application packet to:

OGRIP

77 S. High Street, 19th Floor

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Attention: OGRIP GIS Best Practices Committee



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2013 GIS Best Practices Awards – Application Form

GIS Program Name:	
Implementing or Lead Organization:	
Point of Contact:	
Title:	
Address:	
City:	
State:	
Zip:	
Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	
Employees or Key Personnel:	
Category/Subcategory: 1) <i>Government/Quasi-Government</i> 2) <i>Private Sector/Academia</i>	

Program Coverage Characteristics	
Coverage (Square Miles):	
Estimated Number of Parcels:	
Population:	
Customers Served:	

Submission Deadline – 08/02/13